



## Honor Code of Conduct

In order to participate in any programming of York County Honors Choirs, each singer agrees to abide by the following rules and conduct themselves in the following manner in order to create and maintain an environment in which creativity and success can flourish and that every singer can feel a sense of belonging and safety. The following policies will be enforced with those ideals in mind and with respect for one another. **Failure to comply with these policies could result in immediate dismissal from YCHC.**

### Behavioral Expectations

All participants are expected to conduct themselves in the most professional manner. In order to do this, students agree to:

1. Maintain a high level of integrity and personal reliability and responsibility;
2. Come to rehearsal prepared, refraining from disruptive behavior, creating an atmosphere of teamwork and dedication to a common goal;
3. Show respect for the YCHC staff, volunteers, and other singers at all times;
4. Be supportive of your peers. Your willingness to be compatible, self-controlled, adaptable, careful, patient, humble, and helpful, signals to your peers that you are willing to place others before yourself;
5. Show the above character traits which create a strong leader, having the courage to do what is right and to persevere in the midst of a challenge;
6. Respect your personal property; the property of your fellow students, parent volunteers, and staff; and the property of YCHC and concert venues; refraining from any form of vandalism or disorderly conduct;
7. Refrain from using, possessing, or distributing any illegal substance (i.e. alcohol, drugs, tobacco, and all other forms of contraband) at any time, including time spent outside of YCHC activities.
8. Adhere to his/her local district's school code and policies. In the case of students who are homeschooled, they will abide by the policies of the district in which they reside.

### Electronic Usage Policy

While YCHC encourages students to share fond memories, accolades, and positive descriptions detailing their participation in activities, students also agree to:

1. Maintain a high degree of professionalism, positivity, and tastefulness when sharing content related to YCHC on electronic media;
2. Respect the privacy of other students, parents, chaperones, and staff when online, especially if they do not wish for their name, image, or likeness shared on the internet;
3. Refrain from using electronic media to share images or information that portrays another student in a negative manner or violates his/her privacy, and;
4. Refrain from circulating offensive content, whether personal or regarding another student.

### Violations

Any violation of any of the above expectations will result in disciplinary action. The severity of these consequences will mirror the severity of the violation, and exact decisions will be determined in writing by the Executive Director, and if necessary, appropriate members of the Board of Directors. At all times, singers represent their family, their school district, York County Honors Choirs, York County, the State of Pennsylvania, and the United States of America. Remember to conduct yourselves accordingly.

Student Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Honor Code of Conduct Acceptance

Students are expected to sign a statement acknowledging their acceptance of these policies for their involvement in YCHC activities each season. Please hand in this sheet only. A separate agreement will be signed for any trip or overnight event.

I have read and understand the Honor Code of Conduct and agree to uphold the policies of York County Honors Choirs with regards to my personal conduct and behavior. With my signature, I promise to uphold these policies and represent my school district to the best of my ability.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I, the Parent/Guardian, have read and agree to encourage our student to maintain the standards and policies outlined in the Honor Code of Conduct. We grant permission for our student to participate in YCHC activities and will not hold YCHC or its members responsible for any unforeseen accident, illness, or loss of property during or in transit to/from our activities.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Please check if the student will turn 18 during the Honors Choir season.  
When turning 18, it is understood that the student's own signature will indicate acceptance of these policies.