

2020-21 Hi-Style Handbook and Contract for Students and Parents

Weekly Rehearsals

- Thursday Evenings: Set-up at 5pm, Rehearsal 5:30-8:30pm beginning August 27 through February 18.
- Wednesday Mornings: 7:50-8:35am beginning October 28 through February 17.
- **See Calendar for full list of rehearsals and performances.**
- When there is a late start due to weather, we will not have morning rehearsal. If school is released early due to weather, we will not have evening rehearsal.
- The expectation is that every member will be at all rehearsals. **Any absence must be conveyed directly to Mrs. Anderson via email at least 24 hours before the rehearsal** (sarah.anderson@linnmar.k12.ia.us).
- Morning rehearsals are not to be missed due to making up tests or quizzes. Plan ahead to make those things up after rehearsal or on a different morning.
- Rehearsal BEGINS at the scheduled time. Please arrive early in order to be on time.
- **Frequent tardiness or absences may result in removal from Hi-Style.**

Camps

Because so much learning and advancement occurs at these extended camps, it is crucial for every member to clear her schedule and be in attendance. Few exceptions are allowed and must be communicated to Mrs. Anderson at least one week before the camp begins.

August Choreography Camps

*****Wear a black t-shirt and bring a white t-shirt for August 24*****

- Monday, August 24, 4:30-9pm
- Friday, August 28, 4:30-9pm
- Saturday, August 29, 10am-5pm

Other Camp Dates

- Tuesday, October 6, 4:30-9pm
- Thursday, October 8, 4:30-9pm
- Tuesday, November 17, 4:30-9pm
- Friday, December 4, 4:30-9pm
- Friday, December 11, 4:30-9pm
- Thursday, January 7, 4:30-9pm

Non-Competitive Performances

While the following performances are not competitive, they are crucial to the development of the show. Being excused from these performances must be arranged with Mrs. Anderson at least one week prior to the date.

- Get In The Spirit: Saturday, December 19
 - This day will include pictures in the afternoon (more specific times TBD) and two performances: 5:30pm and 8pm.
- Show Choir Finale Performances: Friday, March 26 & Saturday, March 27. Times TBD.

Competitive Performances

These performances and competitions require the whole group to be in attendance. **An unexcused absence from one of these performances may result in dismissal from the group.**

- Ankeny Centennial Mid-Iowa Show Choir Championships, Ankeny, IA: January 9, 2021
- Linn-Mar Supernova: January 16, 2021 (exhibition show and volunteering)
- Prairie Premiere, Cedar Rapids, IA: January 30, 2021
- Naperville North Show Choir Competition, Naperville, IL: February 13, 2021
 - We will travel to Naperville on Friday, February 12, stay overnight in a hotel, and return on the buses at the end of the competition.
- Indianola Show Choir Encounter, Indianola, IA: February 20, 2021
 - In Step and Hi-Style will attend this competition. 10th Street Edition will attend a different competition the following weekend.

Grades

Hi-Style members are expected to pass all classes. If a student fails a first quarter class, they will be removed from one non-competitive show. **If a student fails a semester class, they will be removed from the group to focus on schoolwork.**

Fees

Fees cover the bulk of costuming needs, including clothing, shoes, and accessories. These items then become property of the student at the end of show choir season. A portion of the fee also covers travel and hotel to our out-of-state competition.

\$375 – Costume

\$125 – Travel and hotel

\$500.00—Total

Payments

\$ 250.00 due to Linn-Mar High School on **September 11, 2020**

\$ 250.00 due to Linn-Mar High School on **October 30, 2020**

Please make all payments payable to Linn-Mar High School and take them to Joyce Dayton in the Cashier's office next to the 11/12 office. **Directors will not collect any payments.** If you need a more flexible payment plan, please contact Mrs. Buelt (kbuelt@linnmar.k12.ia.us) to make arrangements. If you find yourself needing help financially, please talk to Mrs. Buelt about scholarship opportunities.

Communication

We will often use Facebook to communicate with students and parents. This is a great place to share announcements, resources, pictures, videos, and interact with others in the LMHS show choir community. We encourage all parents to be members of the parent Facebook group. If your student does not have Facebook, you are able to join the student group to help monitor those updates, but we want to keep the student group primarily for the students.

Dates Compiled (All events at LMHS unless otherwise indicated):

***These dates do not include our regular weekly rehearsals.**

- August 24, 4:30-9pm: Choreography Camp
- August 28, 4:30-9pm: Choreography Camp
- August 29, 10am-4pm: Choreography Camp
- September 3: Start of Thursday evening rehearsals. Set-up at 5pm, rehearsal 5:30-8:30pm, tear down 8:30-9
- October 1: No rehearsal (Homecoming Parade)
- October 6 & 8, 4:30-9pm: Choreography Camps
- October 15: No rehearsal (Upper Class Choir Concert)
- October 28: Start of Wednesday morning rehearsals, 7:50-8:35am
- November 17, 4:30-9pm: Camp with Hi-Style Band
- November 19: No rehearsal (All-State Festival)
- November 26: No rehearsal (Thanksgiving)
- December 4, 4:30-9pm: Camp with Hi-Style Band & Crew
- December 10: No rehearsal (Holiday Concert)
- December 11, 4:30-9pm: Camp with Hi-Style Band, Crew, and Costumes
- December 19, All Day: Get In The Spirit Pictures & Performances
- December 24 & 31: No rehearsal (Winter Break)
- January 7, 4:30-9pm: Camp with Hi-Style Band, Crew, and Costumes
- January 9: Ankeny Centennial Mid-Iowa Show Choir Championships, Ankeny, IA
- January 16: Linn-Mar Supernova (exhibition show and volunteering)
- January 30: Prairie Premiere, Cedar Rapids, IA
- February 9, 5:30-8:30pm: Additional rehearsal
- February 11: No rehearsal (Vocal Concert)
- February 13: Naperville North Show Choir Competition, Naperville, IL
- February 20: Indianola Show Choir Encounter, Indianola, IA
- March 22: Final Show Choir Rehearsal, 6:00pm (with In-Step and 10th Street)
- March 26 & March 27, times TBD: Show Choir Finale Performances

Hi-Style 2020-2021 Contract

Due August 29

Please initial below:

_____ We have read the information in this contract and have put all dates on our calendar.

_____ We have communicated with Mrs. Anderson about any known conflicts with the calendar.

_____ We understand that unexcused absences may result in not being able to perform at certain performances or dismissal from the team.

_____ We understand we are responsible for the payments as described and we will communicate with Mrs. Buelt about payments if needed.

We have read and discussed what is involved in accepting a position for Hi-Style for the 2020 – 2021 season as laid out in this contract. We understand this commitment.

_____ (student name) will be accepting this spot in Hi-Style with all of the expectations of this commitment. **Signed contract is due to Mrs. Anderson by August 29.**

Parent/Guardian Signature

Student Signature

Date

Date