



Greetings Teen Choir Members!

We are busy getting ready for the summer season and excited about how best to highlight the choir. We will be continuing with the rehearsal process that was implemented last summer.

This year Joshua Larson will be the Staging Director and we are thrilled to have Emily Sternfeld-Dunn once again be joining us as the Musical Director.

In addition to being required to attend all rehearsals and performances for the choir(s) you sign up for, you will need to come prepared. This includes having your music printed out, your part learned, and the music memorized. Starting on May 1, each medley will be available on our website where you can download and print out the sheet music. You will also be able to listen to a recording of each part, as well as the entire medley with the accompaniment.

The choir will rehearse on Mondays from 2:00pm-6:00pm and then on dress rehearsal Tuesdays from 5:30pm-dress rehearsal. This will free up weekends for choir members and give families a little more freedom during the summer while still being involved with MTWichita.

We will be having short-sleeved tees again this year as our shirt. Each choir member will be given one shirt for the entire summer. Replacement or extra shirts will need to be purchased from MTWichita. Each choir member will be required to wear **nice blue jeans (not baggy and no holes)**. We will be tucking in our shirts, so a black belt and black shoes and black socks (that cover your ankles) will also be required.

If you are involved with the show as a teen performer or Apprentice, we highly encourage you to be a part of the teen choir at the same time. With the current rehearsal schedule, there may be certain departments a choir member can't work in while running the show and being in the teen choir. More information will be provided closer to the summer regarding which departments Apprentices can work in during the performance weeks and still be able to perform with teen choir.

On the back of this page are the rules and standards for the teen choir along with the rehearsal schedule throughout the summer. Please read and respond back to me that you have read the rules and agree to them as being a part of the teen choir. Please also include what shirt size you will be wearing along with the anticipated choirs you will be participating in. **Please respond by Wednesday, May 1.** See example below.

Example:

Joshua Larson has read and agrees to the rules of teen choir 2019

Shirt size: Large

Choirs participating in: #1, #3, and #5

Thank you again for being a part of our summer season. The summers wouldn't be the same without the Teen Choir and it has grown into something that is now a tradition for many who attend our shows. I look forward to hearing back from you **(by Wednesday, May 1)** and seeing you this summer!

TEEN CHOIR RULES 2019

Everyone is required to attend **all** rehearsals and performances for the choirs that you participate in. Please do not ask to be the exception. If you forget or are unable to come to the first rehearsal, please do not show up at the next rehearsal and try to participate.

All members need to come with sheet music printed out and in a binder, with all lyrics and vocal parts memorized. If a teen choir member does not come with sheet music in a binder, and/or they are unprepared with their music, they will be asked to leave and not participate in the teen choir. They will also not be allowed to participate in any of the remaining choirs for the 2019 season.

Always come through the stage door (connecting door between Expo Hall and Century II). If we do not meet in the Dance Studio (Meeting Room 102) we will meet in the Rehearsal Hall in the basement.

Rehearsal times will always be show weeks on Mondays from 2:00pm-6:00pm and then on dress rehearsal Tuesdays from 5:30pm-dress rehearsal. Call time before shows will be **45 minutes before curtain**. Sunday Supper call time will be announced during rehearsals. We are invited to eat dinner with the company and crew between the two shows on Sunday. The choir will perform for them at this time also – it is a great experience! After we perform at the Sunday Supper the choir will head back to the dance studio and participate in some educational workshops before performing before the evening show.

Everyone is required to sign in before each performance/rehearsal.

No guests or friends backstage, at rehearsals, at Sunday Supper, or in the rehearsal hall.

Approved and appropriate costume (teen choir shirt, nice blue jeans, black belt, black socks, and black shoes) must be worn for all performances and dress rehearsal. If a teen does not come prepared in ALL of the appropriate attire they will not be able to go onstage. Instead, they will sing from the wings.

Black closed toe shoes must be worn at all performances and dress rehearsals. For all rehearsals, closed toe shoes must also be worn to be able to participate.

No gum or perfume during rehearsals and performances. Rings, necklaces, earrings, and bracelets are not allowed. Large headbands, bows, ribbons, and other hair accessories are also not allowed for performances. Hair must be out of your face and be generic in style and color.

Each choir you participate in, you will receive 2 dress rehearsal comp tickets and 2 comp tickets for the show. The Teen Choir participant gets into dress rehearsal without a comp ticket so they can bring two additional guests. These tickets will be given out to the teen choir member after Monday's rehearsal. If a teen choir member would like to see the performance besides the dress rehearsal, they must use one of their show comp tickets or purchase a ticket. They do not get in for free because they are a member of the teen choir.

All parents/family/friends that want to watch teen choir **MUST** have a ticket to the show to enter the theatre and watch. No exceptions will be made.



2019 MTWichita TCK Teen Choir Schedule

(All rehearsals on Mondays are in MR 102 at Century II. Tuesday rehearsals are in the Rehearsal Hall in the basement of Century II)

Show Choir #1

Mon, June 10	2pm-6pm	Choir reviews music and works on staging
Tues, June 11	5:30pm	Choir reviews music and staging before the dress rehearsal of THE SOUND OF MUSIC. (After the choir performs, you are allowed into the hall for dress rehearsal.)
Wed, June 12- Sun, June 16		Arrive at Century II 45 minutes before curtain . Call times are as follows: Wednesday and Thursday 6:45pm, Friday 7:15pm, Saturday 1:15pm and 7:15pm, Sunday 1:15pm and 6:15pm. Sunday Supper Call Time will be announced the day before.

Show Choir #2

Mon, June 24	2pm-6pm	Choir reviews music and works on staging
Tues, June 25	5:30pm	Choir reviews music and staging before the dress rehearsal of AN AMERICAN IN PARIS. (After the choir performs, you are allowed into the hall for dress rehearsal.)
Wed, June 26- Sun, June 30		Arrive at Century II 45 minutes before curtain . Call times are as follows: Wednesday and Thursday 6:45pm, Friday 7:15pm, Saturday 1:15pm and 7:15pm, Sunday 1:15pm and 6:15pm. Sunday Supper Call Time will be announced the day before.

Show Choir #3

Mon, July 8	2pm-6pm	Choir reviews music and works on staging
Tues, July 9	5:30pm	Choir reviews music and staging before the dress rehearsal of A CHORUS LINE (After the choir performs, you are allowed into the hall for dress rehearsal.)
Wed, July 10- Sun, July 14		Arrive at Century II 45 minutes before curtain . Call time are as follows: Wednesday and Thursday 6:45pm, Friday 7:15pm, Saturday 1:15pm and 7:15pm, Sunday 1:15pm and 6:15pm. Sunday Supper Call Time will be announced the day before.

Show Choir #4

Mon, July 22	2pm-6pm	Choir reviews music and works on staging
Tues, July 23	5:30pm	Choir reviews music and staging before the dress rehearsal of CHICAGO. (After the choir performs, you are allowed into the hall for dress rehearsal.)
Wed, July 24- Sun, July 28		Arrive at Century II <u>45 minutes before curtain</u> . Call time are as follows: Wednesday and Thursday 6:45pm, Friday 7:15pm, Saturday 1:15pm and 7:15pm, Sunday 1:15pm and 6:15pm. Sunday Supper Call Time will be announced the day before.

Show Choir #5

Mon, Aug 5	2pm-6pm	Choir reviews music and works on staging
Tues, Aug 6	5:30pm	Choir reviews music and staging before the dress rehearsal of IN THE HEIGHTS. (After the choir performs, you are allowed into the hall for dress rehearsal.)
Wed, Aug 7- Sun, Aug 11		Arrive at Century II <u>45 minutes before curtain</u> . Call time are as follows: Wednesday and Thursday 6:45pm, Friday 7:15pm, Saturday 1:15pm and 7:15pm, Sunday 1:15pm and 6:15pm. Sunday Supper Call Time will be announced the day before.