

Lassiter High School Chorus

Brian Williams – Director

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Dear Students and Parents;

This is the plan for Lassiter Chorus at the Choral Performance Evaluations at Burnt Hickory Baptist Church on Monday, March 15, 2010.

Large Group Choral Performance Evaluations is an annual event sponsored by the Georgia Music Educators Association that provides detailed descriptions and recommendations to both choruses and their directors while measuring proficiency against an ‘industry standard.’ In this event, choruses do not compete against one another; there are no winners or losers. The ratings or scores that are earned from the nationally recognized panel of experts encompass Superior, Excellent, Good, Fair, or Poor. Specific indicators critical to choral performance include Tone, Pitch, Rhythm, Blend, Diction, Interpretation as well as Choice of Music and Stage Presence. Concert Chorale, or its equivalent, has a long history of achieving Superior ratings. Only in the last seven years though, have all of the other choirs composing Lassiter Chorus earned the coveted Superior ratings. Our singers have certainly worked diligently towards these accomplishments and are sure to be well rewarded for those efforts.

Parents and the Lassiter community are encouraged to be in attendance at CPE; there is no admission charge and we’d love to have as much audience support as possible. Below, find the scheduled performance times for each choir:

Women’s Chorale – 11:40 am
Women’s Chamber Chorale – 1:00 pm
Lassiter Ladies – 3:40 pm
Men of Troy – 5:40 pm
Concert Chorale – 7:20 pm

Everyone will be transported to the performance site by county provided transportation. The singers in **Women’s Chorale and Women’s Chamber Chorale** will leave Lassiter at **10:00 am** and will return to Lassiter at approximately **5:30 pm**. They will travel by school buses. If parents wish, they may pick up these girls at Burnt Hickory at 5:00 pm. If that occurs, provide Mr. Williams with a note from the parents stating as such. Students may not be transported by other students for this event.

Concert Chorale will leave Lassiter at **1:30 pm** and will **return** at approximately **8:45 pm** on a motor coach. (Trust me; there is a real strong reason for this mode of transportation but not worth going into

on this memo.) Again, if students are not riding the bus back to Lassiter, please provide a note from the parents saying as such.

Currently, I am working with our chaperone coordinator to figure out meals for our students. Please plan on \$7.00 - \$8.00 for something like Chick-fil-A at this point. If the student does not wish to partake of this fare, they are encouraged to bring their own food for the day.

Obviously, all singers will need to have their formal performance attire on the day of the event. They must be in the performance attire before loading the bus to leave Lassiter. Students who do not have their performance attire will not be allowed to participate in the event and must perform a solo make-up evaluation for the director.

This is an event which is part of the Cobb County Choral Curriculum and is considered as an educational Field Trip enhancement. Students are expected to make up all missed assignments within the time frame specified in the agenda.

Once again, thank you for allowing me to teach your children. They are wonderful young musicians who are becoming even better human beings because of the power of choral music!

Sincerely,

Brian Williams
Choral Director