

Lenape Select Ensemble Contract – 2020/21

Welcome to Lenape's Select Choral Ensemble program! This year promises to be very different than any other year, however I hope to provide a rewarding musical experience for everyone despite the challenges. The following guidelines comprise the details of your contract.

POLICIES

1. Select choir rehearsals will be held in the Lenape Auditorium. Please enter through the stage door at your designated rehearsal time.
2. Students must wear a mask at all times and remain a minimum of 6 ft. apart before, during, and after rehearsal. Seats will be assigned at the first select choir rehearsal.
3. Do not attend rehearsal if you are feeling ill or are experiencing symptoms of COVID.
4. Rehearsal time is short. Make the best of the time we have. Your music, a pencil, **a water bottle**, your laptop and a positive attitude are required.
5. Sharing music will not be permitted. You will receive one paper copy of the music for your personal use, as well as a digital copy via our CANVAS course.
6. **Cell phone use is prohibited during rehearsal.** When you arrive at rehearsal, turn your cell phone off.
7. Restroom use during rehearsal is discouraged – however, if an emergency arises you will need to sign out on your school laptop in the same manner that you do during the school day. You must use only the designated bathroom. Students are not permitted to wander the halls during Chamber Choir.
8. Disrespectful behavior towards another choir member or Mrs. Rogers will not be tolerated.
 - a. If you choose to be disrespectful you will be given one warning by Mrs. Rogers. (This includes unauthorized cell phone use)
 - b. If you continue to be disrespectful you will be told to call your parents to pick you up early as you will be kicked out of rehearsal for the night.
5. All school rules apply when we are at rehearsal and at performances. This includes dress code guidelines, public displays of affection, cell phone use, and use of profanity.

As a member of a Lenape Select Choral Ensemble you are a spotlight in the community. Each member is a delegate of the school and should therefore demonstrate appropriate behavior in or out of uniform.

ATTENDANCE

Our choir performs at its best when all of its members are present. Attendance at all rehearsals and performances is encouraged. If you are not able to attend rehearsal due to COVID symptoms or other reasons – please attend remotely, when possible. If attending remotely is not possible, take time to review your music before our next in-person rehearsal so that the choir can continue to progress.

UNIFORMS

CHAMBER CHOIR UNIFORM A - FORMAL

- BOYS –Black dress shoes, black socks. The school will provide a black button-down dress shirt, red necktie, and black pants.
- GIRLS – Black dress shoes. The school will provide a red short-sleeved blouse and black skirt.

CHAMBER CHOIR UNIFORM B – CASUAL Blue or black jeans paired with a Lenape Chamber Choir Polo shirt - \$21.00 – an order form will be provided on the first day of rehearsal

WOMEN'S ENSEMBLE UNIFORM – Black dress shoes. The school will provide a red short-sleeved blouse and black skirt.

MEN'S ENSEMBLE UNIFORM – Black dress shoes, black socks. The school will provide a black button down dress shirt, red necktie, and black pants.

FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS

In a typical year, select choirs participate in numerous festivals and activities that carry a participation fee. These fees go towards the operation costs of each festival (hiring guest conductors, student meals, transportation, etc.) Normally, participants would submit a fall and spring payment to cover these costs. With the unpredictable nature of this year – choir fees, when necessary, will be charged as we go.

CANVAS CLASSES FOR SELECT CHOIR

All students in a select choir will be invited to join a Canvas Class for each ensemble that s/he participates in. Students are required to accept this invitation. On that Canvas page students will be able to access learning tracks for all of our select choir repertoire. Mrs. Rogers will communicate to students ahead of time, what will be rehearsed each day so that students can prepare by learning the notes and rhythms prior to rehearsal. Students who are consistently unprepared for rehearsal will be asked to test on their music.

Communication

Text Alerts - You can sign up for text alerts by following these simple instructions.

YOU MUST DO THIS EVERY YEAR. LAST YEAR'S REMIND GROUP HAS BEEN ARCHIVED.

Text the code for your ensemble to this number 81010.

Chamber Choir @6af84a

Women's Ensemble @6af84ad

Text alerts are a one-way communication from Mrs. Rogers to choir members. They will be used for unexpected cancelled rehearsals and last-minute reminders. Standard text messaging fees will apply.

CONCLUSION

The Lenape Select Choral program is a place where we can have fun, learn, and work cooperatively with others. In order to be successful we have to be disciplined and put forth our best effort. I put in 100% and I expect each member to do the same. If we all do our best, this year will be a positive and productive experience. This is just a written reminder of the respectful and constructive behavior that we should all exhibit anyway.

Select Choir Parent Mtgs.

Please attend one of the information meetings listed below. All meetings will be held VIRTUALLY via TEAMS.

THURSDAY, NOV. 6TH – 6 PM

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 11TH – 3 PM

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 11TH – 6:15 PM