

FDC Parent Info

What you need to know about Friend de Coup...

Auditions:

❖ **Friday, September 24, 4:00-8:00 PM (check-in starts at 3:30pm)**

- Students who are in grades 9–12 during the 2021-2022 school year AND enrolled in choir are eligible to audition. Students will learn the vocal material and dance material for the audition during the Learn Nights. Practice materials are posted on www.kernelchoirs.com Students will sing in front of all auditionees and judges in the Choir Room. Then students will move to the stage to perform the dance audition. Students will be broken into groups of 3 to 4 and perform the dance 2 or 3 times for the judges. Students must stay for the entirety of the auditions. Audition results will be released on Saturday, 9/25, on www.kernelchoirs.com

You Made It!

• **Orientation & Welcome Night!**

- **Thursday, September 30th @ 6:53 PM**
- Students & Parents
- PAC

Dates:

**Regular Rehearsals are M, T, Th from 6:53-9:30 PM unless otherwise noted.*

SEPTEMBER				
21	Tuesday	6:53-9:30 PM	FDC Auditions: Learn Night	PAC Stage
23	Thursday	6:53-9:30 PM	FDC Auditions: Learn Night	PAC Stage
24	Friday	3:45-9:00 PM	FDC Auditions	PAC Stage/Choir Room
30	Thursday	6:53-9:30 PM	FDC Orientation & Welcome (Parents & Students)	PAC
OCTOBER				
4	Monday	6:53-9:30 PM	FDC Rehearsals Start	
NOVEMBER				
5-6	Fri.-Sat.	TBA	FDC Retreat	PAC

15	Monday	6:53-10:00 PM	FDC Workshop w/ Allen Chapman	PAC Stage
16	Tuesday	6:53-10:00 PM	FDC Workshop w/ Allen Chapman	PAC Stage
27-28	Fri.-Sat.	9:00 AM-6:00 PM	FDC Choreo. w/ Stephen	TBA
DECEMBER				
29	Monday	6:00-10:00 PM	Up With Show Dress Rehearsal	PAC Stage
30	Tuesday	6:00-10:00 PM	Up With Show Dress Rehearsal	PAC Stage
2-4	Thurs.-Sat.	TBA	Up With Show	PAC Stage
27	Monday	9:00 AM-6:00 PM	FDC Choreo. w/ Stephen	PAC Stage
28	Tuesday	9:00 AM-6:00 PM	FDC Choreo. w/ Stephen	PAC Stage
29	Wednesday	9:00 AM-6:00 PM	FDC Choreo. w/ Stephen	PAC Stage
30	Thursday	9:00 AM-6:00 PM	FDC Choreo. w/ Stephen	PAC Stage
31	Friday	9:00 AM-6:00 PM	FDC Choreo. w/ Stephen	PAC Stage
JANUARY				
1	Saturday	9:00 AM-6:00 PM	FDC Choreo. w/ Stephen	PAC Stage
10	Monday	6:53-10:00 PM	FDC Workshop w/ Allen Chapman	PAC Stage
11	Tuesday	6:53-10:00 PM	FDC Workshop w/ Allen Chapman	PAC Stage
17	Monday	TBA	FDC Workshop w/ John Burlace	PAC Stage
22	Saturday	9:00 AM-6:00 PM	FDC Rehearsal	PAC Stage
25	Tuesday	7:00 PM	FDC Community Show	PAC
29	Saturday	TBA	FDC Competition #1	Omaha, NE
FEBRUARY				
4-6	Fri.-Sun.	TBA	FDC Competition #2	Troy, MO
12	Saturday	TBA	FDC Competition #3	Sioux Falls
MARCH				
5	Saturday	TBA	FDC Competition #4	Sioux City, IA
10-13	Thurs.-Sun.	TBA	FDC Competition #5	Wheaton, IL
19	Saturday	TBA	Mitchell Show Choir Classic	PAC
APRIL				

2	Saturday	TBA	Show Choir Live Qualifier	PAC
4	Monday	TBA	Dinner Theater Dress Rehearsal	PAC
5	Tuesday	TBA	Dinner Theater Dress Rehearsal	PAC
7-9	Saturday	TBA	Dinner Theater	PAC
16	Saturday	TBA	Show Choir Live Championship (tentative)	PAC

Fundraising & Volunteering:

- No Pay-to-Play
- Fundraising Requirement: \$200
- Volunteer Requirement: 20 hours
- Events
 - Up With Show
 - Classic
 - Cabaret (Dinner Theater)

Rehearsals:

- Students must attend all rehearsals, unless they are sick from school that day and/or they have completed the Absence Form at least 2-weeks in advance and Mr. McGraw has approved their absence.
- Extra Rehearsals are at the discretion of the director and are mandatory if the date is given at least 2 weeks in advance.

Absences:

- If a student has a conflict with a rehearsal, the student must complete the absence form at least two weeks in advance and then Mr. McGraw will approve or deny their request.
- 1 unexcused absence results in sitting out of an event.
- 2 unexcused absences results in removal from the ensemble. 3 tardies equals 1 unexcused absence. No exceptions. (An absence is considered to be missing more than 1/2 of a rehearsal/performance, a tardy is arriving any time after the start of rehearsal/event.
- Missing a performance is only acceptable in emergencies and a parent/guardian must email Mr. McGraw regarding the emergency.

Eligibility:

- Mitchell High School applies academic and code of conduct eligibility rules to all extra-curricular activities, including show choir. If your child

is academically ineligible or violates the Code of Conduct at the time of a trip or performance, the student will not allowed to participate.

- Each performer must be currently enrolled in a curricular choral ensemble at MHS. Failure to do so will result in removal from Show Choir.

Communication:

Mr. McGraw's Contact Info:

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605-995-7778 (office)

Remind

In-Person Meetings

www.kernelchoirs.com



Attendance Addendum

Long-Term [Excused] Absence Policy:

When a student misses 10 rehearsals during the course of a season (October through April) and those absences are excused (bereavement, illness, behavior, etc.) it triggers the Long-Term Absence Policy.

Absence 1 – 9: Covered as part of our regular absence policy.

Absence 10: Triggers the Long-Term Absence Policy

Absence 11 & 12: Long Term Probation, conference with Mr. McGraw and parents

Absence 13: Student is removed from the ensemble. This is both for the benefit of ensemble as well as giving the absent student time to focus on school, health, discipline, etc.

NOTE: This includes all types of generally excused absences. Notes from the Doctor, Law Enforcement or School Officials will not change the triggering of the Policy.

EXCEPTIONS: The only potential exception to this policy would be considered activity/athletic absences through the High School or DWU.

Parent Signature: _____ DATE: _____

Student Signature: _____ DATE: _____

Friend de Coup Show Choir Audition/Participation Contract

I, _____ (student) understand the expectations involved with being a part of the Friend de Coup show choir and I will adhere to all schedules

and regulations related to it. I also understand that failure to be eligible or failure to attend rehearsals without parent consent will result in removal from the group at the director's discretion. A warning of impending removal will be given before removal is enacted if the removal is based on discipline. If the removal is eligibility related, no notice is necessary. The director reserves the right to remove a student at any time based on his discretion.

I, _____ (parent), know that my student is auditioning for the Friend de Coup Show Choir. If chosen, they will be required to attend specified rehearsals and performances related to show choir. I realize that my student must be eligible to participate (see above) Also, any monetary or volunteer commitments must be met (in a given timeline). I understand that failure to do so will result in the student's removal from the group. See student information above.

Parent Signature:

_____ Date: _____

Student Signature:

_____ Date: _____