Lindenbaum Training Choir Syllabus

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Rehearsal Time and Location: Thursdays at the TLU CHAPEL from 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Course Description:
A training choir for students in grades 1-3. Open to all age-eligible students. The choir learns a wide range of age appropriate choral literature that explores a wide variety of genres, which is performed on recitals and community concerts.

Course Objectives:
(1) To provide members the opportunity for musical expression through disciplined choral rehearsals, sight-reading and public performances. (IGG – Knowing & Doing)
(2) To represent Texas Lutheran University/Mid Texas Symphony Community Music Academy in a manner that embodies the mission statement of the school and the rich choral tradition of the Lutheran Church. (3) To participate in outreach activities and engage in active community service – e.g. perform in hospice facilities, nursing or retirement care facilities, community events etc. (IGG – Becoming)  
(3) To learn to respect, support, and depend on each other musically and personally. (IGG – Becoming)  
(4) To investigate, discover and perform the music of choral traditions from around the world. (IGG – Knowing & Doing)  
(5) To gain performance skills through performance opportunities  
(6) To learn the basic of fundamental musicianship, including basic understanding of rhythm, melody, harmony, timbre, texture and form.

Attendance:
(1) Attendance at all performances is required.  
(2) Attendance at ALL rehearsals (regular, sectional, and extra) is required - (with very few exceptions noted below).
  a) an acceptable reason for an absence from rehearsal might be:
    1) very important family event (e.g. wedding)  
    2) school related activity (e.g. UIL competition)  
    3) unexpected serious medical problems  
    4) family death

(3) Choir members are expected to notify Laurie Jenschke in advance if it becomes necessary to miss a rehearsal.

(4) If you cannot sing due to illness, you are expected to attend choir - even if you sit out and listen to the rehearsal with your music.

(5) If a rehearsal is missed without advance notice, please contact Mrs. Jenschke and explain why.

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(4) It is assumed that you will be in choir for the entire year if you join in the fall.

(5) Following three absences, the instructor reserves the right to drop the student from the choir.