

### <u>SPRING GROVE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT</u>

#### PLANNED COURSE OVERVIEW



Course Title: Chorus

Grade Level(s): 9-12

Units of Credit: .70

Classification: Elective

Length of Course: 30 cycles

Periods Per Cycle: 4

**Length of Period**: 43 minutes

Total Instructional Time: 86 hours

# Course Description

Chorus is a vocal performance group for students who want to experience up to four part harmony while singing in large and small group ensembles. Emphasis will be placed on quality tone production and diverse repertoire from different historical periods and cultural contexts.

# Instructional Strategies, Learning Practices, Activities, and Experiences

Daily Vocal Warm-ups

Sight Reading Instruction

Rhythm Reading Instruction

Sight Reading Practice

Rhythm Reading Practice

**Best Practices Strategies** Rote Part Learning

Performance Assessment

Performance Critique

Small Group Work in Sectionals

**Group Discussions** 

Rehearsals In Small Groups Led By Section

Leaders

Student Feedback on Class Performances

#### **Assessments**

Constant Formative Assessment Singing Tests

## Materials/Resources

Various Choral Repertoire; SAB (three-part); SATB

Repertoire

Sight Reading Material

**Adopted**: 3/16/88

Revised: 4/3/91: 8/17/05: 6/20/11: 5/15/2017

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CONTENT/KEY CONCEPTS	OBJECTIVES/STANDARDS
. Tone Quality	1. Tone Quality
body alignment	Students will learn proper vocal production.
color	Students will learn and use vertical vowels.
vowel color	Students will identify pleasant and proper tone quality in all registers.
forced quality	Students will avoid forced, breathy, nasal qualities in the singing voice.
nasal quality	
breathy quality	<b>9.1.9.A</b> Know and use the elements and principles of each art form to create works in the arts and humanities.
timbre	9.1.9.B Recognize, know, use, and demonstrate a variety of appropriate arts elements and principles to produce
falsetto	review, and revise original works in the arts.
head voice	9.1.9.C Integrate and apply advanced vocabulary to the arts forms.
chest voice	9.1.9.G Analyze the effect of rehearsal and practice sessions.
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2. Musicality	2. Musicality
conductor cues dynamic contrast phrasing techniques tempo markings articulation markings breathing diction a cappella conducting gestures solfeggio timbre style musicality	Students will understand and respond to director cues. Students will respond to breathing cues. Students will acknowledge the difference between various tempo, dynamic, and articulation markings. Students will provide clear and precise diction. Students will use correct application of expression markings. Students will achieve proper phrasing through breath control.  9.1.9.A Know and use the elements and principles of each art form to create works in the arts and humanities. 9.1.9.B Recognize, know, use, and demonstrate a variety of appropriate arts elements and principles to produce, review, and revise original works in the arts. 9.1.9.C Integrate and apply advanced vocabulary to the arts forms. 9.1.9.G Analyze the effect of rehearsal and practice sessions. 9.1.10.A Know and use the elements and principles of each art form to create works in the arts and humanities. 9.1.10.B Recognize, know, use, and demonstrate a variety of appropriate arts elements and principles to produce
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harmonization note name recognition rhythmic subdivisions flats sharps meter time signature key signature triplet 16th-note pattern musical literacy solfeggio flat	Students will understand and respond to different note names and rhythmic subdivision.  Students will apply warm-up materials to relative sections in repertoire.  Students will sing using accurate melodic contour and an appropriate accuracy of intervals.  9.1.9.A Know and use the elements and principles of each art form to create works in the arts and humanities. 9.1.9.B Recognize, know, use, and demonstrate a variety of appropriate arts elements and principles to produce, review, and revise original works in the arts. 9.1.9.C Integrate and apply advanced vocabulary to the arts forms. 9.1.9.G Analyze the effect of rehearsal and practice sessions. 9.1.9.H incorporate the effective and safe use of materials, equipment, and tools into the production of works in the arts at work and performance spaces. 9.1.10.B Recognize, know, use, and demonstrate a variety of appropriate arts elements and principles to produce, review, and revise original works in the arts. 9.1.10.C Integrate and apply advanced vocabulary to the arts forms. 9.1.10.G Analyze the effect of rehearsal and practice sessions. 9.1.10.H Incorporate the effective and safe use of materials, equipment, and tools into the production of works in the arts at work and performance spaces. 9.1.11.B Recognize, know, use, and demonstrate a variety of appropriate arts elements and humanities. 9.1.11.B Recognize, know, use, and demonstrate a variety of appropriate arts elements and principles to produce, review, and revise original works in the arts. 9.1.11.C Integrate and apply advanced vocabulary to the arts forms. 9.1.11.B Recognize, know, use, and demonstrate a variety of appropriate arts elements and principles to produce, review, and revise original works in the arts. 9.1.11.B Recognize, know, use, and demonstrate a variety of appropriate arts elements and principles to produce, review, and revise original works in the arts. 9.1.11.B Recognize, know, use, and demonstrate a variety of appropriate arts elements and principles to produce, review, and revise origin	

Intonation		
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4. Intonation	4. Intonation	
sharp on-pitch tuner a cappella vowel color adjust blend balance	Students will achieve accuracy in all ranges and registers.  Students will maintain pitch accuracy while performing a capella music.  Students will achieve appropriate blend and balance with other singers in voice part and in entire ensemble.  Students will understand and demonstrate techniques used to maintain proper intonation.  9.1.9.B Recognize, know, use, and demonstrate a variety of appropriate arts elements and principles to produce, review, and revise original works in the arts.  9.1.9.C Integrate and apply advanced vocabulary to the arts forms.  9.1.9.G Analyze the effect of rehearsal and practice sessions.  9.1.9.H Incorporate the effective and safe use of materials, equipment, and tools into the production of works in the arts at work and performance spaces.  9.1.10.A Know and use the elements and principles of each art form to create works in the arts and humanities.  9.1.10.B Recognize, know, use, and demonstrate a variety of appropriate arts elements and principles to produce, review, and revise original works in the arts.  9.1.10.C Integrate and apply advanced vocabulary to the arts forms.  9.1.10.A Incorporate the effective and safe use of materials, equipment and tools into the production of works in the arts at work and performance spaces.  9.1.11.B Recognize, know, use, and demonstrate a variety of appropriate arts elements and principles to produce, review, and revise original works in the arts.  9.1.11.C Integrate and apply advanced vocabulary to the arts forms.  9.1.11.C Integrate and apply advanced vocabulary to the arts forms.  9.1.11.C Integrate and apply advanced vocabulary to the arts forms.  9.1.11.B Recognize, know, use, and demonstrate a variety of appropriate arts elements and principles to produce, review, and revise original works in the arts.  9.1.12.B Recognize, know, use, and demonstrate a variety of appropriate arts elements and principles to produce, review, and revise original works in the arts.  9.1.12.C Integrate and apply advanced vocabulary to the arts forms.  9.1.12.C	

Rehearsal and Performance Strategies		
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memorization poise stage etiquette attire self-control mandatory attendance a cappella diverse repertoire cultural context historical context style critical analysis aesthetic analysis genre dependability musical expectations	Students will perform stylistically diverse choral music.  Students will memorize all material.  Students will have an understanding of proper concert etiquette.  Students will demonstrate appropriate rehearsal expectations in regards to behavior and active participation.  Students will demonstrate self-control, dependability, and poise in all rehearsal and concert settings.  9.1.9.A Know and use the elements and principles of each art form to create works in the arts and humanities.  9.1.9.B Recognize, know, use, and demonstrate a variety of appropriate arts elements and principles to produce, review, and revise original works in the arts.  9.1.9.C Integrate and apply advanced vocabulary to the arts forms.  9.1.9.F Analyze works of arts influenced by experiences or historical and cultural events through production, performance, or exhibition.  9.1.9.F Analyze works of arts influenced by experiences or historical and cultural events through production, performance, or exhibition.  9.1.10.A Know and use the elements and principles of each art form to create works in the arts and humanities.  9.1.10.B Recognize, know, use, and demonstrate a variety of appropriate arts elements and principles to produce, review, and revise original works in the arts.  9.1.10.C Integrate and apply advanced vocabulary to the arts forms.  9.1.10.D Demonstrate specific styles in combination through the production or performance of a unique work of art (e.g., a dance composition that combines jazz dance and African dance).  9.1.10.F Analyze works of arts influenced by experiences or historical and cultural events through production, performance, or exhibition.  9.1.10.G Analyze the effect of rehearsal and practice sessions.  9.1.11.A Know and use the elements and principles of each art form to create works in the arts and humanities.  9.1.11.B Recognize, know, use, and demonstrate a variety of appropriate arts elements and principles to produce, review, and revise original works in the arts.  9.1.11.C Integrate and apply advanced vocab	
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