York County Junior Honors Choir PO Box 827, York, PA 17405 www.theYCHC.org

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#### Dear Returning Member/Candidate and PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S),

Welcome back to the 19<sup>th</sup> season of *York County Junior Honors Choir (JHC)*. It is time to register for 2020-2021. <u>Please do not get</u> your registration materials from your school or church choral director or private teacher. The information they have is for NEW candidates only! Go to the website <u>www.theYCHC.org/Student-Center</u> to print out the <u>schedule</u> and register online. (Details are on the bottom of this page.) Don't miss the schedule and pencil the dates onto your calendar. Parents, please share our website address with your child's qualified peers.

<u>Audition</u>: A successful audition on November 7 (singing in smaller groups) and January 9 is required for membership in *JHC*. <u>Please do not throw away your music from this past season.</u> We will be using a portion of that repertoire this year. You will be selected on your character based upon your participation this past season, musicality, voice quality, stage presence and theory evaluation. (Brush up on your solfeggio and hand signs!!) If your score is the same as another candidate, your theory score followed by your age will be the deciding factors. Gentlemen, most of you will find your voices are changing and you will need to learn a different voice part in all of the music this year.

<u>Audition selections</u>: Everyone must learn major and minor scales, ALL tonal patterns with hand signs and solfeggio, and ALL rhythm patterns. Why We Sing (soprano learn alto and alto learn soprano), I Was Here, Benedictus (soprano learn alto and alto learn soprano), The Star-Spangled Banner, Sicut Cervus (all of it with focus on section B), Alway Something Sings (all of it with focus on the "ah" section). The rehearsal tracks are still on our website.

Schedule and Attendance Policy: Please study the attached schedule/attendance policy carefully. Students will be expected to be present for all rehearsals and performances. If your youth needs to miss more than the 3 allotted absences (indicated with \*), please reconsider your participation in *JHC*. If there is a conflict with your *school's* calendar, you will be excused from *JHC*; however, this *will* count toward the allotted absences. You may only miss 1 of the 5 rehearsals in January and February for school conflicts only. Please thoroughly check the *JHC* dates with your SCHOOL calendar ~ concert and tour dates, musical rehearsals, productions, sports, etc. You will be expected to arrange your work and family schedule (vacations, etc.) so that you can be a dependable, consistent member of the choir.

<u>Communication:</u> will begin August 4<sup>th</sup>, for the 2020-2021 season, on the York County Honors Choirs website: <u>www.theYCHC.org/Student-Center.html</u>. Text reminders (through Remind.com) will be sent to you when an update has been posted on the website. Please check the website for messages from director Donna Knott on a <u>WEEKLY</u> basis beginning August 4<sup>th</sup>. Please keep Donna Knott's email tdknott@comcast.net in your address book.

<u>Financial Requirements:</u> The financial obligation for this opportunity will be \$160: a non-refundable registration fee of \$40 is required by September 30 to audition, and a remaining \$120 tuition will be payable after your successful audition. If for any reason you cannot meet the financial requirements, please see our website **www.theYCHC.org** and click on "Forms" and select "Scholarship Request Form for Tuition/Outfit" to complete the necessary paperwork. No one will be turned away because of financial challenges and your information will be kept confidential.

**Performance Attire:** If you need to purchase all or portions of a new outfit, there will be an additional cost on the day of your fitting on Saturday, November 21. Existing outfits will be checked for proper length, fit, and wear. Cost for a complete Honors Choirs outfit is \$100. Details about outfits will be given at the mandatory orientation meeting on October 11.

#### TO REGISTER

- 1. Visit the York County Honors Choirs website: www.theYCHC.org/Student-Center.html
- 2. Review this RETURNING CANDIDATE packet here or on the website. (After registering, please place scheduled dates on your calendar.)
- 3. Click on Returning Candidate Online Registration Form and Fee Payment.

If you do not have internet access, please contact the Honors Choirs office at admin@theYCHC.org or 717-417-4621.

<u>June 30</u>: Requested online registration due date.

**September 30:** Non-refundable \$40 registration fee due in order to continue with the audition process.

We are looking forward to another year with each of you. Bring a welcoming smile and a willingness to lead! We are looking forward to each of you stepping up your role as leaders and musicians as we move towards a new season.

Sincerely,

Donna Knott, Director, York County Junior Honors Choir and Sue Feldmann, Associate Director

## York County Junior Honors Choir Schedule 2020-2021 STUDENT SCHEDULE

As of May 1, 2020

### Please print and place scheduled dates on your calendar

#### \* Counts towards 3 excused absences for the season.

### **PRE-SEASON**

May 15 June 30	2020-2021 Registration begins Requested online registration due date	
September 30	Requested online registration payment due	
October 11	Orientation (Parent must attend)	1:00 – 5:00 PM
October 12, Monday	Optional Music Marking Choice #1	6:00 – 8:00 PM (optional, strongly encouraged)
October 14, Wednesday	Optional Music Marking Choice #2	6:00 – 8:00 PM (optional, strongly encouraged)
October 27, Tuesday	Optional Rehearsal	6:00 – 8:00 PM (optional, strongly encouraged)
November 7	Audition #1 (Parent must attend)	90 minutes sometime between 9:00 – 4:00 PM
November 9	Pick up music & Optional Music Marking Choice #1	6:00 – 8:00 PM (optional, strongly encouraged)
November 11	Pick up music & Optional Music Marking Choice #2	6:00 – 8:00 PM (optional, strongly encouraged)
*November 21	Mandatory Fitting (Parent must attend)	9:00 AM – 1:00 PM (1 hour sometime between)
	Optional Rehearsal	9:00 – 12:00 PM (optional, strongly encouraged)

December 12 Optional Rehearsal 9:00 – 12:00 PM (optional, strongly encouraged)

12:30 – 1:00 PM (parent welcome)

1:00 – 3:15 PM (mandatory)

Mandatory girls make-up & hair tutorial

\*Ice Breaker

**REHEARSAL SEASON**: You may miss only 1 of 5 rehearsals for school events only please. This will count towards your 3 absences.

January 9	Choir Audition #2 Parent must attend)	8:30 – 6:00 PM (2 hrs. between)	
<b>≯</b> January 10	Rehearsal #1	1:30 – 4:30 PM	
<b>≯</b> January 17	Rehearsal #2	1:30 – 4:30 PM	
<b>≯</b> January 24	Rehearsal #3	1:30 – 4:30 PM	
<b>≯</b> January 30	Snow make up	1:30 – 5:30 PM	
	(only used if a prior rehearsal is canceled due to snow)		
*January 31	Rehearsal #4	1:30 – 4:30 PM	
*February 7	Rehearsal #5	1:30 – 4:30 PM	

#### **CONCERT SEASON**:

February 13	Concert	7:00 PM (3:00 arrive, 6:00 photo)
*February 28	Concert	3:00 PM
*March 13-14	Potential Trip	Weekend
*March 27	York County Elementary Choral Festival (YCECF)	10:00 AM – 4:15 PM
*April 18	Concert	3:00 PM
*May 2	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Recognition Concert	3:00 PM
<b>*</b> May 23	Distinguished Young Women DYW Concert	Afternoon 11AM – 5 PM
<b>≯</b> June 6	End of year concert/Concert	6:30 PM

LAST Name	FIRST Name	Grade in 2019-20	School District
Clementoni	Maya	8	Central
Forrey	Ava	8	Central
Fortson	Alivia	8	Central
Kane	Anusha	8	Central
Kessler	Zach	8	Central
Kiefer	Catie	8	Central
Leader	Emmy	8	Central
Milsten	Rachel	7	Central
Mitchell	Nate	8	Central
Prabhu	Priyal	7	Central
Trilok	Shriya	7	Central
Repasky	Abigail	7	Christian School of York
Aiosa	Jackson	7	Dallastown
Bernadzikowski	Maddie	7	Dallastown
Fusillo	Gabriel	7	Dallastown
Fusillo	Giovanni	8	Dallastown
Gist	Ava	8	Dallastown
Insalaco	Lydia	8	Dallastown
Joseph	Aiden	8	Dallastown
Markel	Ava	9	Dallastown
Mastromatteo	Roman	7	Dallastown
Papayannis	Sophia	7	Dallastown
Smith	Aleesia	9	Dallastown
Smith	Anna	9	Dallastown
Spangler	McKenna	8	Dallastown
Strayer	Corey	9	Dallastown
Toomer	Kaeden	8	Dallastown
White	Emma	9	Dallastown
Woods, III	TJ	8	Dallastown
Wynkoop	Lilly	8	Dallastown
Carpenter	Grace	9	Dover
Laird	Caitlyn	9	Dover
Mailey	Clare	8	Dover
Perkins	Daniel	9	Dover
Repp III	Bobby	9	Dover
Snelbaker	Kylie	9	Dover
Gipe	Jordan	9	Eastern
McCoy	Tracy	8	Eastern
Richardson	Khloe	7	Eastern
Gill	Katie	8	Homeschool

LAST Name	FIRST Name	Grade in 2019-20	School District
Brosi	Luke	9	Lancaster Country Day
Metzler	Caleb	9	Lancaster Mennonite
Smock	Tyger	9	Logos Academy
Erdley	Seth	9	Northeastern
Gartner	Gianna	9	Northeastern
Lesher	Sarah	8	Northeastern
McDonald	Jonah	8	Northeastern
Sutherland	Bekah	9	Northeastern
Wertz	Rachael	9	Northeastern
Wertz	Rebekah	7	Northeastern
Bissell	Josh	9	Northern
Smacher	Christian	7	Northern
Baldwin	Hailey	7	Red Lion
Farwell	Emerson	7	Red Lion
Golden	Maddie	7	Red Lion
Keehner	Trinity	8	Red Lion
Kelly	Laken	8	Red Lion
McQueen	Connor	7	Red Lion
Reppert	Madi	7	Red Lion
Trautfelter	Kaitlyn	8	Red Lion
Silva	Aiden	7	South Eastern
Bell	Hannah	8	South Western
Diener	Kaitlyn	7	South Western
Funk	Jenna	8	South Western
Laudicina	Amelia	7	South Western
Moore	Maryellen	7	South Western
Neuhaus	Leah	7	South Western
O'Brien	Matt	9	Southern
Buhrman	Lucas	7	Spring Grove
Tyson	Ashlyn	8	Spring Grove
Colon	Alyssa	9	West York
Schmitt	Scotlyn	8	West York
Miller	Wyatt	7	York Catholic

LAST Name	FIRST Name	Grade in 2019-20	School District
Jennings	Julianna	9	York City
Miller	Aidan	9	York County School of Technology
Geeting	Aaron	7	York Suburban
Hershey	Kristin	8	York Suburban
Kelley	Micah	7	York Suburban
Nolan	Brayden	7	York Suburban
Scalet	Sophia	7	York Suburban
Shorb	Megan	9	York Suburban
Sullivan	Finn	8	York Suburban
West	Rebecca	8	York Suburban
Youcheff	Noah	9	York Suburban