



Hello potential 2017-2018 OPHS Choir Student,

You are receiving this letter, because you have been specifically chosen by the Choir Leadership Committee to apply to register for OPHS Choir for the 2017-2018 school year. We believe that you have what it takes to be a part of a very special class dedicated towards vocal and musical education. **On Naviance ALL Choir students will sign up for CHAMBER CHOIR.** Those who have auditioned and will be accepted into JAZZ CHOIR, will also sign up for JAZZ CHOIR. See the Course Description Information below:

1. Jazz Choir: O Period

OPHS Students must Audition for this class. (see requirements below). Students accepted into this class are by audition only. This is a class that will be scheduled the same time as Jazz Band, under the direction of Mr. Borquez, so that we can work on and perform Jazz/ Show Choir numbers together. This is also a class that will be working on A Cappella Pop music. Students who have auditioned and have been chosen into this class, are also required to sign up for Chamber Choir. **Students in this class WILL receive Honors Credit.** (Honors Courses are UC approved (a-g) and receive a weighted grade (A=5.0 GPA).

Audition Requirements:

Students must prepare a 32-bar memorized Broadway/Jazz/Disney solo with Karoke accompaniment already prepared on a CD. Sign up on the sheet outside of the Choir Room (B1) for your audition day and order.

Tuesday, March 7 – Beginning at 2:45 / 7th Period

OR

Wednesday, March 8 – Beginning at 2:45 / 7th Period

2. Chamber Choir:

As a member of Chamber Choir you would have the automatic opportunity to perform at more than a dozen events throughout the school year including: Disneyland/California Adventure, the Ronald Reagan Library, the Miller Transition School for special needs students, the Motion Picture Hospital, and many more! Chamber Choir is considered an academic course in which you would receive two semesters of Visual and Performing Arts credits. Being a member of the OPHS Choir gives you the opportunity to not only grow as an individual but also take part in an ensemble experience; this class is a family that truly looks forward to spending time together in order to put on successful performances. We perform all styles of music from Broadway, Disney, Classic Choral Repertoire, Masses, Jazz, etc. All students in this class are also invited to audition for the Disney/Broadway Concerts and Holiday Gigs. Honors credit may be awarded based on consecutive years of participation in choir, and/or teachers approval.

VOCAL ENSEMBLE:

Students signed up for Chamber Choir, who have NOT previously been in OPHS Choir will be placed in Vocal Ensemble. You must have 1 year of choir experience before being scheduled into Chamber Choir or Jazz Choir (unless at the director's discretion). Students in Vocal Ensemble, will be performing much of the same repertoire as in Chamber Choir and will have the opportunity to audition for all of the solo opportunities listed above. **NEW STUDENTS TO CHOIR, PLEASE SIGN UP ON ONE OF THE AUDITION TIMES LISTED ABOVE, TO JUST COME IN (B1) AND FILL OUT A FORM.**

If you have any questions, please contact: Mrs. Cissell: hcissell@opUSD.org or come find her in room B1.

Mrs Cissell & The Choir Leadership Team:

