

## **CONCERT CHOIR**

Open to all students regardless of experience with music. Interested new students may be asked to sing a low-stress audition for the choral director and will be welcomed into the choir. No experience is necessary, but the ability to read music is a plus. Students will learn the basics of singing, hearing, reading, and understanding music in the Fall semester. The course continues in the Spring with an advanced focus on these four areas. The choir performs four concerts, is invited to sing at various community events, travels locally and regionally, and competes at choral festivals each year. Advanced singers are encouraged to audition for regional and state honors choirs, take the course for honors credit, and/or run for an officer position within the choir.

\*Prerequisite: Ability to read music or singing experience a plus, but not required.

## **ADVANCED CONCERT CHOIR**

Experienced musicians will be placed in this choir if they demonstrate the ability to sing music at an advanced level. Students will learn advanced techniques for singing, hearing, reading, and understanding music throughout the year. The choir performs four concerts, is invited to sing at various community events, travels locally and regionally, and competes at choral festivals each year. Advanced singers are encouraged to audition for regional and state honors choirs, take the course for honors credit, and/or run for an officer position within the choir.

\*Prerequisite: Audition and/or completion of Concert Choir

## **HONORS CONCERT CHOIR**

This honors course meets with Concert Choir or Advanced Concert Choir, and enrolled students are expected to be leaders within their large ensemble. Expectations for practice, performance, leadership, and work products are much higher for honors students; however, most additional requirements occur outside of the regularly scheduled class. Honors students should participate in private voice instruction with a qualified voice teacher or be a part of an approved ensemble outside of the high school. Additionally, all honors students must participate in two public student group recitals throughout the year—one occurring at the end of each semester.

\*Prerequisite: 10-12 grade and enrolled in Concert Choir or Advanced Concert Choir.

## **CHAMBER CHOIR**

Open to advanced singers at Natick High School by audition only where admittance is based on reading ability, vocal quality, and dedication. This is a smaller ensemble of selected, female singers who study an advanced level of music. The course will provide an advanced focus on singing, hearing, reading, and understanding music in the Fall semester. The choir performs four concerts, is invited to sing at various community events, travels locally and regionally, and competes at choral festivals

each year. Furthermore, the Chamber Singers will travel and perform independently from the other choral ensembles each year. Students do not have to be enrolled in band or choir to participate. The Chamber Singers rehearse on a selected night after school for two hours each week.

\*Prerequisite: Females by advanced-level audition only.

### **MEN'S VOCAL ENSEMBLE**

Open to all men at Natick High School. No experience is necessary; however, experience reading music or singing is a plus. Interested new students may be asked to sing a low-stress audition for the choral director and will be welcomed into the choir. Students will learn the basics of singing, hearing, reading, and understanding music in the Fall semester. The course continues in the Spring with an advanced focus on these four areas. The choir performs four concerts, is invited to sing at various community events, travels locally and regionally, and competes at choral festivals each year. Furthermore, the Men's Ensemble will travel and perform independently from the other choral ensembles each year. This choir meets before school during the CDS block every other day.

Prerequisite: Males by entry-level audition only. Ability to read music or singing experience a plus, but not required.