

**CAROLINA YOUTH CHORALE**  
**2021-2022 INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION**

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**Fees and Deadlines:**

Registration fee: \$25. **This fee is nonrefundable.**

Tuition for choir year 2021-2022: \$150, due upon acceptance to the choir (This may be made in two payments if needed – \$75 upon acceptance, \$75 by September 15, 2021)

**Auditions:**

The administrator will contact you regarding an audition appointment up receipt of the application.

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**CHEA Singers is an organization that relies on parental help to function. CYC parents are required to serve in at least one job for CYC for your child to participate.** Please read the items below carefully. We take this commitment to our choristers seriously and ask that you and your children take it seriously also.

**Things to consider:** A choir is a team effort that depends on each member doing his part to work toward the group's success as well as his own personal growth. CYC is the apex of our graded choir program, and a high quality of work and product is expected. Please consider carefully whether involvement in choir is appropriate for your child.

Being in a choir involves more than just fitting rehearsal time into your schedule. Practice at home is required. Having singers drop out of choir mid-year is not fulfilling the commitment you agree to when you sign the CHEA Singers application documents and brings hardship on the other choir members and the choir's director. No singer is unimportant, and each one is missed when he is absent. Be realistic about adding activities to your schedule and weigh your priorities as you make a decision concerning taking part in choir.

Committed involvement in a choir brings great joy and satisfaction as new skills are learned, new levels of competence are achieved, beautiful music is created, new friends are made, and we become a tool in the Savior's hand to bring His blessing to others. Thank you for thoughtfully considering joining us in this endeavor!

**By registering for the Carolina Youth Chorale, you are agreeing to the following:**

1. Making every effort to miss no more than two (2) rehearsals per semester. We understand illness and injury happen; however, any singer missing multiple rehearsals for any reason will need to show the director, at his request, their readiness to perform well in order to sing in the next concert. *Singers are expected to be present for especially the last two rehearsals before concert. Let Mrs. Hinkelman know IN ADVANCE if you have a conflict.*

Rehearsals are held every Tuesday afternoon from 3:30 to 5:30, tentatively September 9, 2021 – early May.

**\*\*\* Fall break:** Nov. 25, 2021    **Christmas break:** Dec. 14, 2021-Jan. 4, 2022    **Spring break:** Apr. 12, 2022 \*\*\*

2. Parents, please take note of this - Students are expected to be at rehearsal and ready to begin each week at 3:30pm and stay until dismissal time at 5:30pm.

3. A PARENT is to contact Mrs. Hinkelman prior to rehearsal if student will miss rehearsal, be late or leave early, and give the reason. We need to know that a PARENT knows their singer is missing rehearsal or has special circumstances that day. Seniors and super-seniors may take responsibility for this.

4. **Singing in the following performances (Any conflicts should be discussed with Mrs. Hinkelman/Dr. Oldham):**

\*Friday, November 19, 2021 at 7pm - CHEA Singers Combined Choirs Winter Concert

\*Tuesday, December 7, 2021 at 7pm – CYC Christmas Concert

\*Friday, April 29, 2022 at 7pm - CHEA Singers Combined Choirs Spring Concert

\*Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 7pm - CYC Spring Concert

5. Attending a workshop in August, 2021, date and time TBD. It is understood that some families will be on vacations already scheduled, that some dual enrollment students will have class, etc. Please let Mrs. Hinkelman know of any unavoidable conflicts you may have.
6. At least one parent attending the parent meeting, date and time TBD.
7. Following dress code and all Code of Conduct requirements (see below).
8. Parent agreeing to fulfill at least one job for CYC – whatever is assigned to them from their choices on a parent survey and helping with other needs when they are able. (The exception to this is if you have a weekly job for another CHEA choir.)
9. Parent and Student checking email daily. This is our primary method of communication.
10. Student completing any homework assigned each week.

### **CYC Dress Code**

Shorts and skirts should be of modest length, hems to the fingertips a good suggestion. Leggings may be worn with dresses, skirts or tunics that come to the thigh. Tops should be modest, avoiding spaghetti straps, but sleeveless is allowed.

No hats, no underwear showing, no shirts with inappropriate designs or slogans are allowed.

### **Scholarship Fund Opportunity:**

We invite you to consider giving your support to help other homeschooling children in our community to join CHEA Singers. Although our registration fees are considerably lower in comparison to other choral programs in our area, families with multiple children might consider this something their family cannot do at this time. We do not want to create a hardship for anyone and want to welcome all homeschooling children who qualify for membership. Would you consider donating any amount to help another singer join us this fall?

### **To register, complete ALL of the following steps:**

1. Read and consider attached *CHEA Singers Requirements for Participants & Liability Waiver* and *CHEA Singers Code of Conduct*. Sign and return with registration.
2. Print and complete one Student Information form per student. Print one Waiver/Code of Conduct per family (use 2-sided print mode for Waiver/Code of Conduct if possible. For legal purposes, we need all pages printed.)
3. Mail Student Information form(s) **AND** the signed Waiver and Code of Conduct **AND** a check made to *CHEA Singers* for registration fee of \$25 per student (donations to scholarship fund may be included with this and donation amount noted on memo line). Send to our administrator and contact her with any questions:

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