



Hello WMS Choir Families!

It's March Madness and the WMS Choirs are celebrating victories and preparing for more exciting performances! This newsletter includes several very important announcements. Please read everything carefully and respond accordingly.

NEWSLETTER IN A NUTSHELL

6th Grade & Madrigals Concert Date (Tuesday, March 19)

District Choral Festival Success!!!!

State Choral Festival (May 6 or 7 - Tentative*)

2nd Annual SING-A-THON (Saturday, May 18th)



MARCH CONCERT DATE & DETAILS

6th Grade & Madrigals: Tuesday, March 19th

All students should **arrive by 5:45** wearing **ALL BLACK** formal concert attire in Lars Hockstad Auditorium at Central Grade School. The performance will begin at 6:30 and end by 7:15 or sooner.

DISTRICT CHORAL FESTIVAL SUCCESS!!!! (7TH & 8TH GRADE ONLY)

On Tuesday, February 27th @ Central High School, the 7th & 8th Grade Students performed at the MSVMA District 2 Choral Festival. They received the highest / most consistent scores of any choirs I've directed in my 20 years of teaching and some of the highest scores in the state of Michigan!

GO TITANS! Out of a possible 480 points, the WMS Choirs combined for a whopping 470!!!!

Detailed scores are on the next page. Audio Recording Links: [7th Grade Treble Choir](#),

[8th Grade Treble Choir](#), [7th & 8th Grade Tenor/Bass Choir](#), [Madrigal Singers](#)

SECOND ANNUAL SING-A-THON - SATURDAY, MAY 18TH 🎸 🎹 🥁 🎤

Details for this event, including exact times and locations, are still being finalized. Stay tuned for more information. It will most likely be from noon-6:00 at Lars/Central Grade with specific blocks of time during that six hours for certain grades/classes to be in attendance to perform solos, duets, trios, quartets, and other small & large ensembles, as well as a few large choir performances. Most songs will be selected by students with teacher approval happening before spring break to allow for plenty of practice time. We might also be pursuing the possibility of hosting this event down by the bay! This will be a fundraising event with more details available soon and we might even have a few special guest performers and food available. It's gonna be a ton of FUN! Attire is blue jeans and t-shirt. 👖 👕



7th Grade Treble Choir								
Performance	Tone Quality	Pitch	Rhythm	Diction	Interpretation	Presentation	Out of 30	
Judge 1	4	5	5	5	4	5	28	
Judge 2	5	5	5	4	5	5	29	
Judge 3	5	5	5	4	5	5	29	
Sight-Reading*	Rhythm Only - 5	Unison Pitch - 4	Rhythm Only - 5	2-Part Pitch - 5	2-Part Pitch - 5	Other Factors - 5	30 PERFECT SCORE	
<i>*Middle School Intermediate Level Sight-Reading in Two Parts</i>							Total	116/120 1 (EXCELLENT)
8th Grade Treble Choir								
Performance	Tone Quality	Pitch	Rhythm	Diction	Interpretation	Presentation	Out of 30	
Judge 1	5	5	5	5	5	5	30 PERFECT SCORE	
Judge 2	5	5	5	4	5	5	29	
Judge 3	4	5	5	5	5	5	29	
Sight-Reading*	Rhythm Only - 5	Unison Pitch - 5	Rhythm Only - 5	2-Part Pitch - 5	4-Part Pitch - 5	Other Factors - 5	30 PERFECT SCORE	
<i>*High School Primary Level 4-Part SSAA</i>							Total	118/120 1 (EXCELLENT)
7th & 8th Grade Tenor / Bass Choir								
Performance	Tone Quality	Pitch	Rhythm	Diction	Interpretation	Presentation	Out of 30	
Judge 1	4	5	5	5	5	5	29	
Judge 2	5	5	4	4	5	5	30 PERFECT SCORE	
Judge 3	5	5	5	5	4	5	30 PERFECT SCORE	
Sight-Reading*	Rhythm Only - 5	Unison Pitch - 5	Rhythm Only - 5	2-Part Pitch - 4	2-Part Pitch - 5	Other Factors - 5	29	
<i>*Middle School Intermediate Level Sight-Reading in 2 Parts</i>							Total	118/120 1 (EXCELLENT)
Madrigal Singers								
Performance	Tone Quality	Pitch	Rhythm	Diction	Interpretation	Presentation	Out of 30	
Judge 1	5	5	4	5	4	5	29	
Judge 2	5	4	4	5	5	5	29	
Judge 3	5	5	5	5	5	5	30 PERFECT SCORE	
Sight-Reading*	Rhythm Only - 5	Unison Pitch - 5	Rhythm Only - 5	2-Part Pitch - 5	4-Part Pitch - 5	Other Factors - 5	30 PERFECT SCORE	
<i>*Middle School Intermediate Level 4-Part SATB</i>							Total	118/120 1 (EXCELLENT)
MSVMA Rubric / Final Determination Rating System:								
96-120 = 1 (Excellent)*		72-95 = 2 (Good)		46-71 = 3 (Fair)		24-45 = 4 (Developing)		
<i>*All Choirs earning a 1 (Excellent) Final Determination qualify for State Choral Festival.</i>								

STATE CHORAL FESTIVAL - Tentative (7TH & 8TH GRADE ONLY)

Monday or Tuesday, May 6th or 7th @ Location TBD. More info will be available by Spring Break. School Buses would be provided. This event would take place during the school day and after school hours. Parents would be welcome to join us and/or drive separately if preferred.

Sincerely,

Mr. Emerick Dee



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