

MHS Vocal Program



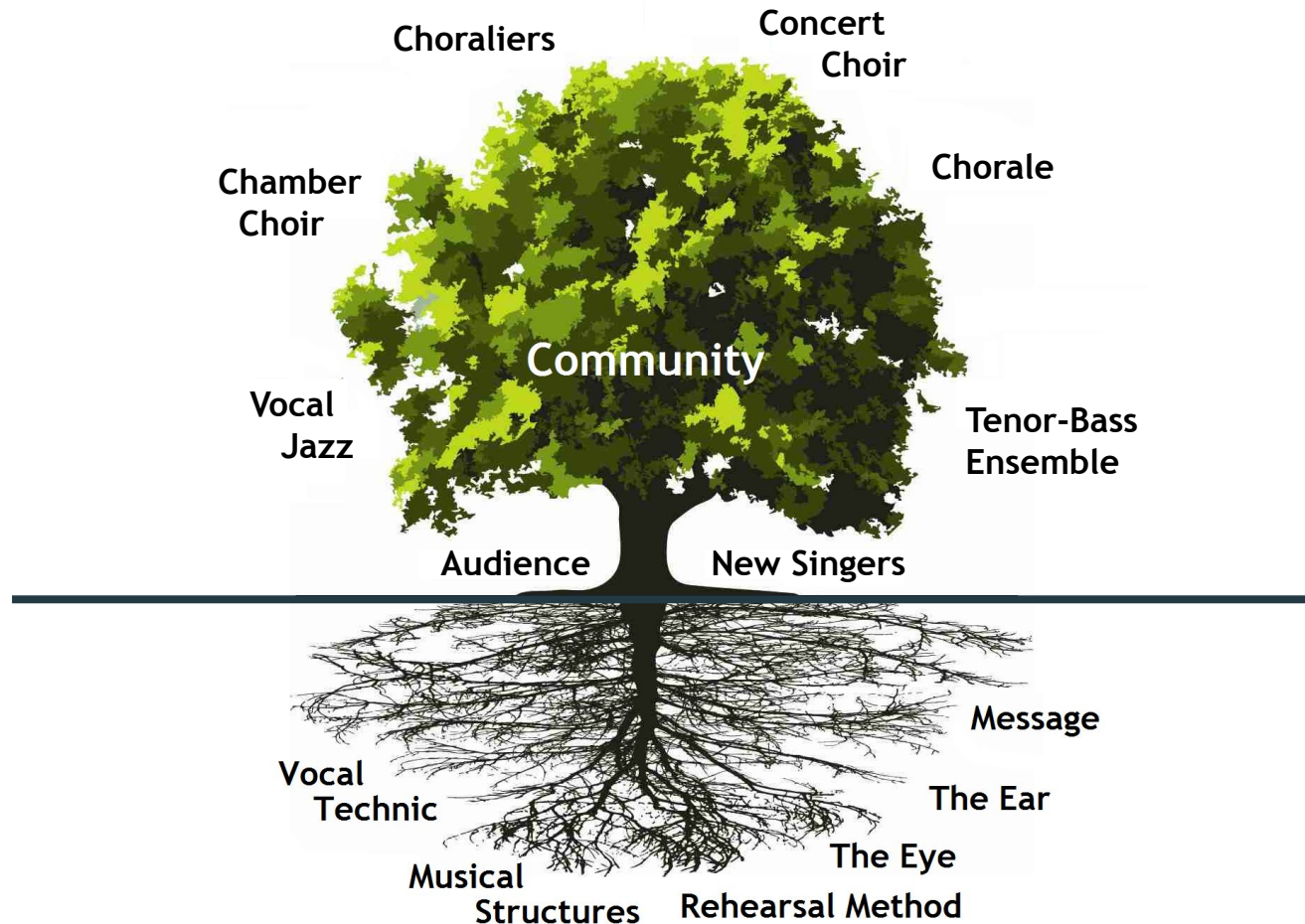
**Concert Choir | Chorale | Chamber Choir
Choraliers | Tenor-Bass Ensemble**

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SHAMELESS SELF-PROMOTION



A SENSE OF WHERE YOU ARE



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PRESENTATION AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

MHS Vocal Ensembles Web Page:

www.mtsd.k12.nj.us



Departments



Visual Performing Arts



MHS Music



MHS Vocal Ensembles



IMPORTANT DATES FROM THE HANDBOOK

Curricular:

- UMS Winter Concert (Chamber Choir) Dec. 6 (W)
- MHS Winter Vocal Concert (All Ensembles) Jan. 10 (W)
- MHS Spring Vocal Concert (All Ensembles) Jun. 10 (M)

All concerts @ 7:00pm in the MPAC (except UMS)

Non-Curricular Opportunities:

- Choraliers, Tenor-Bass Ens. (Tuesdays! - non-auditioned)
- Spring Musical (Performances: Mar. 22 & 23)
- Coffeehouses (Seasonally)
- Region and All-State Choir (Regions: Dec. / All-State: Apr.)
- Music Department Banquet (May 31, Site TBD)



THE MAGNIFIED VALUE OF WHAT WE'RE DOING

- ✓ Promote healthy vocal *technique*.
- ✓ Develop visual and aural *skill*.
- ✓ Cultivate abstract *thought* and *affect*.
- ✓ Nourish need for *community* & *identity*.
- ✓ Prioritize *egalitarianism* and *humility*.



Inner Curriculum in a Vocal Ensemble

Stress Relief

Resilience

**Inculcation
(Repetition)**

Connection with World
(Coming to Terms with It)

Poise

Self-Awareness

Eye Contact

Social Cues

Mutual Respect

**Interpersonal
Skills**

Trial and Error
(Heuristics)

Self-Reliance

Egalitarianism

Body Language

Risk

**Nexus of Other
Disciplines**

Patience

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Self-Assuredness with the Voice



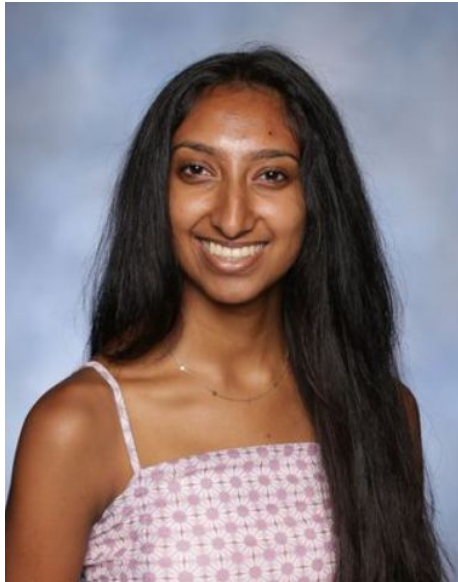
DEBUNKING MISCONCEPTIONS

**Can students take music for four years and
have a competitive transcript for college?**

YES!



Four-Year Choir Student Profile



Siya Krishnan

Curricular Music Ensembles:

- Concert Choir (2020 - 2021)
- Chamber Choir (2021 - 2022)
- Chamber Choir (2022 - 2023)
- Chamber Choir Honors (2023 - 2024)

Option II (Outside Course): No

Financial Literacy: AP Economics

3 Years of Science

Activities: Spring Musical (3 Years), Track and Field (3 Years), Region Choir (1 Year), Docents (4 Years), Sensasian (2 Years), Red Cross (3 Years)

W Anticipated Major: Computer Information Systems



Four-Year Choir Student Profile



Josiah Vardeman

Curricular Music Ensembles:

- Concert Choir (2020 - 2021)
- Chamber Choir (2021 - 2022)
- Chamber Choir (2022 - 2023)
- Honor Chamber Choir (2023 - 2024)

Option II (Outside Course): None

Financial Literacy: AP Economics

Activities: Cross Country (4 years), Fencing (3 Years)
Wrestling (Freshman Year), Track (2 Years)

Anticipated Major: The Worlds is My Oyster



Four-Year Choir Student Profile



Nina Algoo

Curricular Music Ensembles:

- Concert Choir (2020 - 2021)
- Chorale (2021 - 2022)
- Chorale (2022 - 2023)
- Chorale (2023 - 2024)

Option II (Outside Course): Yes (Financial Lit.)

Financial Literacy: Summer Course

3 Years of History

Activities: Volunteer at SAVE Shelter (4 Years), Choraliers (2 Years) Musical (2 Years), Horseback Riding (4 Years), Guitar Lessons (4 Years), Calligraphy Club (3 Years)

W Anticipated Major: Marine Biology



Four-Year Choir Student Profile



Miles Martin

Curricular Music Ensembles:

- Concert Choir (2020 - 2021)
- Chamber Choir (2021 - 2022)
- Chamber Choir (2022 - 2023)
- Honor Chamber Choir (2023 - 2024)

Option II (Outside Course): Financial Lit. (Summer)

Financial Literacy: Summer Course

Language 3 Years, Science 3 Years

Activities: Black Student Union (2 Years), Debate/Speech (2 Years)
Literary Magazine (1 Year), Musical (3 Years), Fall Play
(2 Years), Docents (1 Year), Tenor-Bass Ensemble (2 Years)

W Anticipated Major: History



“Uh... But I Don’t Sing.” What Can Parents Do?

- ✓ **Advocate if they appear interested. Interest can come from “nowhere,” and may be organic.**
- ✓ **Consider the investment in private instruction (all forms of music ensembles *never* teach complete individual technique).**
- ✓ **Continue your wonderful support. Music is a well-respected institution in Montgomery.**
- ✓ **Music study correlates to increased test scores and overall well-being to the student’s academic experience.**



Choir Parent Group

We need Parent Volunteers for our new Choir Parent Group! If you are interested in being a part of the planning committee, please sign-up with the clipboard at the end!

- **Tuxedos and Dresses**
- **Choir Banquet at the end of the year**
- **T-Shirt Order**
- **Fundraisers for:**
Trips, Clinicians, Scholarships, etc.



Colleges Look For...

- ✓ The **“Well-Lopsided Student”** - students who show a long-term commitment (similarly in sports) and focus.
- ✓ **Common Application Supplements** - even if not majoring in music, some schools offer scholarships and benefits to gifted non-music majors... often when attending a school where music is not what they're primarily known for.
- ✓ AP's, SAT's, ACT's are a portion of the portfolio. **Interviews** are increasingly prevalent and social skills are important; interviewers want to envision potential students fitting into their institution's fabric.

Contact Information

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ROWAN UNIVERSITY
13th ANNUAL

TIB FESTIVAL



- **Invitational Trip**
- **Rowan University**
- **October 19th (W)**
- **7:00am Departure**
- **2:40pm Return**
- **\$45 (checks to “MHS”)**



**The Guru! Dr.
Chris Thomas**

PARENT GROUP SIGN-UPS

CLIPBOARD UP FRONT

Dr. Anthony Jahn, MD



**Senior Otolaryngologist (ENT),
Mt. Sinai Hospital, NYC.**

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**Director of Medical Services:
Metropolitan Opera.**

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**Medical Consultant for the
Juilliard School of Music.**

Mens sana in copore sano.

“Mens Sana in Corpore Sano”

A Healthy Mind in a Healthy Body.



Having an avenue that allows for **mental and emotional freedom**, connection to one's state of mind, **changing one's state of mind**, and **connecting with others** will invariably allow for **success elsewhere** and is therefore a **long-term investment**.

CONTINUED SAFETY MEASURES TO MAXIMIZE SUCCESS

- **Chairs 3 feet apart.**
- **Continued Rehearsals Masked.**
- **Small Group Rehearsals (Sectionals).**
- **Limits according Local & State Guidelines.**
- **High Capacity HEPA Filters.**
- **Outdoor Ventilation.**