

# PARTICIPATION & EFFORT:

Choir students need to attend class. There is a limited amount of time that we can prepare for concerts, and any absence is detrimental to the success of the choir. Please avoid scheduling medical or dental appointments during our practice time. **Scheduling vacations while class is session is strongly discouraged.** We need everyone to be in attendance, learning their parts. Excessive absences and/or tardiness will not be tolerated.

All choir students *must attend and perform* in four school concerts as part of their choir grade. Attendance will be taken at these programs. Chorale and Singers have additional requirements. Failure to attend concerts will result in a drop of *three (3) letter grades*.

**YOU JOINED CHOIR TO SING.  
IF YOU CANNOT SING AT THE EVENING CONCERTS,  
YOU SHOULD NOT BE IN CHOIR!**

*Employment outside of school is not an acceptable excuse for missing a concert.* Please inform your employer(s) of your concert dates NOW so they may adjust their schedule accordingly.

*Transportation difficulty is not an acceptable excuse for missing a concert.* Call another choir member, a choir parent, or Mrs. Christensen to pre-arrange a ride. Do NOT start thinking about how you are going to get to the concert an hour before the concert!

If a student needs to miss a performance, Mrs. Christensen must be notified in writing *three (3) weeks before the concert*. This note must be signed by a parent/guardian. A paper must be written to make up for the excused absence. Failure to provide a note will result in an *unexcused absence* and a drop of *three (3) letter grades*.

**THESE RULES ARE FOR EVERYONE.**

In the case of severe illness/other emergency, the student must bring Mrs. Christensen a note *signed by a physician* upon return to Horlick. Failure to provide a note will result in a drop of *three (3) letter grades*. There is an old adage in the performing world: "The Show Must Go On" – do not let a tummyache or the sniffles prevent you from fulfilling your obligations and commitments to the William Horlick High School Choirs!