



KELLENBERG MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Latin School Chorus Parents and Students,

Welcome to the Bro. Joseph C. Fox Latin School Chorus! We would like to take a moment to highlight a few things that you should know about your child's membership in chorus.

During the year, the choruses, in conjunction with the school band, orchestra and Art Department, will give two main concerts: Christmas and Spring. The accompanying sheet gives the dates and starting times for all performances during the 2016-2017 school year.

As a group, we rely on ALL members being in attendance to present a quality performance. Therefore, ATTENDANCE IS REQUIRED at all functions. Unexcused absence from a mandatory performance will result in a failing grade for the trimester. The only acceptable excuse is a legal absence from school. If you are absent, please notify us at school and submit a copy of the official absence note. Absence from school or mandatory rehearsals would, of course, preclude the student from performing in the concert without prior administrative approval. **Any conflicts with attendance for our extended rehearsals or concerts must be addressed in writing at least two weeks in advance to Bro. Roger Poletti, S.M., Assistant Principal of Activities.**

Our concert dress is:

Girls - <u>Grades 7/8</u> -	Black skirt (we provide), White uniform blouse - Long sleeved Black penny loafers, Black tights/stockings
Boys - <u>Grades 7/8</u> -	<u>Black</u> dress pants (no denim/cargo), Black dress belt White long sleeved uniform shirt Black penny loafers and black socks (no ankle socks)
<u>Grade 6</u> -	School Uniform without jacket/tie (bow tie provided) White, long sleeved uniform shirt Black penny loafers <u>Boys:</u> Black dress socks (no ankle socks) <u>Girls:</u> School tights (no knee socks)

*Girls' black skirts are provided by the school for concert performances.
It is the responsibility of each student to return them within a week of each concert –
dry cleaned, tagged with their name, on a hanger, ready for our next performance!*

We would ask that, out of respect to all performers in the concert, parents and friends remain for the entire concert and observe proper concert etiquette. No student from any performing group will be released until after the concert finale at the end. Our concert finale always includes all of the performers from that evening's groups "en masse" for one number.

In closing, we would like to thank you for giving your child and the Music Department the support that we all need to make beautiful music together.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Anna Tochelli
Tyro/Squire Chorus Director

Mrs. Sheila Zider
Cadet Chorus Director

IMPORTANT DATES FOR LATIN SCHOOL CHORUS MEMBERS

(These dates are already on your school calendar – please be aware of them!)

ALL-COUNTY NOMINATIONS

Students who performed a NYSSMA vocal solo for evaluation in Spring 2016 should see their director if they wish to be nominated for possible participation in All-County Chorus.

Students who wish to be nominated must submit a signed contract along with their NYSSMA evaluation sheet from Spring 2016.

All-County concerts take place over the Martin Luther King Day weekend, with rehearsals in the evenings during the week prior.

NO transportation is provided by Kellenberg – parents must arrange transportation.

ALL FORMS ARE DUE NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 22nd.

WEDNESDAY, December 14th, 2016

Latin School Finale Rehearsal – During 8th/9th Period

Latin School Christmas Concert – 7:45pm

(Arrival times will vary from group to group – more information will be provided as the date approaches.)

NYSSMA Solo Festival – PIANO only

March 3rd and 4th, 2017 – Nassau Community College – ALL Piano solos
Registration materials will be due no later than January 13th, 2017.

NYSSMA Solo Festival –

Levels I-VI (except piano/All State)*

May 23/24, 2017 – Salk Middle School, Levittown

Registration materials will be due no later than March 17th, 2017.

*Please note this is a TUES/WEDS Festival!

WEDNESDAY, May 31st, 2017

Latin School Finale Rehearsal – During 8th/9th Period

Latin School Spring Concert – 7:45pm

(Arrival times will vary from group to group – more information will be provided as the date approaches.)