



Dear Parents and Students:

It's that time of the year again when I look for those students who show an interest for singing in our chorus program. This singing group is for those students who are interested in being a member of this chorus.

MCBE BOBCAT CHORUS is a group for which you must audition. This audition will involve matching pitch, echoing rhythm patterns, ability to sing alone and or with a group and match pitch, and overall ability to follow directions effectively. Be advised that these are open auditions and therefore you will not only be singing in front of us but for any other students in the room who are also auditioning. In evaluating your singing abilities we will be looking to see if you possess these characteristics: good tone quality, good projection (big voice), staying on key, good diction, ability to sing one thing while someone else is singing another, and confidence. We will also take into account our previous experience with you in the classroom or other group settings regarding your personal behavior and responsibility. Auditions will be held in the Music Room on Wednesday. Call backs for the second part of the audition will be held this Friday, September 2nd. Please keep in mind that not everyone will receive a call back. This portion is for those students who demonstrate the abilities required to be in chorus and need to get through the next level in the audition process.

- **Wednesday, August 31st 2:00-4:30 PM**
- **Friday, September 2nd – 3:00-4:30 PM**

Before auditioning, please consider the following requirements of those accepted into the group: 1) *MCBE CHORUS* will rehearse every Wednesday after school from 2:00-3:30 (rehearsals will increase in frequency depending upon our performance events; 2) Any member who misses more than 3 rehearsals without valid excuses will be removed from the group; 3) Carefully consider this audition, especially if you know that your child may not do well when dealing with a possible negative outcome. This year's music for the group will be challenging and will require hard work and dedication. But, just like any other type of team, the benefits will be great.

If you are interested in auditioning, please complete the CHORUS PERMISSION FORM and bring it with you to the audition. If you have any additional questions regarding the audition process, please e-mail me through ipasteris@dadeschools.net or at mcbebobcatchorus@gmail.com. I can also be reached at school at 305-229-4800.

Thank you for your continued support of your child's music education. For more information regarding the status of your child's membership in the MCBE CHORUS PROGRAM or any other music related activity please visit www.mcbemusic.com.

Sincerely,

Ms. Pasteris

