

# Amherst County High School

## Chorus Syllabus

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### Course Description:

This course emphasizes singing and performing techniques, beginning theory, analysis of music and the development of basic vocal technique. A general overview of music development through history and careers in music will also be studied. Participation in a concert performance is a requirement for the class grade. Students will learn proper breath support, good posture and diction. A variety of choral literature and songs in foreign languages will be studied.

### Course Objectives:

The student will...

1. Analyze, interpret, and evaluate choral music.
2. Formulate and justify personal responses to music.
3. Identify and demonstrate collaboration skills and concert etiquette as a performer.
4. Explore historical and cultural influences of music.
5. Identify career options in music and discuss the future of music-related careers.
6. Demonstrate music literacy.
7. Demonstrate vocal techniques and choral skills.
8. Identify and demonstrate expressive qualities of choral music.

### Classroom Expectations:

1. Be on time. (I am counting tardies.)
2. Be prepared. (Have your music and pencil ready.)
3. Be respectful. (Treat others the way you want to be treated.)
4. Do your best! (That's all I ask of you.)

### Consequences for behavior:

- Verbal Warning
- Student-teacher Conference
- Parental Contact
- Written Referral

### Makeup Work Policy:

You may turn in missing assignments by communicated deadline and receive full credit for the assignment.

**Academic Requirements:** You will earn one unit of academic credit with a passing grade in chorus.

60%  
Mastery of Content  
(Understanding of Content)

40%  
Measure of Progress  
(Effort and Completion)

### Concert Dates:

December 5, 2023 - Winter Choral Concert 7pm ACHS Auditorium

May 7, 2024 - Spring Choral Concert 7pm ACHS Auditorium

### Concert attire:

All students are requested to wear black top/shirt and black bottoms. This is a formal event so please dress accordingly. If you have specific questions or needs, please let me know.