

Spring 2017 Session of The Windsor Children's Chorus Information Sheet for New and Existing Members

Practice: First United Methodist Church, 503 Walnut Street, Windsor, CO, Tuesday evenings starting January 17th, 2017 from 5:15 – 6:15

Dues: \$10 is due at the beginning of the semester to help defer the cost of music.

Music for Chorus: Music will be given to kids at practice and will be collected at the end of each practice. Kids are expected to share music. Words to the music will be provided to take home for at home practice.

Attendance:

- We accept members from the age of 4 up.
- We ask for your commitment to the chorus by your attendance and hard work and **come to practices expecting to have fun!**
- New members may join the chorus up to and including the 3rd practice. No new members may join after that time except at the discretion of the director.
- Please note that we do keep attendance to some extent and ask that you miss no more than 4 rehearsals. If a child misses too many rehearsals and/or falls behind they may be asked to not perform in our concert at the discretion of the director. The reason for this is that new voices make it difficult for the choir to “gel”. Attendance is **required** for at least two of the three final practices and the dress rehearsal before the concert, (we understand life happens and the director will make decisions for special circumstances on a case by case basis).
- If you would like to drop kids off and run errands during practice, please sign the kids in (if they are 2nd grade or younger) or for older kids you may text Alise with the kid's name, and your information from the cell phone number you can be reached at in case of emergency. (ie. “dropped off John Doe, I'll be back after practice, Mrs Doe 970-xxx-xxxx”)
- If kid's are unable to attend practice please text Alise to let her know.

Building usage:

- Alise Brown has a key to the church. We will be practicing in the sanctuary and will have the front doors on the northeast corner of the building open for access directly to the sanctuary.
- Parents, if you have small children, or would like to socialize during practice, the nursery is available as long as a parent is with the children. The nursery is located past the bathrooms on the main level. Please help the kids put things away as you found them when you arrived.
- If you do wish to stay in the sanctuary during practice please keep conversation to a minimum so that the kids can focus.
- The bathrooms are down the stairs from the sanctuary, past the office.
- When leaving the sanctuary to other parts of the church please be aware that there are usually other meetings taking place and to be conscious of noise level as sound really carries from the entryway and upper walkway of the church.
- We have use of the piano but need to be careful not to place anything on it or lean against it.
- At times there may be meetings in the basement below the sanctuary and so children are expected not to jump off the stage or run around the sanctuary. We appreciate parent's help with this.

Performances: 2017 Spring concert is tentatively set for Friday, May 5th at 6:30pm, with a matinee performance on Sunday, May 7th at 2pm

Dress for performances: Boys: Black pants, white shirt (tie depending on event)
Girls: Black shirt, with black bottom (pants, skirts)

Dress Rehearsals: We normally sing at Good Sam Water Valley within the week or two preceding the concert. We usually schedule this on a Monday night.

Director: Alise Brown 970-313-3200 (text or voice)