ABRHS Chorus & Vocal Dept

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CHORUS
BELLA VOCE
CHAMBER CHOIR
MADRIGAL SINGERS

The ABRHS Choral & Vocal Department is comprised of four ensembles: Chorus, Bella Voce, Chamber Choir, and Madrigal Singers.

Our program is based on Connection, Community & Artistic Expression.

CHORUS: For all students in grades 9-12 who want to sing! This un-auditioned mixed-voice ensemble sings modern and well-known songs with focus on vocal training. A great way to sing every other day in a fun and relaxed community (Size 50-70 singers NO AUDITION)

BELLA VOCE: Sopranos & Altos in grades 9-12 by audition. Bella Voce is an auditioned ensemble comprised of treble-voiced singers looking to sing advanced 3-4 part treble vocal music at a sophisticated performance level. (Size 20-24 by Audition)

CHAMBER CHOIR: Mixed-voices in grades 10-12 by audition. This is a larger mixed-voice chamber ensemble for students who are vocally and musically ready for advanced choral repertoire. (Size 44-48 singers by Audition)

MADRIGAL SINGERS: Mixed-voices in grades 9-12, by audition in late May. Our smallest chamber vocal ensemble that sings advanced, unaccompanied repertoire. Singers in this ensemble demonstrate a highly developed vocal ability, and sing in all school concerts as well as many outside performances. Students must also sing in Chamber Choir or play in Band or Orchestra. (Size 20-22 singers by Audition)

Audition Information on back!

Students in the ABRHS Choral & Vocal Dept. sing & perform as well as participate in a number of other activities. Our members are involved with athletics, student government, academic teams, music festivals, perform in theatrical productions, play in the Band and Orchestra, work after school jobs, sing in a cappella groups and volunteer to name a few! Our students find it possible to balance their academic schedules while making sure they include a chance to be creative during the school day. ***Join us... you won't regret it!***

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~ Audition Information ~

Chorus auditions will take place in the HS Chorus Room (106N) during two times:

- Periods 4&5 Monday, March 4 – Friday, March 8
- Afterschool 3-4pm Monday, March 4 – Wednesday, March 6

Auditions are for Bella Voce & Chamber Choir ONLY.
Students do not need to audition to join or continue singing with Chorus.

MUSIC:

- Pick a short phrase from a piece of music that shows the range of your voice. It can be in any style/genre, with or without accompaniment.

- HS students not currently in chorus who don't have periods 4&5 free may email Ms. Moss to schedule a time to audition if they're not available afterschool.

SCALES: In addition to your song, you will be asked to sing an ascending & descending major scale, starting on the following pitches.

Soprano – G above middle C
Alto - D above middle C
Tenor - F below middle C
Bass - Ab an octave below middle C

RUBRIC: Below are the elements and skills we are listening for:

- **Melodic Accuracy** – Are the pitches correct?

- **Rhythmic Accuracy** – Are the rhythms being sung with a steady tempo and groove?

- **Intonation** – Is the music being sung with solid intonation/is it "in tune" (not sharp or flat)?

- **Tone** – Does the voice have a resonant and mature sounding quality? Is it a good volume?

- **Musicianship** (phrasing, diction, dynamics, delivery) – Is the singer delivering the song? Are they emoting the text, using proper diction and phrasing, giving attention to dynamics?

- **Commitment/Engagement in Rehearsals** – Is the student currently engaged in rehearsals giving maximum effort, on time to class, do they use good singing technique and posture in rehearsals, do they demonstrate a committed attitude, etc.?

- **Pitch-Matching** – Students will sing back a few melodic phrases on 'doo'.

Rosters will be posted on mossmusicnews.org after 8pm on Friday, March 8