

James S. Evans Elementary School
Chorus Guidelines
2019 – 2020

Welcome to the chorus program at Evans Elementary! Fourth grade students must fulfill a district requirement to be in chorus in fourth grade. Fifth and sixth grade students may choose to participate in chorus as an elective. In this handout you will find everything you need to know about your child's involvement in chorus. I am looking forward to making music with your child!

GOALS: These are some of the goals students will achieve through participation in chorus:

1. understand the use and care of the voice as a musical instrument
2. use correct breathing and tuneful singing
3. pronounce words clearly
4. recognize and use music symbols and terms found in sheet music
5. work with others to reach performance expectations by:
 - a. being a positive and productive member of the chorus
 - b. showing commitment to rehearsals and performances

EXPECTATIONS:

To be responsible, students in chorus will:

- Use their best singing voice
- Take good care of their sheet music and chorus folder

To be respectful, students in chorus will:

- Listen while someone else is singing or speaking
- Raise their hand when they need to speak to the teacher

To be safe, students in chorus will:

- Sit or stand in their assigned spot.
- Keep hands, feet, folders, to themselves at all times.

SCHEDULE:

Day 3 – 2:25 – 3:05 Rehearsal for all chorus students

Day 6 – 2:25 – 3:05 Rehearsal for 6th grade students only

CONCERT DATES:

Concerts will be held at Wappingers Junior High School starting at 7:00 p.m.

- Thursday, January 23, 2020 (Snow date: Tuesday, January 28, 2020)
- Wednesday, May 20, 2020

CONCERT PARTICIPATION: Attendance and participation in each of the concerts listed above is a part of the entire choral experience. The chorus relies on each member to be successful. If there is an emergency and your child cannot attend a concert, please contact Ms. García as soon as possible.

CONCERT DRESS:

Top: Shirt or blouse of any color, covering shoulders (no t-shirts)

Bottom: Dress pants or long skirt of any color (no jeans, no leggings; skirts knee-length or longer)

Shoes: Dress shoes, any color (no sneakers, or flip-flops)

Ties: Optional

If you have any questions, please call me at 298-5240 or send an e-mail to Carmen.Garcia@wcsdny.org.

Sincerely,

Carmen S. García,
Choral Director

STUDENT NAME: _____ CLASS: _____

CHORUS GUIDELINES

Please sign and return this page to Ms. García by Friday, September 13, 2019.

I have read the chorus guidelines with my child. We understand what is expected in the choral music program at James S. Evans Elementary School.

Student Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Phone Numbers: Home _____ Cell: _____

Date _____