



Southern Lehigh School District

High School Syllabus

Chorus 2012-2013

Course Description:

This is an elective open to students in grades 9 through 12. The objective is to teach music reading skills, aural skills, vocal techniques and performance skills necessary to develop a well-balanced choral ensemble. Students will develop ear-training skills both during rehearsal time and independently in the music lab. The student will acquire performance practice skills appropriate to the style period of the literature being performed. Extra rehearsals outside of the school day are scheduled as needed for program preparation. All students enrolled are expected to participate in scheduled performances; this is a course requirement.

Course Content:

Basic notation reading

Musical terminology

Music History as related to keyboard instruments and famous composers and/or performers

Proper Vocal Technique

Group Singing Technique

Required Textbooks and/or Other Reading/Research Materials

All materials are issued to students for use in and out of school as able. The music lab is open everyday after school for student practice as well as during selected times during the school day.

Music selections as chosen by the director.

Course Requirements:

Students are expected to be have a positive attitude ready to learn as well as a pencil.

Grade Components/Assessments:

Grades will be based on in-class work ethic, concert attendance, quizzes, and singing assessments.

Each marking period is worth 20% of a student's overall grade. The midterm and final exam are each worth 10% of a student's overall average:

Quarter 1	20%
Quarter 2	20%
Midterm	10%
Quarter 3	20%
Quarter 4	20%
Final	10%

Required Summer Reading/Assignments:

There is no requirement applicable to this course.