



Erie County Music Educators Association

January 2019

Dear SSA North Chorus Member,

Congratulations on being chosen to participate in the 2019 ECMEA Junior High School North SSA Chorus! The festival will be held at Grand Island High School the weekend of March 15th and 16th. You will have the privilege of working with Mrs. Danielle Rodgers from the Williamsville School District.

Your place in the ensemble is one of honor and responsibility. In order for the chorus to be the best it can be, it is very important that you have your music learned **BEFORE** the first rehearsal on March 15th. Every singer will be tested on his/her knowledge of the music at the first rehearsal. Your music teacher will help you, but you should practice often on your own. Bring your envelope of music and a pencil to **ALL** rehearsals. The music must be in good condition and in the original envelope provided. You will be charged for missing music.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE FESTIVAL

DRESS CODE: White tops, black bottoms

ATTENDANCE POLICY: A student may not miss any rehearsal or any part of a rehearsal for any reason. If a student has to leave the rehearsal for any reason, that student is no longer eligible to participate. There is a nurse policy for illness that occurs during rehearsal. Your teacher can share this with you if it becomes necessary.

LATE POLICY: Any student who is late for a rehearsal for any reason will be dismissed from the ensemble by the chairperson.

BEHAVIOR POLICY: Any student whose behavior is deemed inappropriate at the festival will be dismissed from the ensemble by the chairperson.

TECHNOLOGY POLICY: Electronic devices may be used, but must be silent or with headphones. Electronic devices may **NOT** be used during actual rehearsal time. There will be no access to Wi-Fi nor access for charging of devices. ECMEA is not responsible for electronic devices.

Please carefully read all of the papers and letters included in your music packet. Share this information with your parents and ask your music teacher if you have any questions. We know that this festival will be an exciting musical experience for you! Congratulations again on being selected! We look forward to working with you on March 15th and 16th in Grand Island.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Marielle Zych
Buffalo Public Schools

Mrs. Ann Mosner
ECMEA Choral Coordinator