
COURSE DESCRIPTION**Subject: PERFORMANCE CHOIR****Grade: 7 – 8****OVERVIEW:**

Performance Choir is a class for selected students that meet three days a week for an entire year. The class is designed and intended for students with advanced vocal abilities, yet may not have any prior experience or knowledge of reading music. The focus of the Performance Choir class is to perform various styles of music (ranging anywhere from classical to popular), while also building upon and expanding their musical knowledge and vocal ability by introducing them to ear training, harmonies, note intervals, and basic notation.

BIBLICAL INTERGRATION:

1. "But at midnight, Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them." -Acts 16:25
2. "But let the righteous be glad: Let them rejoice before God: Yes, let them rejoice exceedingly! Sing to God, sing praises to His name..." -Psalms 68:3-4

UNIT DESCRIPTION:

1. BASIC NOTATION AND MUSICAL TERMS: Understanding simple musical notation as well as basic musical terms that are necessary with musical interpretation
2. EAR TRAINING AND NOTE INTERVALS: Hearing the difference between the different pitches and be able to decipher whether the notes are flat, sharp, or in tune, and also being able to hear a specific interval between notes.
3. HARMONIES: Singing notes within a certain chord structure
4. PERFORMANCE: Taking all the learned musical concepts and expressing them in a prepared song

STUDENT MATERIALS:

Music

TEACHER MATERIALS:

Piano or recorded accompaniment tracks
Various music selections