

PERFORMANCE ATTENDANCE

South Central Middle School Choirs

Student attendance at concerts is mandatory.

ANY absence from a concert, regardless of reason, is **unexcused**, and results in a **two-letter grade reduction for the nine weeks** unless it is "made up." In the event of an absence from a concert, the following policy is in place:

~ The student will complete a research paper (subject selected by the director). You, the student, are responsible for requesting the materials to complete this assignment.

~ Upon completion and on-time submission of the project, a grade will be assessed. **If the work is satisfactory** (for example, the paper shows insight, and does not violate ANY school guidelines with regard to plagiarism/cheating), full credit will be restored to the student's grade.

If the work is less than satisfactory, partial credit will be assigned accordingly.

Remember: Concerts are our "exams."

This policy is in direct alignment with all other classes which involve taking exams. Our concerts are our exams -- only, it is impossible to make up a concert. Therefore, this alternate assignment will take the place of the performance. Not making up a test results in a zero on that particular exam.

Best thing to do? JUST BE THERE.

You signed up for this course knowing that our daily rehearsals culminate in a performance. You are expected to follow through on that commitment.

Again, to be clear: Any student who misses a performance MUST complete the research paper assignment to avoid the two-letter grade reduction, regardless of the reason for the absence.

A student who misses both concerts unexcused in the same year shall not be permitted to join choir the following year.