

Forest Hills Eastern
High School

Eastern Singers

Handbook
2019-2020



Eastern Singers 2019-2020 Events

September	10	Choir Boosters Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Location: TBA
October	2	Fall Choir Concert	7:00 p.m.	Fine Arts Center
	21	Jazz Festival	7:00 p.m.	Fine Arts Center
November	12	Choir Boosters Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Location: TBA
	13	Eastern Singers & 6th Grade Concert	7:00 p.m.	FHE Auditorium
December	6	Egypt Valley Open House – Chorale/ES	Time: TBA	Egypt Valley
	10	Winter ORCHESTRA Concert	7:00 p.m.	FHE Auditorium
	12	Winter CHOIR Concert	7:00 p.m.	FHE Auditorium
	13	Holiday Tour	9am-2pm	KF, OV, Trans.
January		No Events		
February	11	Choir Boosters Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Location: TBA
March	6	FHE Variety Show	7:00 p.m.	FHE Auditorium
	26	Concert Choir/Eastern Singers Gala	7:00 p.m.	FHE Auditorium
April	14	Choir Boosters Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Location: TBA
May	14	Spring Choir Concert	7:00 p.m.	FHE Auditorium
	18	Graduation – Chorale/ES	7:00 p.m.	Cornerstone

- Your attendance at all performances (in bold) is mandatory!
- Keep a personal calendar that includes any commitments that might conflict with gigs (work, church, athletics, family, etc.)
- It is your responsibility to let your employers know when you cannot work.
- Alert Mrs. Blink as soon as possible to any potential conflicts.

General Information

- It is the student's responsibility to check the Google Classroom site daily. On days that we will not meet in class, you will need to complete the online questions. Most assignments are due that evening at 11:59 p.m.
- Google Classroom Code: 3t98a2
- Please text @dfegag to 81010 to receive Text Message Reminders.
- We will not meet face to face on 2-hour delay days.
- If Mrs. Blink needs to take a sick day, she will send out a text message via "remind" as soon as possible. We will NOT meet face to face those days. An online assignment will be required.
- Students may NOT miss more than 3 days of class per semester. If the student misses more than 3 class periods, the student may be removed from a concert. If this occurs, the student may earn his or her concert grade by performing each song for Mrs. Blink. The student will be graded on all pitches, rhythms, and will be asked to demonstrate all musical terminology accurately.
- If tardies and absences become an issue, the student may be removed from the group upon Mrs. Blink's discretion.

Uniform

Fall Concert

- Choir T-shirt on Top. Jeans/black pants/khakis on the bottom. Comfortable shoes.

Winter through Spring Concerts

- Students are required to purchase his or her Eastern Singers uniform.
- Boys:
 - Pants – Solid black (no Chorale tuxedo pants)
 - Tie – Thin black
 - Shirt – Purchase from JCPENNEY Online (Red Cap Industrial Solid Work Shirt – long sleeve - Please make sure it is **BURGUNDY!**)
 - Shoes – Solid black dress shoes
- Girls:
 - Must be a black dress or nice black pants and a dressy top.
 - Skirts need to be school appropriate in length.
 - Mrs. Blink's needs to approve the uniform before purchase.

Grading Policy:

34% - Participation

- Come to class on time
- Be prepared with music and a pencil
- Sit up straight when performing your part
- Do NOT be rude, talk excessively, chew gum, be disruptive, etc.
- Students will earn 2 points a day for showing up. 1 point is deducted if tardy.

33% - Concerts/ Performances

- Show up on time
- Come prepared
- Wear the proper uniform

33% - Online Assignments

- Check online assignments through Google Classroom on days we do not meet
- Complete the assignment by 11:59 p.m. that evening
- Most assignments are worth 20 points. If the work is late there is a 5-point reduction each day

Eastern Singers 2019-2020 Minimum Expectations

1. Be responsible. Learn your music. Ask questions in class if you do not understand a part or concept. Plan to spend time outside of class learning parts.
2. Keep a personal calendar that includes any commitments that might conflict with gigs (work, church, athletic, family, etc.). This calendar should be brought to class each day. You must attend all performances listed on the calendar.
3. Turn in assignments, projects, forms and money on time.
4. Be in class and be on time. Failure to comply with the group's attendance and tardy policies could lead to removal from the group. If you have any doubt about whether or when we have rehearsals or other commitments, please contact Mrs. Blink to confirm. If you miss a class period, it is your responsibility to contact another Eastern Singers member to find out what you missed.
5. Be an unselfish team player. This includes looking for ways to help, encouraging others, ignoring opportunities to complain, not talking others down behind their backs and in general, doing more than what is expected.
6. Never flaunt your membership in Eastern Singers. Be sensitive to the fact that many other students wish they were in your place.
7. The use of cigarettes, illegal substances or alcohol can result in removal from Eastern Singers. A decision will be made based upon discussions with counselors and administration.
8. If problems arise with someone in Eastern Singers (and they will...), talk to them, explain how you feel, and look for a mutually beneficial solution. Do not complain to others and bring them into the issue. That will only make the problem bigger than it already is.
9. Appreciate all that the teachers and staff of FHE, your parents, and your friends do for you. Realize that many people sacrifice and work very hard to give you all the opportunities you have. Thank them sincerely and often.



DUE: Tuesday, September 3

I have read these expectations and discussed them with my parents/guardians. I understand that I am responsible for each item listed and that I could be removed from Eastern Singers if I refuse to follow any of the expectations.

Student Name

Student Signature

Date

Parent Name

Parent Signature

Date

Parent Email