

Dear Parents or Guardians,

Your son/daughter is interested in auditioning for the East Show Choirs at Columbus East High School.

The Center Stage Show Choir is an auditioned co-curricular ensemble that is selected through a vocal and dance audition. This particular group meets as a class and after school for vocal and dance rehearsals. The Siren Serenade Show Choir is all new extracurricular women's ensemble that is also selected through a vocal and dance audition. This group meets after school for vocal and dance rehearsals. The Funk City Show Choir Band is a key part of our show choir that serves as our instrumental ensemble throughout the year, and the East Show Choirs Stage Crew is an integral group of students who help build and manage the sets, lighting, and other behind the scenes items. The members of these outstanding ensembles will have opportunities for community performances as well as being responsible for a rigorous competition season in the months of January through April of 2020.

I hope that your student is ready for an exciting year of performing and musical success!

On **Monday, May 6th** from 3:30-5:30 PM in the East Choir Room, students will attend an informational meeting and learn the audition dance (students only interested in band/crew may leave following the meeting). This will be followed by a second workshop day on **Tuesday May 7th**. Tuesday can be used for extra practice from 3:30-5:30 PM *with dance auditions being held beginning at 4:30 PM*, also in the East Choir Room. Vocal auditions and stage crew/instrumental interviews for the East Show Choirs will be **Wednesday, May 8th and Thursday, May 9th** from 3:30-7:30 PM taking place in the East Choir Room. Students need only to attend one vocal audition day. They will sign up for their audition/interview time slot on *Monday or Tuesday*. There will be a call back audition on **Friday, May 10th** from 3:30-5:30 PM as well. This call back list will be posted Thursday evening after **8:00 PM**.

**The members of the 2019-2020 East Show Choirs will then be posted
Friday evening after 7:00 PM.**

If your student is selected as a member of the group you will be required to attend

**MANDATORY Informational Meeting on Monday, May 13th
at 6:00 PM in the Auditorium**

I hope that you and your student are excited for this wonderful opportunity.
GOOD LUCK!

(Please return this signed permission slip along with the completed audition form **before or at the time of** the audition.)

I have reviewed the audition information and _____
has my permission to audition for the East Show Choirs. (Student's name)

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME (please print) _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN E-MAIL _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN PHONE # _____

Audition Week Details 2019

Monday, May 6th – 3:30 – 5:30 PM: INFORMATIONAL MEETING and DANCE WORKSHOP

Anyone interested in auditioning for Center Stage and Siren Serenade as a singer/dancer, stage crew, or band member must attend this day. We will meet in the **Choir Room** for the meeting, SIGN UP for an audition time, and then set up to learn the audition dance. Those who are only interested in BAND and/or STAGE CREW may leave after the meeting. Please dress *comfortably* –wear appropriate shoes for athletic activity. *Those interested in STAGE CREW ONLY should sign up for an audition time but be prepared to talk with Mr. Brockamp during that time instead of singing.*

All returning members interested in a leadership position must obtain and complete additional information.

Tuesday, May 7th – 3:30 – 5:30 PM: DANCE WORKSHOP, AUDITIONS, AND DANCE CAPTAIN AUDITIONS

This day is reserved for anyone who could not attend Monday's Workshop or who may need the extra practice for AUDITIONS. **Potential Dance Captains** will be working with small groups - cleaning the dance and helping with performance advice for auditions. *Once everyone is as confident with the dance as possible, dance auditions will take place beginning at 4:30.* Dress appropriately for your audition today - PLEASE remember that you will be DANCING in this outfit. Wear shoes that you can move in (Absolutely NO flip flops or pajamas).

Wednesday, May 8th and Thursday, May 9th – 3:30 – 7:30 PM: AUDITION DAYS

- *Please be at East and ready to audition at least 5 minutes before your scheduled audition time.
- *Sit quietly in the hallway while waiting. Disruption of auditions will result in score deduction.
- *Dress appropriately for your audition. School dress is perfect.

BRING ALL FORMS - - PERMISSION FORM and AUDITION FORM

- ***VOCAL AUDITION** SING any familiar song- please stay under 2 minutes (or approximately 32 measures)
 - *this song can be a cappella, have a piano accompaniment, or use CD
 - SING something that will show off the best parts of your voice
 - Be prepared to sing short warm up if I need to hear your vocal range
- ***BAND AUDITION** Play 24 measures from a song of YOUR CHOICE 😊
 - Be prepared to sight read

CALL BACK LIST (singer/dancers only) will be posted after **8:00PM** on Thursday– Please check this list. This does not define whether you made the group or not. It simply means that I need to see more of what you have to contribute to the group.

Friday May 10th – 3:30 – 5:30 PM: CALL BACK DAY and LIST POSTING

This day is a **FINAL** look at potential members of Center Stage and Siren Serenade. There will be **DANCING** again as well as participating in singing as a group - using a 4 part piece of music distributed at **3:15 PM**. If you are not asked back for a "CALL BACK" this does not mean that you have not made the group, it simply means that I have seen all that I need from you.

The FINAL lists for the 2019-2020 editions of the East Show Choirs will be posted on FRIDAY, May 10th after 7:00 PM.

East Show Choirs

Mandatory Dates

Competition Show Preparation

7/11-7/12/19, 12-4p: Center Stage Vocal Camp (Choir Room)

7/15-7/19/19, 8:30a-8:30p: Center Stage Choreography Camp (Choir Room)

7/22-7/26/19, 9a-5p: Siren Serenade Show Camp (Choir Room)

More info to come on camps

After School Rehearsals (starting in August - subject to change):

Center Stage: Mondays 6-8pm and Thursdays 3:30-5:30pm

Siren Serenade: Mondays 3:30-5:30pm and Thursdays 6-8pm

Funk City: Wednesdays TBD

Choreography Cleaning and Clinicians TBA

Competitions (subject to change)

1/18-1/19/20: Mt. Zion Midwest Invitational, Mt. Zion, IL

- Small mixed finals, overnight trip [CStage only]

1/25/20: Pendleton Heights Arabian Spectacular, Pendleton, IN

- Small division finals [all choirs]

2/8/20: Edgewood Contest of Champions, Ellettsville, IN

- Overall finals [CStage only]

2/14/20: Plainfield Quaker Classic, Plainfield, IN

- Friday night, one-and-done [all choirs]

2/22/20: Columbus East Show Choir Games, Columbus, IN

- Hosting - all day [Everyone - all hands on deck!]

3/7/20: South Dearborn Opening Knight Showcase, Aurora, IN

- Overall finals [all choirs]

Concerts

9/26/19: Fall Choral Concert w/ Central MS, 7pm (North Auditorium)

12/19: Winter Choral Concert, 7pm (TBA)

1/10-1/11/20: Show Choir Preview Night, 7pm (East Auditorium)

2/27/20: Spring Choral Concert, 7pm (East Auditorium)

5/14/20: Finale Choral Concert and Awards, 7pm (East Auditorium)

More events to be announced in the fall

East Show Choirs

Audition Checklist

Please make sure to bring the following items to your audition time on Wednesday, May 8th or Thursday, May 9th:

- Parent Permission Form

- Audition Form

- Teacher Recommendation Form
 - East/Central students: have your teacher turn your recommendation form into my mailbox at East/Central
 - Junior High students: bring your recommendation form with you to your audition

- Leadership Application (optional)

- Leadership Teacher Recommendation Form (optional)

East Show Choirs Audition Form

Name: _____

Year in School: Freshman Sophomore
(2019-2020) Junior Senior

Address: _____

Voice Part (circle): Soprano Alto Tenor Bass Years in Show Choir: _____

Instrument(s) you can play: _____ Number of years playing: _____

Other talents/skills (tumbling, etc.): _____

I am interested in auditioning for: (please rank from 1 to 4, with 1 being your first choice, and 4 being your last choice):
 _____ Center Stage _____ Siren Serenade _____ Funk City _____ Stage Crew

Please cross out any above choice that you would NOT accept.

Please list any and all time conflicts that may interfere with after school and evening rehearsals beginning in JULY of 2018. (Feel free to use the back of this page to list any additional weekly conflicts)

[Jobs, other extra-curricular activities, vacations, etc.]

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|------------------|--------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|----------|
| CONFLICT: | | | | | | |

Any additional conflicts that may interfere with the show choir performance schedule (Saturdays from JANUARY through APRIL of 2020):

Please respond to the following questions:

(Feel free to use the back of this page to complete your responses)

1. Please explain *how* and *why* you will be a **committed** and **valuable** member of the East Show Choirs?
 What qualities would you contribute to the team?

2. What is something that YOU want to gain from the East Show Choirs? What do you look forward to learning by being a part of the group?

3. Describe why you love music/performing. What is your favorite song and why?

East Show Choirs Audition 2019

TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORM

Dear Teacher,

This student is interested in auditioning for the East Show Choirs next year as a singer/dancer, band member, or stage crew member. Please give your honest input about this student below, including any comments you may have about him or her. **All responses will be kept confidential.** Thank you very much for your input!

- ALL auditioning students **MUST** have **ONE** recommendations on or before their audition day
- **Junior High Students:** You may bring your forms on your audition day - PLEASE include your music teacher as your recommendation if you are currently in choir or band (except if you are in choir at Central – please use another teacher)

STUDENT NAME: _____

Please circle the appropriate number according to how strongly you agree or disagree with each statement below:

| | Strongly Agree | | | | Strongly Disagree |
|--|----------------|---|---|---|-------------------|
| Student is a class leader | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Student is courteous and cooperative | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Student strives for success in my class | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Student goes beyond class expectations | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Student is responsible | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| If I were the director of Center Stage, I would love to have this particular student on my team. | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |

Is this student is currently passing your class?

YES

NO

Please include any additional comments about this student:

Teacher Signature: _____

DATE: _____

Course Name: _____

TEACHERS: please return this form to Brockamp's mailbox before May 8th, 2019

East Show Choir

Section Leader Application

Name _____ Year of Graduation _____

Years in Choir _____ Voice Part _____

Years of Piano Experience _____ Lessons? Yes No

Are you studying voice privately? Yes No

How long have you studied voice? _____

Why do you want to be a section leader for Center Stage?

What do you think you would bring as a section leader?

If selected, I will do my best to serve the East Choral Program as a leader. I understand that I may be replaced if I am unable to do my job.

Signature _____

Thank you for your interest in serving as a section leader!

East Show Choirs

Dance Captain Application

Name _____ **Year of Graduation** _____

Years in Show Choir _____

List all dance experience (use back if needed):

Why do you want to be a dance captain for East Show Choirs?

What do you think you would bring as a dance captain?

If selected, I will do my best to serve the East Choral Program as a leader. I understand that I may be replaced if I am unable to do my job.

Signature _____

Thank you for your interest in serving as a dance captain!

East Show Choirs Leadership Audition 2019

TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORM

STUDENT NAME: _____

DESIRED POSITION (*please circle*):

SECTION LEADER

DANCE CAPTAIN

Please rank the applicant's character:

| | High | Medium | Low | | Comments: | |
|--------------------------------|------|--------|-----|---|-----------|-------|
| Positive Attitude | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | _____ |
| Respects teachers | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | _____ |
| Respects peers | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | _____ |
| Respects property of others | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | _____ |
| Works well with others | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | _____ |
| Curious, seeks out knowledge | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | _____ |
| Accepts constructive criticism | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | _____ |
| Responsible/mature | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | _____ |
| Leadership skills | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | _____ |

The East Show Choirs **Section Leader** is responsible for leading singing sectionals with the other members of his or her section (soprano/alto/tenor/bass). He or she will schedule sectionals outside of rehearsal and help keep his or her fellow singers accountable for learning and being able to successfully sing their music. **Do you have any concerns about this student being able to carry out the duties of Section Leader?** YES NO

The East Show Choirs **Dance Captain** is responsible for learning all choreography, teaching it to fellow members who need to learn it, and cleaning each dance before competitions. He or she must be able to lead his or her fellow peers in a constructive manner, have a working knowledge of dance, and keep his or her fellow dancers accountable for learning and being able to successfully execute choreography. **Do you have any concerns about this student being able to carry out the duties of Dance Captain?** YES NO

Please share any additional qualities or information that should be considered (use the back of this form if needed):

Teacher Signature: _____

DATE: _____

Course Name: _____

TEACHERS- please return this form to Brockamp's mailbox before May 8th, 2019