



Orchard View

6th Grade Choir Handbook 2019-20

Welcome to choir! I am very excited that you have chosen to be part of this class at Forest Hills Eastern. I am thrilled to be at FHE and believe this will be a great experience for all involved.

Parents, your involvement in our choral program is vital for having a successful year. There are many opportunities for parents to participate. You may choose to help with our Choir Boosters, fundraisers and/or chaperoning choir concerts. You may also choose to be a choir booster's donor. These funds pay for music, festivals, clinicians, instruments, trips, etc. A donation slip is attached to this packet. Your attendance at concerts is also very important, not only to support your son or daughter, but also to share in his or her hard work and progress.

Please carefully review the attached information and sign the Agreement Form at the bottom of this page. Your child needs to bring the agreement form back to class, signed, no later than Thursday, September 5.

For more information about events, contact information, private lessons, study guides, etc., please visit our choir website at:

www.fhechoirs.com

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns that you may have throughout the semester. I look forward to an outstanding year!

Sincerely,
Emily Blink
eblink@fhps.net

FHE CHOIR Expectations:

- Come to class on time with proper materials
- Treat peers and teacher with courtesy and respect.
- Treat all musical materials/equipment with respect.
- Do not chew gum in class.

Choir Students, you will never have to worry about your grade if you:

- Always try your hardest.
- Complete any class assignments and turn them in on time.
- Prepare for and attend performances, demonstrating proper concert etiquette.
- Bring all necessary materials to class.
- Obey classroom expectations.

Concert Attendance

Any student who is unable to make the performance and who knows ahead of time must let Mrs. Blink know by a phone call from his or her parent/guardian. The only absence that is dismissed is a family emergency, extreme illness, or a pre-approved absence. Notify Mrs. Blink as soon as possible if an absence is necessary. If the concert is missed without prior notification, the student's grade will be lowered.

Concert Uniform

Students will wear nice jeans (no tears or holes, please) and a 6th Grade Choir T-shirt (order form can be found on the last page of this packet). Please fill out the bottom portion and include your child's size and \$6.50. Checks are payable to FHE CHOIR. Your child will need to wear the t-shirt to all choir concerts this year.

6th Grade Choir 2019-20 Events

September	10	Choir Booster Meeting - Optional	6:30 p.m.	Location: TBA
	17	Music Fundraiser Kick-off	In Class	
October	1	Fundraiser Money and Form Due	In Class	Eastern HS Lobby
	22	Fundraiser Delivery	3-7 p.m.	
November	12	Choir Booster Meeting - Optional	6:30 p.m.	Location: TBA FHE Auditorium
	13	6th Grade & Eastern Singers Concert	7:00 p.m.	
December		No Events		
January		No Events		
February	11	Choir Boosters Meeting- Optional	6:30 p.m.	Location: TBA FHE Auditorium
	25	6th Grade Choir & Orchestra Concert	7:00 p.m.	
March		No Events		
April	14	Choir Boosters Meeting- Optional	6:30 p.m.	Location: TBA
May		No Events	7:00 p.m.	FHE Auditorium
June	2	6th Grade Choir & Band Concert	7:00 p.m.	FHE Auditorium

Performances are in bold and are mandatory

Students need to arrive to performances a half hour before the concert starts for a vocal warm-up, arrangement, and short rehearsal

****Parents, please mark these dates in your calendar. Thank you!**

FHE CHOIR BOOSTERS

The FHE CHOIR BOOSTERS is a parent organization that supports our students who are in choir at Forest Hills Eastern. We provide chaperones for trips, festivals and concerts. We raise money for guest clinicians, sound equipment, instruments, instructional software, music, busses, food and much more!

Meeting Dates: Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m., Location: TBA
September 10, November 12, February 11, April 14

The FHE CHOIR BOOSTERS officers are:

<u>President:</u>	Connie Culhane
<u>Treasurer:</u>	Cathy Calvneau
<u>Secretary:</u>	Deb VanderMyde

The FHE CHOIR BOOSTERS plays an important role in the choir's success. Your generous support will help us continue to provide the opportunities that make choir so rewarding and valuable.

FHE Choir Boosters Donation Form

Parent Name/s _____ Phone _____
(As you would like to appear in programs)

Student's Name/s _____

- Sponsor \$300
- Benefactor \$200
- Patron \$100
- Friend \$50
- Member \$25

Donation checks can be payable to FHE CHOIR BOOSTERS. You may give checks to Mrs. Blink at school or:

Mail to: Forest Hills Eastern
Attn: Emily Blink
2200 Pettis
Ada, MI 49301

Thank you for your generous contribution!

PLEASE SIGN AND DETACH THIS PAGE - Due: Thursday, September 5 in class

**Orchard View
T-Shirts \$6.50
Checks payable to FHE CHOIR**

**The Choir Boosters is happy to support any family that cannot afford the t-shirt. Please let Mrs. Blink know if your family needs assistance

Child's Name (please print clearly) _____

T-shirt Size (please circle) Youth XL Adult S M L XL

I have read and understand the contents of the handbook.

Parent Name _____

Parent Signature _____

Parent Email _____
(please print clearly in order to receive choir updates and information)