



NEW TRIER
Music & Theatre

General Questions about the Choirs at New Trier

- 1. How often does choir meet at New Trier?** The Northfield Chorus are curricular classes that meet five days a week for one full block. Typically, we have one dress rehearsal during the school day for the upcoming concerts.
- 2. What choir will I enroll in as a freshman?** All freshmen should select Northfield Chorus on the course registration form that you receive at Academic Life Night.
- 3. Do I have to audition?** Auditions are not required for enrollment in Northfield Chorus. All you need to do is register for the class.
- 4. How many after-school events will I be involved with?** The Northfield Choruses perform one concert per quarter for a total of four each year. The majority of dress rehearsals occur during school hours as a field trip. Occasionally, there are additional performances (social service related) which students will know about within the first week of any school year.
- 5. Can I participate in sports and still be in music?** Yes. There are many athletes (Freshmen through Varsity levels) involved in the music program at New Trier. Because music is a class during the school day, the music and sports schedules rarely overlap. When they do, the teacher and coach will work together to help resolve the conflict.
- 6. What if I am interested in Theatre?** Students may elect to take Theatre as well as chorus. There are several ways you can take both in your schedule freshman year. Please see the sample schedules document in the next page.
- 7. Do I need to be in the chorus in order to be in the Freshman/Sophomore Musical Workshop?** No, but most cast members are also in chorus classes, especially those students cast in principal roles. The audition songs are learned in chorus and frequently the chorus teacher is also the music director of the production.

Advice from Current Music Students:

“Take driver’s education during the summer.”

“Consider taking summer school so that you have more periods available for classes during the regular school year.”

“Consider taking an early bird course at the Winnetka Campus, especially in science.”

“At the Winnetka campus, Music classes can be taken for either elective or major credit, and capstone music classes can be taken at the 4 level.”

“Free periods (study halls) can be useful for practicing your singing at school.”

“Once you have a good understanding of how New Trier works, plan your program of studies far ahead.”

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