

# ~ ABRHS Choral Ensembles ~

The ABRHS Choral Program offers a number of singing opportunities for students interested in singing. There are four curricular choruses that meet during the school day – these are listed below. By organizing our choruses in four ensembles (two audition and two non-audition), the number of students per chorus is evenly distributed allowing each chorus to sing repertoire that appropriately challenges singers at each stage.

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- **La Cappella:** Sopranos & Altos grades 9 & 10. Focused on building the fundamentals of singing at the HS level. Veteran 10<sup>th</sup> grade singers will act as ‘choral ambassadors’ for new 9<sup>th</sup> grade singers. This large ensemble sings advanced treble choral repertoire in 3-4 vocal parts. (Size 45-65 singers)

- **Concert Choir:** Tenors & Basses grades 9-12 & Sopranos & Altos grades 10-12, (grade 10 Sop & Alto by audition only). This SATB ensemble sings select choral music for a large ensemble with focus on vocal training, rehearsal technique, and music reading. (Size 45-65 singers)

- **Chamber Choir:** Grades 10-12, by audition. This is a larger SATB chamber ensemble for students who are vocally and musically ready for smaller chamber choral repertoire, and who also demonstrate a strong work ethic and commitment during rehearsals. Members must have sung in the AB choral program for at least one year (exceptions will be made for incoming students accepted into Madrigals). (Size 52-54 singers)

- **Madrigal Singers:** Grades 9-12, by audition in late May. This is our smallest chamber ensemble, repertoire is unaccompanied, and singers demonstrate a highly developed vocal ability. 5 credit class, a rigorous schedule with many outside performances. Students must also sing in Chamber Choir and/or play in Band. (Size 24 singers)

**\*All incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade Sopranos & Altos should register for La Cappella, and all incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade Tenors & Basses should register for Concert Choir.**

\*\*ABRHS also has a number of after-school, student-directed contemporary a cappella groups. Visit Moss Music News for information on these music clubs.

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