

## Pure Treble/Harmony Goals & Expectations 2013-2014

### Rehearsals:

- It is extremely important that singers come to rehearsals regularly. We are learning a great deal of music in a short period of time and singers need to be present to learn their parts. Choral singing is much like a sports team. Practicing skills together makes for a strong team. Check the calendar and plan accordingly. Dress rehearsals (the rehearsal prior to the concert) and concerts are **mandatory**.
- If your child must miss a rehearsal due to illness, please call or text 508 333-2655 and leave a message or email: [puretrebleharmony@sscmusic.org](mailto:puretrebleharmony@sscmusic.org).
- New this year, Pure Treble and Pure Harmony will be singing with the Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra during their Holiday Pops concert on Dec. 14th. Note that this is in addition to their concert on Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please make sure you can commit to two dress rehearsals on Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> as well as the concert on the 14<sup>th</sup>. Also note that there may be religious music on the program. The Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> concert is free, but tickets must be purchased through the Plymouth Philharmonic for the Holiday Pops concert.
- Also new, both Pure Treble and Pure Harmony will be singing with The African Children's Choir in February. You will notice that this has affected the calendar. We have only four rehearsals in which to learn the music before rehearsing with them on 2/9 and performing with them on 2/10. Please make every effort to get your child to all of these rehearsals.
- The final semester will be our typical 12 weeks, with our final concert in June.
- If a child misses more than two rehearsals in a semester, they may not be able to sing in the concert. The decision will be made on a case-by-case basis and is at the discretion of Ms. McMinn.
- Pure Treble members should arrive around 4:15 to check in. Warm-ups begin promptly at 4:30. Rehearsal ends promptly at 5:45. Pure Harmony begins promptly at 6:00 and ends at 7:15.
- Please walk your child into the Ellison Center and come in to get them after rehearsals.
- Due to the size of the rehearsal space, parents will not be able to stay in the rehearsal room during rehearsals.
- Children may bring water bottles.
- No gum, please.
- Please have your child use the bathroom before rehearsal.
- If they must have a cell phone please make sure it is OFF during the rehearsal.

- The music your child has been issued is the property of the South Shore Conservatory and will be collected. Please make sure they take good care of it. They may mark the music in **pencil only**.

### **Concert Dress:**

**Girls:** black skirt (below the knee) or black pants, long sleeve white blouse, black shoes and black tights, nylons or socks. No tennis shoes, sandals, or boots.

**Boys:** black dress pants, long sleeve white shirt, plain dark color tie, black shoes and black socks. No sneakers, sandals, or boots.

### **Weather Related Closings:**

South Shore Conservatory will determine, based on the weather conditions, whether the Duxbury campus will be open and whether rehearsals will be held. **This is a change to existing policy; we will no longer be following the public school closings in the respective communities.** There will be a message on the telephone greeting announcing the conditions. Staff, faculty members and students may call the Duxbury Campus at [781-934-2731](tel:781-934-2731), to find out if rehearsal is cancelled. All weather announcements will also be posted on our website, [www.sscmusic.org](http://www.sscmusic.org), and, in the event of closings/delays, notification shall also be on **WATD, 95.9 FM radio**. In the event of an early closing after school has begun for the day, or if classes are cancelled in the morning and we subsequently open in the afternoon, we will post the closing message on the telephone greeting and on our website between 12:00 noon and 1:00 PM. Cancelled rehearsals will generally not be rescheduled.

### **Refunds**

There are no refunds on ensembles.