

2025-2026 School Year Lexington High School Choir

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Course Mission: We reach for excellence in music while maintaining unity and life long relationships.

Objective and Description - This course is designed to teach the following:

- Proper singing technique to ensure healthy use of the voice
- Music reading skills including notes, rhythms, dynamics, tempo and style
- Ensemble unity: balance and tuning, expressive communication between group members, work as a team to accomplish excellence
- Proper concert behavior and etiquette

Grading Procedures –

Quarter Grades will be figured using the following criteria:

- Daily Grades: 60%
 - Consistent on-task behavior in daily rehearsal
 - Consistent demonstration of proper singing technique
 - Consistent demonstration of proper music reading
 - Daily assignments, quizzes and tests
- Concerts/Performances: 40%
 - Attendance and Participation in scheduled performances (Schedule below)
 - Demonstrate Daily Singing criteria in a performance situation
 - Demonstrate excellence in concert behavior and etiquette

Semester Grades will be figured using the following criteria:

First Quarter Grade: 45%
Second Quarter Grade: 45%
Semester Test Grade: 10%

All school rules and policies apply to the choir classroom and are expected to be followed as part of "on-task behavior". School rules also apply any time the choir is required to meet outside of normal school hours such as concerts, contests, field trips and other activities.

Concert Attire:

- The Lexington Choir wears robes for each performance – robes are provided by the school and will be assigned to each student
 - Students will be **required** to wear the following under their choir robe:
 - White Shirt
 - Black Pants – *Dress Pants, Slacks, "Khaki" Pants (black)* are acceptable. NO Jeans, Sweats, Warm-Up Pants or anything similar
 - Black Dressy Shoes with Black Socks – NO SNEAKERS OR ATHLETIC SHOES
- Remember – when you wear a choir robe you are "in uniform". This is not a fashion show. You are part of an ensemble and expected to look the part.

Required Dates

(Dates may be added to the calendar as the school year progresses)

FIRST SEMESTER

- Sept. 26th, Monday (all day plus early evening):** LHS Choir to UNK for "UNK Choral Day". Combine with other choirs for rehearsal with a performance that evening. Final schedule will be handed out the week prior. Parents are welcome to the performance.
- Nov. 11th, Tuesday (afternoon):** Possible performance for Veteran's Day. TBD
- Dec. 15th, Monday (evening):** High School winter concert with the band. Held in the LHS east gym. Students report by 6:45, concert begins at 7pm. Open to the public. This is a required performance and essential to passing the class.

SECOND SEMESTER

- Jan. 26th, Monday (all day plus early evening):** UNK Honor Choir (and honor band). This is an audition-only participation. Mark this date for each of our students who may pass the audition.
- Feb. 26th, Thursday (all day):** Tenor/Bass workshop at Kearney High School. A great learning experience and a fun day singing with other schools.
- Feb. 27th, Friday (evening):** VARIETY SHOW performance. This is an audition-only performance opportunity. Please consider auditioning to be part of this event!
- Mar. 19th, Thursday (all day):** Soprano/Alto workshop at Kearney High School. A great learning experience and a fun day singing with other schools.
- April 13th, Monday (evening):** LHS spring concert with the band. Held in the LHS east gym. Students report by 6:45, concert begins at 7pm. Open to the public. This is a required performance and essential to passing the class.