

**COTTONWOOD HIGH SCHOOL**

**MUSIC DEPARTMENT**

WOMEN’S CHOIR (*Bella Voce*)

2017-2018

**SYLLABUS:**

Objectives

1. Produce a beautiful tone
2. Demonstrate technical performance skills
3. Demonstrate notational literacy
4. Demonstrate productive rehearsal habits
5. Perform varied repertoire
6. Improvise rhythmic and melodic ideas and phrases
7. Record musical thoughts in standard notation
8. Analyze and evaluate musical examples
9. Evaluate ensemble performances
10. Document personal growth as a musician
11. Examine how music relates to personal development and enjoyment of life
12. Experience how music connects us to history, culture, heritage, and community

Grading

1. **Participation and Attendance worth up to 50% of your grade**

* Coming on time to class and performances
* Active involvement in the rehearsals and assignments
* Bring a pencil to class daily
* Failure to memorize music in a timely manner will result in quartet memory tests.
* Show respect for teacher and other students

1. **Tardies/Absences (subtracted from participation and attendance points)**

* For every two tardies, the citizenship grade drops one full point
* 1 unexcused absence drops citizenship grade to a “1”, 2 unexcused absences drops it to a “0”
* Tardiness and Unexcused Absences will result in the loss of daily participation points. (40 points a day)
* Points for unexcused absences cannot be made up

1. **Concerts**

* **Concerts are considered the class final and are worth up to 25% of your grade**
* One missed concert will result in an “I” incomplete grade, two missed concerts result in automatic failure
* Tech rehearsals are mandatory for singing in a concert and being on time is essential
* Alternate assignments can be given and approved at least one month previous to the concert

1. **Other assignments**

* [**www.breezinthru.com**](http://www.breezinthru.com) **assignments worth up to 25% of your grade**
* Each student must attend and report on one outside concert per quarter to letter
* Other written assignments will include music journals and self/peer assessments

Grade Scale A 93-100% A- 90-92% B+ 87-89% B 83-86% B- 80-82% C+ 77-79%

C 73-76% C- 70-72% D+ 67-69% D 63-66% D- 60-62% F 0-59%

**Women’s Choir Disclosure Statement:**

(Students and Parents need to be aware of the following commitments and costs.)

* Students need to maintain a 3.0 in all music classes and at least a 2.0 in all classes
* Students need to be aware of all calendar dates and communicate them with their parents

(Please see attached calendar)

* **There is one $50 class fee for the year which covers all choral classes**
* **Students are responsible for costuming for all the choir performing groups they are in.**

**Women’s Choir/Concert Choir Dress - $70) and black dress shoes**

* Students are encouraged, but not required, to go on the Music Tour ($600-$700)
* Students need to meet all UHSAA eligibility requirements. (GPA, drugs, alcohol, tobacco etc.)

(See UHSAA form for more details. Inability to meet requirements results removal from state festivals)

* Students need to be a positive and active force in the Choral Department.
* Students need to be able to communicate effectively and work well with others.
* Students need to get along and be graceful to all other choral, music and cottonwood students ☺.

Student Name (please print):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Student contact info: email\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ phone #\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name (please print):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Parents:** Check box if you’re interested in helping out with some of the Choir Activities throughout the year

[ ] **Parent Leader** (help organize and plan parental help with choir activities)

[ ] **Parent Helper** (sign up to help with choir activities on occasions you’re available)

[ ] Very limited time and won’t be able to help much, but still want to support my student in other ways



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