

Chorus MPA Performance

MPA = Music Performance Assessment / the "FCAT of Music"
Feb 28, Mar 1, or Mar 2 @ Timber Creek High School

The essentials:

1. This activity is a **REQUIRED** event and each student will receive a grade for his or her involvement.
2. Examine these dates carefully and note them in your calendar -- or on the fridge! Each chorus is assigned a performance date/time about four weeks before the event. We will only participate on one day. I will send home a permission slip as soon as I know these details.
3. Bus transportation will be provided, but parents should be prepared to make special arrangements for their child to attend this important event. Your responsibility may include picking up and/or dropping off your student from Boone, or arranging for them to get a ride with another chorus student.
4. Unless a meal is involved, this field trip will be FREE.
5. I need adult chaperones to ride the bus and supervise students in the auditorium at MPA. Please let me know if you can make the time to chaperone!

All chorus men have after school rehearsals on Feb 4, 11, & 25, from 2:30-4:00pm.

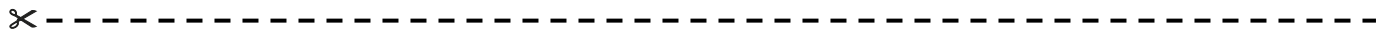
Background on MPA:

All Boone chorus students will perform in an important event called *Chorus MPA*, considered the "FCAT of music." At Chorus MPA, school choirs from around our region perform for distinguished judges. The judges will evaluate their tone, blend, control, intonation, diction, technique, posture, artistry, and stage presence. Each choir receives an overall rating that ranges from one to five, one being the best. They must also sight read (sing music they have never seen before) two exercises as a group in which they are given another rating. Perhaps just as importantly, Boone choir students will also have the opportunity to experience the performances by other high school choirs. This unique occasion only occurs once a year and can't be re-created.

MPA is an incredible and memorable musical experience. It is very important that every chorus member be in attendance. Each choir is a team, and when one team player is not in attendance, the entire team suffers. After working so diligently, it would be unfortunate for a member not to partake in this evaluation. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Respectfully,

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REMOVE, SIGN, AND RETURN THIS SLIP BY FRIDAY, FEB 1 FOR A 100% QUIZ GRADE
Note: An actual permission slip will be sent home once we have our date/times

I understand that my child's participation is required at Chorus MPA, and I am prepared to arrange for their transportation to or from Boone as needed. I know that buses will be provided.

Student Printed Name

Period

Parent Printed Name

X _____
Parent Signature

I may be able to chaperone: Yes No

Parent Cell: _____