

September 20, 2017

Attention: Norwayne Middle School 7th and 8th Grade Students and Parents

Reason: Auditions for the NMS 7th and 8th Grade Chamber Choir

Greetings!

My name is Mrs. Leanne Ratica and I am the choir director at Norwayne Middle School. I am sending this memo home to inform you about an audition only 7th and 8th Grade Chamber Choir that is being offered for students who love to sing.

The Purpose of the NMS 7th and 8th Grade Chamber Choir

The purpose of the NMS 7th and 8th Grade Chamber Choir is to provide extra performance opportunities for students who love to sing. It will also give these students the chance to showcase their talent throughout the community by singing at nursing homes, retirement homes, sporting events and school events. A Google Calendar/Schedule of performances will be sent home as soon as auditions are finalized.

Rehearsals

Rehearsals will be held once a week after school. The day of the week will be determined based on availability of the students who are accepted in the group. A Google Calendar/Schedule of rehearsals will be sent home as soon as auditions are finalized.

Auditions

Auditions will be held on October 3, 2017 from 3-4 in the music room. Students may register to audition by following these steps:

1. Go to google classroom.
2. Join 7th and 8th Grade NMS Chamber Choir.
3. The code is: 33cslo
4. View Audition materials.
5. Complete and submit the registration form by September 27, 2017.

Audition Requirements

1. Students are required to audition to be part of the NMS 7th and 8th Grade Chamber Choir.
2. A rubric based point system will determine the following:

Score	Definition of the Score
0-16	The student is not ready to be a member of the NMS 7 th and 8 th Grade Chamber Choir but may re-audition a second time.
17-24	The student is accepted to be a member of the NMS 7 th and 8 th Grade Chamber Choir.
25-32	The student is accepted to be a member of the NMS 7 th and 8 th Grade Chamber Choir and will also be nominated for solo and ensemble.

3. Auditions must be sung a cappella
4. The music does not have to be memorized.

Preparing for the Audition

A copy of the audition music and a practice track is located at google classroom to assist students with preparing for their audition. Please contact Mrs. Ratica at leratica@norwayne.net if you have problems accessing the materials.

Good luck to all students who are going to audition! I look forward to hearing the amazing talented singers who attend Norwayne Middle School. If you have any questions, contact Mrs. Ratica at leratica@norwayne.net.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Leanne Ratica, Director of Choirs, Norwayne Local Schools