



Dear Parents,

Congratulations! I am Alyssa Maas, your child's choir teacher! Your child had chosen to participate or continue to participate in the Bud Rank Concert Choir. This year will be filled with exciting and challenging music, performances and events. The Bud Rank Concert Choir is here to not only to create excellent singers, but also excellent musicians. My goal for your children this year is for them to learn the about the literature they are singing and prepare them for junior high school singing; should they choose to continue with music. Being a part of choir comes with responsibility. Please read this letter carefully so that you and your child understand their responsibilities.

**Choir meets from 1:45-3:15 on Tuesdays and 11:00-12:30 on Thursdays**

**Performance/Activity Schedule**

- CUSD Fall Festival –November 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> (BR only attends 1 day)
- Winter Concert – December 11<sup>th</sup>
- CUSD Spring Festival – March 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> (BR only attends 1 day)
- Spring Concert – May 21<sup>st</sup>
- Community Concert TBA

**Block Points:** If your child is trying to receive the prestigious Block BR award, Concert Choir can help achieve that goal. This year there have been some changes and students participating in choir will receive either an O, S or N as part of their regular class grades.

- To receive an O, your child must attend all performances, participate in class and have good classroom behavior.
- To receive an S, your child would have missed one concert, have some classroom participation and have minimal classroom behavioral problems.
- To receive an N, your child will have missed two or more performances, not participated in class and have had several classroom behavioral problems.

Please note that choir is a **year long** commitment and a student **cannot quit** choir or switch into band or orchestra due to lack of instruments.

**Choir Uniform:** The Concert Choir uniform must be worn to all performances unless otherwise stated. The uniform consists of the following.

- **Boy** – Navy blue slacks and a navy blue necktie
- **Girls** – Navy blue jumper and hair ribbon

The items listed above will be checked out for the year to students participating in choir. Uniforms will be collected at the end of the year.

Donated Items:

- Boys light blue button down; long sleeve
- Girls light blue button down; long sleeve
- Girls navy tights
- Gently used closed toe black dress shoes (girls and/or boys)

If you are able to donate any of these items please contact Ms. Maas

**Behavior in Class:** Due to the large numbers of students in choir, it is necessary to be on our best behavior at all times. My expectations are high so I expect each student to be on task at all times and use good judgment when making decisions. To ensure a smooth rehearsal, the following steps will be taken:

- **First Offense:** Warning
- **Second Offense:** Call home, Conduct Referral

**Parent Participation:** One of the most important aspects of the success of our choir is the support of parents! Thank you in advance for making sure your child is at all performances dressed and ready. I am also always looking for parent chaperones for the trips we take. I would be delighted to have your help!

Your children are wonderful young people full of energy! I am very excited to have them as members of the Bud Rank Concert Choir and am looking forward to what this year will bring. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 327-4900, or email me at [alyssamaas@cusd.com](mailto:alyssamaas@cusd.com).

Sincerely,

Alyssa Maas

Please return the bottom of this form.

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Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Method of Communication: (circle one) Email or Phone

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to help with uniforms.

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to chaperone for trips.