

# GLEE CLUB AUDITION INFORMATION

How do you get to Carnegie Hall?

Practice, practice, practice, of course. We have a thrilling year planned for this year's Glee Club. In the Spring, the Glee Club will perform at Carnegie Hall in New York City for what I'm sure will prove to be a remarkable experience. Children's choirs from all over the country have been invited to this "mass choir" experience which will be conducted by Henry Leck, the director of the Indianapolis Children's Choir and one of our national treasures. He is a remarkable musician and an inspiring conductor of children's groups. In addition, students will have the opportunity to perform at the Holiday Variety Show, the Vocal Concert and other school and community events.

We will have individual auditions for Glee Club on Sept 6th and 8th, after school in the music room, Rm. 109. Glee Club is a treble choir open to Grandview students grades 3-8. Boys whose voices have changed are unable to audition for Glee Club. It is my hope that sometime this year we will be able to create other opportunities for these students. Students may choose which day they will audition and result letters will go out on Monday, Sept. 12 to all students who auditioned. Rehearsals will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 13th and every Tuesday and Thursday thereafter, directly after school until 4:15 PM. Students who participated in last year's Glee Club are automatically admitted into the 2011-2012 Glee Club. **However, those students will still need to audition in order to participate.**

**Students do not need to participate in the Carnegie Hall performance in order to join Glee Club.** There will be many other opportunities to perform with the group. Going on the New York trip is a large commitment on many levels so please do not let participation in that single event be a consideration when deciding whether your child auditions for Glee Club.

In this packet is the music to the first verse of the song that every student will audition with and a CD of the same music with which to practice. Students have been working on this song in their regular music classes in school. Students will be evaluated on the following criteria:

1. Sincerity and classroom behavior. Although Glee Club is often a lot of fun, students will need to be able to focus, show the desire and ability to work hard during rehearsals, and not be disruptive during the rehearsal process.
2. Students must be able to sing on pitch.
3. Students must be able to sing comfortably in their high register.
4. Students must have the audition piece well prepared. They may use the music during their audition.

Students will be asked also to sightread a brief passage but this is not a consideration in their score so they should not try to prepare anything for this part of the audition. It is just to inform me about the abilities of the students.

Parents, it is crucial if your student is auditioning that you look ahead to your child's yearly schedule to make certain that your student will be able to attend rehearsals EVERY Tues. and Thurs. throughout the year. If your student is involved in other activities such as sports, music lessons, etc. they must be able to attend rehearsals on those two days. If they are not able to attend rehearsals, please do not allow them to audition. They will be allowed three absences per semester but it is very disappointing to pass the audition and find out later that you are not able to participate because too many games or other activities overlap. Students may still participate in Grandview's Tae-Kwon-Do after school class with Ms. Houghton.

Attached is also the after school program registration form which includes the cost of joining Glee Club for the year. We want every student who qualifies for Glee Club to be able to participate. Please see Mr. Yannette if the cost of joining an after school program such as Glee Club will prevent your child from being able to participate. The cost of the New York trip will be discussed at a later date when plans have become more finalized.

Please don't hesitate to contact Mr. Yannette with any questions at [myannette@grandviewprep.net](mailto:myannette@grandviewprep.net). I am looking forward to an amazing year!

## Glee Club Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Date you will be auditioning (Tues. Sept 6 or Thurs. Sept 8) \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for my son/daughter to audition for Glee Club. I am aware that Glee Club meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school until 4:15 PM. If accepted, my child will be required to attend every rehearsal with the exception of three absences per semester. Attendance at Glee Club events and performances is required (except for the event scheduled at Carnegie Hall). I will make every attempt to schedule doctor, orthodontist and other such appointments on other days of the week and will abide by the rules of the aftercare program at Grandview. I am aware that Glee Club also carries a financial responsibility as outlined in the Grandview After School Program Registration Form. This form must be returned no later than Friday, Sept. 2.

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Student's Signature

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Date

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Parent's Signature

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Date

Do not mark below this line

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Voice Part \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_ Tuning \_\_\_\_\_

Sightreading \_\_\_\_\_ Tone \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted/Declined

Comments \_\_\_\_\_  
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