

Eastern Shore Choral Directors' Association

All Shore Choral Contract

The Eastern Shore Choral Directors' Association, ESCDA, offers middle and high school students the opportunity to participate in All Shore Chorus, under the direction of outstanding choral conductors from throughout the region. This experience is not only musical, but is educational and social as well. Such an activity requires a great deal of responsibility and work from all participants involved including, but not limited to, teachers, students and guardians. Therefore, it is important that all members, and their parents, understand the regulations and policies of the All-Shore Chorus.

- 1.) Every All Shore Chorus member must be enrolled in a school choir throughout the course of the current school year.
- 2.) Chorus members must arrive at all scheduled rehearsals on time, and remain until the entire chorus is dismissed. Tardiness due to an extreme emergency will be given special consideration. Absence from any portion of a rehearsal is not permitted.
- 3.) Chorus members are expected to know all of the notes and rhythms, in their voice part, for every piece. Lack of proper preparation may result in dismissal from the All Shore Chorus.
- 4.) Courtesy, respect, and mannerly conduct are expected from each Chorus member during every rehearsal. Unnecessary talking, gum chewing, or any other disruptive behaviors are not permitted.
- 5.) Juvenile pranks and vandalism will not be tolerated. The student and their guardian will be held responsible for any damage caused by the student.
- 6.) Drinking or possession of any controlled substance is strictly prohibited. A note from guardian or medical authority must accompany any drugs needed for medical reasons.
- 7.) Chorus members are subject to all rules and regulations of the host school.
- 8.) School appropriate attire must be worn at all rehearsals. Appropriate concert attire must be worn for the All Shore Chorus Concert. Please refer to the "All Shore Concert Attire" form.
- 9.) All music for the concert is property of the ESCDA. Each chorus member must return the music before leaving the stage area, at the end of the concert. Student will be charged the purchase price for any music that is not returned.
- 10.) A Student Participation fee is required from each chorus member in order to participate in the All Shore Chorus. This fee helps to defer the cost of meals and student awards for the event as well as providing each singer with two complimentary concert tickets.
- 11.) A student who for any reason cannot participate in the All-Shore Chorus must notify their school choral director as soon as possible so an alternate may be selected.

Failure to comply with any of the above stated regulations will result in dismissal from the Chorus. In the event that action becomes necessary, the student will be asked to return home and his or her school will be notified. Parents will be asked to arrange suitable, and immediate, transportation home for those dismissed. No further responsibility will be assumed by ESCDA.