



OAK MTN MIDDLE SCHOOL **CHOIR**

Audition Process

Vocal Audition

Students will choose one song from the vocal audition selections to sing for the audition. The song choices are available by clicking the Audition Resources button on the choir website (*ommschoir.com*). Each song choice has a lyric sheet and two tracks— one to use for reference (Learning Track) and another which will be used during auditions (Audition Track). The Audition Track will be played as accompaniment during auditions. Vocal auditions are individual, so students will sing for the judges only, not in front of other students.

Dance Audition

Students are expected to learn the choreography at one of the mandatory choreography clinics on either Monday, April 22 or Tuesday, April 23. Students are welcome to come to both clinics, although only one is required. The choreographers will teach the dance at the clinics. A video of the choreography will be made available on the choir website AFTER the clinic with which to practice. Students must be able to perform that choreography along with the other students in their group in front of the judges. Students will perform the dance along with the other students in their group and may be asked to perform it more than once in front of the judges.

Selection

A panel of judges unaffiliated with Oak Mountain Middle School will score each student based on a rubric. These scores are sorted in a database and students will be selected based on the scores provided by the judges.

Results

Results of the audition will not be posted until the end of May. Choir rosters will be posted at the same time as other OMMS special electives (per school policy). Show Choir rosters will be posted on the choir website. An announcement will be made to the students at school to let them know the exact day the results will be posted.

Rehearsals & Performances

At the beginning of the school year, a calendar of performances, competitions, and any extra rehearsals will be posted on the Calendar tab on the choir website (ommschoir.com).

All OMMS coaches, sponsors, and directors work together to ensure that students are able to participate in multiple activities. When conflicts in scheduling arise, we try diligently to work out a compromise when possible. However, it is the responsibility of the student & parent to stay on top of the student's event, rehearsal, and practice schedule, and to let the teachers know well in advance if there is a conflict.

Directors, sponsors, and coaches recognize that there are special circumstances when it comes to conflicts with school activities. There are certain events that are more crucial than others within the context of each area. For example, there may be a particular team practice that is vitally important that conflicts with a performance that may not be as critical. Or perhaps there is a dress rehearsal right before our first big competition that conflicts with one of many games/matches. In these circumstances, the director/sponsor/coach would discuss which event takes precedence.

Teachers want to be as accommodating as possible, while also encouraging personal responsibility in our students. Again, it is the responsibility of the student (and parent) to be aware of their own schedule and let the teachers know in advance of potential conflicts.

Choir is a team activity. One student's absence from any rehearsal or performance affects everyone else in the choir.

Throughout the year of rehearsals, performances, and competitions, we strive to teach our students qualities such as personal responsibility, commitment, work ethic, the value of learning from both success and defeat, and perseverance.

Show Choir Fee

\$600

(paid in installments or all at once. does not include formal uniform rental (\$30))

What do fees pay for?

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| • Music arrangements | • Charter buses to competitions | • Backdrops | • Costume & Equipment repair & maintenance |
| • Instrumental tracks | • Various Costumes | • School buses for field trips | • Competition T-shirt |
| • Competition Registration | • Choreographer fees | • Sheet Music | • Performance facilities rental |
| • Legal rights to songs | • Show props | • Equipment truck rentals | |

