



# CHATFIELD SENIOR HIGH CHOIR NEWSLETTER

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**MISSION STATEMENT:** The choirs at Chatfield Senior High School strive to instill self-discipline, performance conduct, teamwork, and responsibility in students while inspiring them to discover their connection with singing. In addition to being exposed to various genres and styles of choral literature, students will be provided with an enriching experience in music education that supports the state and district level standards, working to build their skills as musicians. In their musical experiences the Chatfield Senior High School choirs will cultivate the personal and social growth of its members, enforcing their sense of self-esteem, accomplishment, and pride.

## Director's Corner

by Josh Jackson

It was awesome to see so many of you at our first concert on October 19th! I was extremely pleased to see each ensemble put forth a successful performance in the beginning of the year. It will be exciting to see each ensemble improve as the year continues.

In addition to the concert, students were assessed on Music Literacy for their midterm! The midterm has both a written and sung component. I was very pleased to see so many students demonstrate proficiency on concepts presented in the first few months of school! Students who were absent during these days need to be sure to schedule a make-up session with me ASAP! Students who were not happy with their score may also schedule a make-up session to improve their grades.

It always amazes me how quickly October comes and goes. November brings many exciting things for Music Students!

We just had auditions for this year's All County Honor choir! Each school is only able to send eight students! I wish I could allow more students to represent Chatfield at this event—we had so many successful auditions!

Students participating in the Honor Choir will need to attend at least 3 after school rehearsals so they are adequately prepared for the event. Honor Choir rehearsals begin at Lakewood High School in the afternoon of November 18th. Students will then have an all day field trip on November 19th to rehearse at Lakewood High School all day. The performance, open to the public, will be that evening at Lakewood High School. You won't want to miss this great event!

The annual CSH Showcase is just around the corner! Students need to sign up on the Music Suite doors to audition. Auditions should be "performance ready."

Towards the end of this month, students will have the opportunity to audition for this year's musical, "My Fair Lady." Audition details will be available next week!

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## Upcoming Dates

### November 2<sup>nd</sup>

All County Honor Choir Auditions  
(After School—Choir Room)

### November 4<sup>th</sup>

**Choral Celebration @ Metro State College**  
(Field trip during the day)  
**Required for CHANTONS**

### November 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>

CSH Showcase Auditions  
(in CSH Auditorium)

### November 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>

**Honor Choir Festival**  
@ Lakewood High School  
(Field Trip on November 19<sup>th</sup>)  
**Required for PARTICIPATING STUDENTS**

### November 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>

CSH Showcase Performances

### November 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and December 1<sup>st</sup>

Musical Auditions



## Student Corner

by Brittney Ellsworth

This past week we had our first choir concert of the year! Thank you to all you parents, family, and friends who attended! Your support is always much appreciated! The concert went really well from a students view point! I know we all felt well prepared and ready for the concert. I especially liked the opening number "Bonse Aba". It was very fun to do as a mass choir performance. I hope everyone at the concert enjoyed it as much as us choral members did! All of us students would also like to thank Mr. Jackson for all his hard work!! I can't even imagine how many hours he put into making this concert great, but it really paid off! Thank you Mr. Jackson! You are awesome!

Also, this past month Chantons had a bonding night at my house! We had a potluck dinner, which the food was very delicious might I add, and had a great time! We played the Wii game "Just Dance" which was very fun! Thank you parents for allowing your kids to come bond and for helping make any food. We had a wonderful time!

I would just like to thank all the parents for all their help! We couldn't be in choir without you! Thank you for all the time you so graciously give to help us choir kids. We really appreciate it!

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## Cookie Dough Delivered!

Thank you to everyone for picking up your Cookie Dough on November 5th! Good Luck delivering the goods to your customers! Tell them you will be back next year to sell them more!



## All County Honor Choir

Congratulations to the following students for representing Chatfield High School in the 2010 All County Honor Choir!

**Leighanna Voyles (S1)**  
**Courtney Bostwick (S2)**  
**Kate Cruz (A1)**  
**Nicola Lich (A2)**  
**Sean Nogrady (T1)**  
**Zach Nelson (T2)**  
**Jack Curzon (B1)**  
**Zach Holt (B2)**



## May Silent Auction

Prior to our May Concert next semester, the CSH Choirs will be hosting a SILENT AUCTION! Think of what items you might be able to round up for donation! PARENTS— Can you help? Contact Mr. Jackson with ideas! Thanks!



## Student Corner

by Kirby Lamar

As this year of choir is getting into full swing, I think to myself, 'Could this possibly get any more fun?!' Choir is by far my favorite class at school. I have oodles of fun in this class. Mr. Jackson is the best choir teacher ever! The way he teaches class and helps us to sound great is marvelous.

Recently, we participated in a cookie dough fundraiser and a holiday wreath fundraiser. In the cookie dough fundraiser we sold over 800 tubs of cookie dough! Also, we just had our fall concert on Tuesday, October 19th. That was a huge success! All four choirs and the men's group sounded fantastic.

And now coming up will be auditions for Chatfield's spring musical 'My Fair Lady'. That is going to be very exciting. This year of CSH choir is going fantastic and will continue to be very lively and enjoyable.



## Director's Corner (Continued...)

On Thursday, November 4th—Chantons represented Chatfield High School at Metro State's annual Choral Celebration. This festival showcases many of the state's best high school choirs. Chantons did VERY well! There are several categories scored for each ensemble. One judge gave Chantons ALL "Excellent!" This gave us some *great* feedback—both on areas we are excelling, and areas that we can improve. I was very pleased at our performance in this event.

Friday November 5th marked the end of the 2nd 6 Week Grading Period. I am always surprised to see students who may not be motivated to improve their grades. Remember, students ALWAYS have the opportunity to improve their grades. Please do not hesitate to contact me with questions and concerns.

I look forward to all of the exciting things that November has to offer as we prepare for our Holiday Concert! Don't miss out—it is going to be amazing! Mark your calendars for **Tuesday December 14th @ 7 PM!**

Remember to check out the CSH Choir Website at:

[www.CSHchoir.org](http://www.CSHchoir.org)

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