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To: Parents of PGHS choir students for 2018-2019

From: Jim Wilcock, director

Re: Important Information

Thank you for allowing your student to participate in the vocal music program at Pleasant Grove High School. I appreciate your support. We have several concerts and activities planned, many of which are graded. In an effort to avoid conflicts between your family schedule and the course schedule I am sending out this parents guide with the hope that you will get all the important information you need and be able to plan accordingly. **Please check the calendar located on the disclosure document and the enclosed letter for all important dates.**

Rehearsals:

Student Responsibility:

Students need to be at every rehearsal. This is the only time we have to work together as a group. If your student misses a rehearsal for any reason they will need to practice for 30 minutes on their own and submit a signed practice form to receive participation credit for that day. This includes school excused, parent excused or unexcused absences. It also includes students who are "checked out" during rehearsal.

How parents can help:

Please avoid scheduling appointments, activities, trips, or anything during a time that will cause your student to miss rehearsal. The perception that missing rehearsal is ok due to the nature of the class is false. All instruction occurs in class.

Performances:

Student responsibility:

Students need to be at every performance. They are an essential part of the curriculum. Missing a performance is equivalent to missing a final exam. Students will be given sufficient notice of performance dates to arrange their schedules. Missed performances will result in no credit with the exception of extreme circumstances (extreme illness, death or extreme illness in the immediate family, etc.).

How parents can help:

Please check the performance schedule included with this letter and avoid planning trips and activities on these dates. Make up activities will be offered for performances at the discretion of the director.

Expenses:

Student responsibility:

Determined by group. Specific information has been included on a separate sheet.

How parents can help:

Hopefully your student has been saving during the summer months. Payment plans are usually accepted if approved by the director. Please contact me directly for more information.

I will give more detailed information in the disclosure document which will be handed out in August. It was my feeling that if I addressed scheduling now the other issues would not be so critical. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. I look forward to working with you and your students.

Sincerely,
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