# Wallenpaupack Area School District Planned Course Curriculum Guide

# **High School Fine Arts Department**

# Choir

# **Course Description:**

Choir is a mixed voice choral group encompassing students from grades 9-12. Vocal pedagogy, music reading, and correct choral singing are a part of the total experience.

Initial Creation Date (if applicable) and Revision Dates:

Revised: 9/27/23

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COURSE: Choir	GRADE/S: 9-12
UNIT 1: Marking Periods 1 & 2	TIMEFRAME: Year long, every other day, 84
	minutes

# PA COMMON CORE/NATIONAL STANDARDS:

9.1.12.A

9.1.12.B

9.1.12.C

9.1.12.G

# **UNIT OBJECTIVES (SWBATS):**

- Perform secular and historically sacred music from various periods of history with understanding and artistry
- Perform music in at least one foreign language
- Perform music in a variety of styles
- Develop proper vocal technique through the choral medium
- Increase their musical skills in sight reading and aural awareness
- Sing with proper posture
- Give a performance

# **INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES/ACTIVITIES:**

- Large group rehearsal
- Sectional rehearsal
- Sight singing
- Echoing
- Rehearsing in varied groups
- Rehearsing in mixed formation
- Vocal warm-ups

## ASSESSMENTS (Diagnostic/Benchmark/Formative/Summative):

- Director observation/analysis
- Peer analysis
- Vocal Exam/Concert performance
- Submission of auditions
- Written reflections on concert performances and/or topics related to repertoire.

# **DIFFERENTIATED INSTRUCTION (Acceleration/Enrichment):**

Students who are advanced have the opportunity to audition for extra-curricular groups including Chamber Choir, Show Choir, and PMEA District, Region, and State level festivals.

# **RESOURCES (Technology Based Resources, Text Resources, etc.):**

Piano

White board

Practice recordings

Sheet music

Practice videos/recordings

## **KEY VOCABULARY:**

- Solfege
- Articulation
- Dynamics
- Melisma
- Canon
- Melody
- Harmony
- A capella

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