

March 24, 2023 - Junior High Business Meeting

Jamie Lee is in rehearsal at Bennett with the JH Treble Choir and can't be here. If you have any questions for either of us, please just ask!

Go over dates/timeline for next year

- Have directors pick up a copy as they come in.
- Will be posted to the website next week.

Honor Choir

- We are having a GREAT time and hope that your students are as well!
- We have approximately 245 students participating between the two choirs - WOW.
- **Next year, please help us by encouraging students to audition for SOPRANO 2 and BASS/BARITONE.**
 - These two groups had the fewest students audition and had the lowest scores overall. Definitely room for improvement in this area!
- Make sure students wear their HC shirts, medallions, black pants, and black shoes (no heels) tomorrow morning for rehearsal and their performances.
 - JH Treble - rehearsal begins at 8:30, performance at 9:40
 - JH Mixed - rehearsal begins at 9:00, performance at 10:20

DEADLINES

- In order to make next year's Honor Choirs happen in about 10 months, deadlines **MUST** be adhered to.
 - Illnesses come up - understandable.
 - New teachers (whether 1st year teaching period OR 1st year at a new school) - learning curve - understandable.
 - Not every district does purchase orders and check cutting the same way - we get it.
 - BUT - the Junior High honor choirs suffer as a whole when we're not all on the same page or at least trying to be on the same page.
 - With two fewer months than we're used to having to prepare/plan/book/pay for honor choir, the deadlines are even MORE important.
 - A lot goes into coordinating these honor choirs, Elementary through High School - we need all the time we can get.
 - **Please help us by doing your part so we can better serve YOU and YOUR STUDENTS (our top priority!)**
- Please go ahead and make your bookkeepers and principals aware. Please go ahead and give them a copy of the dates!
- Let's all be PROACTIVE and stay on top of the deadlines.
- For AUDITIONS - Students are NOT to sing with ANY VOICES on their recordings. They are to record themselves singing with the PIANO ONLY.

- For PAYMENTS - if you teach at a school with more than one teacher auditioning students, please have your bookkeeper attach some kind of note or something to make sure we know which teacher/students the funds are for.
- Ginger should be the only one receiving checks for JH Honor Choirs (Mixed/SATB OR Treble/SSA). Please please please make sure your checks next year are going to the right person.
- Please make sure your bookkeepers don't lump fees all together in the same check. Elementary and JH have completely separate accounts and should have separate checks written, mailed to their separate chairs. Ginger cannot accept checks for conference registration either.
- Clarification - When a student auditions for S2, that student is auditioning for BOTH CHOIRS. If that student is selected for SATB, that student will sing S1. If that student is selected for SSA, that student will sing S2. Please make sure your students are fully aware of this, and please encourage your students to audition for S2!

BEHAVIOR AT CONCERTS

- We have had some complaints about student behavior at the concerts. Please make sure that your students are being respectful during all performances tonight. This behavior is not acceptable.

QUESTIONS???