



Newport Mill Middle School Chorus

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Winter Concert Information – Dec. 17th

- 1) **Location:** Albert Einstein High School Auditorium;
11135 Newport Mill Rd, Kensington, MD 20895

- 2) **Call Times:** Tuesday 12/17/19:

Advanced Treble Chorus (Pd. 6)	students need to arrive at 6:00 pm
Men’s Chorus (Pd. 1)	students need to arrive at 6:10 pm
Intermediate Treble Chorus (Pd. 7)	students need to arrive at 6:20 pm
Beginning Chorus (Pd. 2 & 3)	students need to arrive at 6:30 pm

The house opens at 6:45pm for audience seating
Winter Concert begins at 7:00pm in the Auditorium

Students should arrive no later than the time mentioned above. We will line up, warm up, and review concert etiquette and procedures. **The concert starts at 7:00pm.** We will be finished by approximately 8:00pm. Parents, we hope you’ll be joining us, but if you will not be attending the concert, please arrange for your student’s ride to be at the school by 8:00pm.

3) **Concert attire:**

Uniforms: Beginning Chorus

<i>Young men will be required to wear:</i>	<i>Young women will be required to wear:</i>
Long sleeve collared button up white shirt	White dress shirt or blouse
Black dress slacks (no jeans please)	Black dress skirt (ankle or floor length)
Black socks	OR black pants (no jeans please)
Black dress shoes (no tennis shoes)	Black dress shoes (no tennis shoes)

Uniforms: Men’s Chorus

Intermediate AND Advanced Treble Chorus

<i>Young men will be required to wear:</i>	<i>Young women will be required to wear:</i>
Long sleeve collared button up black shirt	Black dress shirt or blouse
Black dress slacks (no jeans please)	Black dress skirt (ankle or floor length)
Black socks	OR black pants (no jeans please)
Black dress shoes (no tennis shoes)	Black dress shoes (no tennis shoes)



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If you do not own the above clothing, try to find or borrow it for the concert. To answer the question – “Is something an alternative substitute?” If I will notice the difference, it’s probably not acceptable. If I will not notice the slightly different item, then it will probably be ok. Remember; do not wear sneakers/tennis shoes, jeans, and **NO CHEWING GUM!**

4) **Concert grade:** (*from the Choral Handbook*)

Concerts are the culmination of your learning experience in chorus class. Because of this, **attendance at all chorus performances and rehearsals is mandatory**. Students will be evaluated and given a grade for each performance. If a student is ill or where extenuating circumstances apply, the child will be considered excused from the activity upon notification from the parent or guardian. (**I would ask that you notify me directly before the performance, but no later than twenty-four hours after the performance**). If the student has been excused from a concert, the points may be earned by completing an alternative assignment. It will be the responsibility of the student to get the assignment from me as soon as possible. Should the student fail to complete the assignment, or if an absence is unexcused, the points will be forfeited.

See the NMMS Chorus Handbook / pg. 5 for more information. Contact Mr. Bowden if you have any questions or concerns.

5) **Students:** you’ve worked hard for this upcoming evening. Don’t let any distractions (gum, talking, tennis shoes) distract the audience from your singing! Most importantly, have fun! The audience gets to hear your songs *one* time. Make sure it’s your best!

6) **Parents:** Please plan on joining us for an evening of great music! Hope to see you there!

Thanks again for everyone’s hard work and commitment through these busy few weeks! I look forward to seeing everyone soon, and we hope you enjoy the concert! Thanks!

