



BERT CHURCH HIGH SCHOOL

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CHORAL MUSIC 9/10-20-30

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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course includes musical instruction delivered through a multi-grade concert choir class.

REQUIRED MATERIALS:

The following materials are required for every choir class:

Your folder and music

- A pencil
- You may occasionally be asked to bring your personal device to class for research purposes

FEES

Course Fee: \$40.00

Uniform Fee: \$35.00

If you have financial concerns that prevent payment of the course fees, please visit the Rocky View website or call the school office for information on the fee waiving process.

PERFORMANCES:

Choir is a performance-oriented course, so students will participate in several concerts and performance opportunities throughout the school year. **Participation in these performances is expected, but absences are understood due to other obligations (work, family, illness, clubs, etc.) Please speak with Mr. Dorner if you are ever unable to attend.** Students are marked on their attendance and participation in these events.

Please keep the following dates free for concerts (held at Bert Church Theatre):

October 23, 2019 – Fall Concert

December 11, 2019 – Christmas Concert

April 1, 2020 – Spring Concert (?)

June 3, 2020 – Final Concert

Information for other events (such as festivals, trips, or community performances) will be communicated throughout the year as it becomes available.

EXPECTATIONS and POLICIES:

Note that all expectations and policies strive to provide all students with:

1. A safe classroom environment;
2. An optimal learning experience;
3. The freedom to take ownership for their learning in a socially responsible manner.

ATTENDANCE

ABSENCES:

An excused absence occurs when a parent or guardian phones the school at 403-948-3800 (24 hours a day) to report an absence. Telephone calls from students are not acceptable, unless the student has “adult status” confirmed by the administration of BCHS. Parents are requested to phone in advance of the absence if possible. If that is not possible, parents must call the day of the absence, or no later than the day after the absence (i.e. within 24 hours) if it is to be excused. Notes received from parents within this time frame are also acceptable.

An unexcused absence includes those absences for which no phone call or note has been received within 24 hours following the absence. If the student misses a class where there is an assignment due or a quiz or exam written, the work will be awarded a designation of “NHI” (Not Handed In), which constitutes a zero for the purpose of calculating grades.

(Chapter S-3, Part 1.14, School Act, 2000)

LATES:

Don't be late. Being late reflects poorly upon your priorities and character. Students may be subjected to further consequences specific to the presiding teacher. BCHS policy also applies.

ASSIGNMENTS:

MISSED ASSIGNMENTS:

- When a student has an excused absence it is their responsibility to contact the teacher about missed work and to determine a mutually agreeable time for missed assignments to be handed in for marking. Such issues must be discussed with the teacher on the day of the student's return to classes, or earlier if possible (i.e. by phone or email).
- If no attempt is made to contact the teacher or the work is not completed within the agreed time an “NHI” (Not Handed In; 0 equivalent) will be awarded for the assignment. Further policies will apply (see below).
- Hard copies of assignments will be readily available, and electronic copies will be available at the discretion of the presiding teacher. It is the student's responsibility to keep current.

EXTENSION POLICY:

- Extensions will only be granted for excused absences, and then only if the student or the student's parent(s) / guardian(s) have contacted the teacher no later than 24 hours before the due date (in the case of a known absence) or no later than 24 hours after the due date (in the case of an unforeseen absence).
- Other extensions – whether due to conflicts with extra-curricular activities or course load – will be awarded at the discretion of the presiding teacher.

MISSED QUIZZES AND SINGING TESTS:

A missed quiz or singing test will be written/played on the immediate day back if the absence is excused. If not, an ‘NHI’ will be awarded. It is the student's responsibility to arrange the time that this quiz or test will be completed with the teacher.

APPEALS:

See the *BCHS Student Handbook*.

EVALUATION:

In class, students will be assessed on the criteria listed below. **Regular attendance, classroom participation and an attitude conducive to learning** are necessary for optimum performance and success in this class.

Theory & History	30%
Effort/Attitude/Participation	25%
Performance	30%
Teacher/Self-Evaluations	<u>15%</u>
Total:	100%

CLASS SCHEDULE:

CHOIR takes place on Day 1's in J-Block at 7:45am throughout the entire year

Best of luck this school year! Please do not hesitate to come to me with any questions, comments, or concerns. I am here to ensure that your time in my class and at BCHS is educational, empowering, and enjoyable. I have full confidence in your ability to succeed. GOOD LUCK!