

Panther Cub Choir ~ 2021-2022

Dear **4th - 8th Grade Students** and Parents/Guardians,

I am excited to announce the continuation of STRIDE Academy's Panther Cub Choir for this school year!



What is the Panther Cub Choir?

Panther Cub Choir is an auditioned 20-30 member singing group made up of students in grades 4-8. "Auditioned" means that students need to try-out with Mrs. Watrin in order to be in choir. If you audition and aren't chosen for choir this year, you can try-out again the following year.

When does the Panther Cub Choir Rehearse/Meet?

Panther Cub Choir rehearses every Monday school is in session from **3:00 - 4:00 PM**. Students will need a parent/guardian to pick them up from choir at 4 PM. During rehearsal students will learn the basics of singing in a choir and also sing and perform music from different time periods throughout history as well as present day music.

The first full Choir Rehearsal will be Monday, October 11, 2021.

When are Panther Cub Choir Auditions?

Choir auditions will be Monday-Thursday, October 4-7, 2021 from 2:40 - 3:30 PM. If you are signing up for an audition time after 3:00 PM, you will need to arrange a ride home since this is after the time in which the buses leave. Students interested in auditioning need to sign-up for one 10-minute audition time slot on the list outside of Mrs. Watrin's music room.

During your audition you will need to be prepared to sing "Happy Birthday" from memory and without piano accompaniment. I might also check your pitch matching, tonal memory, vocal range, and sight-singing skills. This is so I can become more familiar with each child's voice to determine their voice part and placement within the choir.

The list of students selected for choir will be posted by the music room on Friday October 8th.

Other Information:

To be in choir there is a Registration fee of \$50 for the year. All participants are expected to follow STRIDE's behavior guidelines during Cub Choir rehearsals. Any behavior infractions may interfere with further participation. If a student is asked to leave the choir due to behavior, the registration fee will not be refunded.

Panther Cub Choir will be featured at STRIDE Academy concerts. Performance dates will be communicated to choir members when they are scheduled in the future.

Please contact me with
any questions at:
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Musically Yours,

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