**Friday, August 23, 2019**

To: Choir Parents

From: Mrs. Towns, Choir Director

Greetings parents!!! It gives me great pleasure to serve your child another school year for some and the first time for others, in the area of vocal music. Please know that this year will be an exciting one as I will be begin with exciting classroom instruction and your child with activities and performances that will extend beyond the classroom.

In an effort to continue for some and introduce to others the various areas of involvement and interaction, in terms of neighboring school districts, selected students will audition for the Artists In Training Program of Opera Theatre of St. Louis on the campus of Webster University. In addition, several students will be afforded the opportunity to audition for the St. Louis All Suburban Honor Choir along with being eligible to audition for All State. Needless to say, this will require a lot of hard work. With that said, I will continue to stress the importance of your child to thrive in every area of vocal music studies as for most of the music programs, students will need to be eligible academically so to participate.

In an effort to provide you with a list of scheduled activities, rehearsal dates and performances for the 1st semester, please review the following:

**Monday, August 26, 2019 @ 2:40pm- 4:20pm (After school Rehearsal/ Women’s & Concert Choir)**

**\*\*\*\*\*\*Thursday, September 5, 2019@ 6:30pm- IMPORTANT PARENT MEETING!!!!!!!!**

**Monday, September 9, 2019@ 2:40pm- 4:20pm (After School Rehearsal/ All Suburban & Opera Theatre “Auditionees” ONLY!!!)**

**Thursday, September 12, 2019@2:40pm- 4:20pm (After school rehearsal/ All Suburban Participants & Opera Theatre “Auditionees” ONLY!!!)**

**\*\*\*\*\*\*\*SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH- CARWASH (FUNDRASISER!!!!!!!!)**

**Thursday, September 19, 2019@2:40pm- 4:20pm (After school rehearsal/ All Suburban Participants Only & Opera Theatre “Auditioness” ONLY!!!)**

**Monday, September 23, 2019@2:40pm- 4:20pm (After School rehearsal/ All Suburban participants & Opera Theatre “Auditionees” Only!!!)**

**\*\*\*\*\*\*\*Thursday, September 26, 2019@2:40pm- 4:20pm- (After School Rehearsal/ Opera Theatre “Auditionees” ONLY!!!!) AUDITIONS!!!!! 4pm- 6pm (Webster University/ Opera Theatre of St. Louis, 210 Hazel Ave., St. Louis, Mo. 63119)**

**Monday, September 30, 2019@ 2:40pm- 4:20pm (After School Rehearsal/ All Suburban participants only)**

**Thursday, October 3, 2019@2:40pm- 4:20pm (All Suburban participants only)**

**\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*Saturday, October 5, 2019 (All Suburban Auditions) Time & Location: Marquette High School (HOMECOMING!!!!!!!)**

**Tuesday, October 8, 2019 (Launch of Candy Sell)**

**Thursday, October 10, 2019@ 2:40pm- 4:20pm (After school rehearsal)**

**Friday, October 11, 2019 (NO SCHOOL/ Professional development)**

**Monday, October 14, 2019@2:40pm- 4:20pm (After school rehearsal)**

**Friday, October 18, 2019 (NO SCHOOL) PARENT/ TEACHER CONFERENCES**

**Monday, October 21, 2019@2:40pm- 4:20pm (All Suburban/ All State participants only)**

**Thursday, October 24, 2019@2:40pm- 4:20pm (All Suburban/ All State participants only)**

**Monday, October 28, 2019@6pm (All Suburban Mass Rehearsal) Location: TBA**

**Friday, November 1, 2019@ NO SCHOOL!!!! (PLEASE REVIEW FOR AUDITIONS AT HOME!!!!!)**

**\*\*\*\*\*\*\*Saturday, November 2, 2019 (All Suburban Honor Choir Festival/ All State Auditions) Time & Location (TBA)**

**\*\*\*\*\*\*\* WE WILL MEET AT THE SCHOOL @ 7:30AM!!!**

**Thursday, November 7, 2019@ 2:40pm- 4:20pm (After school rehearsal)**

**Tuesday, November 11, 2019@2:40pm- 4:20pm (After school rehearsal)**

**Thursday, November 14, 2019@2:40- 4:20pm (After school rehearsal)**

**Monday, November 18, 2019@2:40pm- 4:20pm (After school rehearsal)**

**Thursday, November 21, 2019@ 2:40pm- 4:20pm (After School rehearsal)**

**Monday, November 25, 2019@ 2:40pm- 4:20pm (After school rehearsal)**

**Monday, December 2, 2019@2:40pm- 4:20pm (After school rehearsal)**

**Thursday, December 5, 2019@2:40pm – 4:20pm (After school rehearsal/ ALL CHOIRS!!!!!)**

**Monday, December 9, 2019@2:40pm- 4:20pm (After school rehearsal/ Concert/ Women’s/ Mixed Choirs/ ALL CHOIRS!!!!!)**

**Wednesday, December 11, 2019@2:40pm- 4:20pm (After school rehearsal/ Concert/ Women/ Mixed Choir/ ALL CHOIRS!!!!) DRESS REHEARSAL!!!!!**

**\*\*\*\*\*\*\*Thursday, December 12, 2019@7pm (WINTER CONCERT!!!!!!) REPORT TIME: 6PM!!!!!**

**Monday, December 16th- Friday, December 20th (Final Exam Week)**

**\*\*\*\*\*\*\*Monday, December 23rd- December 31st (WINTER BREAK)**

**\*Unless otherwise stated, all after school rehearsals will include both Women’s & Concert Choir**

***\*Dates are subject to change***

**PLEASE NOTE: There should be an adequate amount of uniforms for student participants in Women’s & Concert Choirs. However, if there is a need to order additional uniforms, you will be contacted by the end of October as all students will need a uniform prior to December 12th (Winter Concert)**