

Centennial Choirs – Registration Info

*Each seventh grader has to take a performing arts class.
We have four different choir classes that fulfill this requirement.*

If you don't know how to read music yet, register for Choir I - Beginning. We learn how to read in that class and get some experience singing in parts. It's a half-year class and there's no audition needed. Just sign up and I'll see you in class!

If you already know how to read music, choose Auditioned Choir. Then make sure you follow audition instructions below or you won't get into the class. Auditioned choirs are year-long and have more concerts, so make sure you're ready for that commitment!

Do I have to take choir? No, you don't have to. You could take Band, Orchestra, Theatre, Film, or Music Connections (understanding/enjoying music) instead. They all fill the requirement.

What auditioned choirs are there?

- *Concert Choir* is for boys and girls who have some music reading ability.
- *Aria* is for girls only who are great readers and are also good at holding their own part.
- *Chamber Singers* is for boys and girls who are excellent readers, can sing parts independently, and are developing the ability to sight-read.

I have a great voice. Shouldn't I be in the top choir? Being a good chorister is a lot more than just having a nice voice. Essential musicianship skills are taught at every level. If you don't get the choir you were hoping for, just know that it's where I feel you will learn and grow the most.

Does it cost anything to be in choir? There is a small music fee (last year it was \$6) and students will need to borrow or buy concert attire; we will discuss the details in class.

When are auditions? Auditions will take place online and are due on March 12. Details are available at mrspeer.com.

How can I prepare for auditions? Be ready to sing the first verse of the Star-Spangled Banner. If you think you are probably only interested in Concert Choir, just learn the melody. If you want to be in Aria or Chamber, learn the Alto, Tenor, or Bass part (whichever fits your voice best; alto is just fine for boys with higher voices or you could also sing in a different key). There's a copy of the anthem on Centennial's website under my page if you need one.

Other questions? Have a parent email Mr. Speer: samuelsp@provo.edu.