

# **Milton High School**

# **Chorus**

**2024-2025**

**Student Leadership**  
**Candidate Packet**



**Kristi White-Rider, Choral Director**

**Student Leadership Positions**

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The primary directive of ANY leadership position in the Milton High School Chorus program is to model good character and musicianship while helping to better the program as a whole.

All positions in the chorus program are to serve your fellow students and further the program as a whole. In many cases, you do not need a title to be an effective leader. With or without a title, you can do your part and help push the program to be better by bettering yourself and serving others. Preparation for and execution of these duties will begin in June and will include uniform maintenance, choir room clean up, and organization. These duties will include anything necessary to get the chorus ready for the school year and running well. Please apply ONLY if you are prepared to dedicate your time to the Milton High School Chorus program. This can be used on all college and scholarship applications.

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## Chorus President

Chorus President is the highest position of student leadership within the Choir. Candidates will need to possess strong traits of communication, responsibility, initiative, maturity, and overall leadership for this position. One candidate will be chosen based on the quality of their submitted application, interview, and previously demonstrated leadership and musicianship skills in choir.

Before submitting an application, the following requirements need to be met:

- You must be a Junior OR Senior for the upcoming school year.
- You must have been a member of chorus for at least two years.
- You must have 10 or fewer absences for each semester of the current school year.
- You must have not failed any courses from the current school year.
- You must have, and maintain, a 3.0+ GPA

## Duties / Expectations:

- Serve as the liaison between students and choir director.
- Head of student leadership – communicate and assist student leaders.
- May not miss more than two leadership meetings a semester.
- **Communication**
  - Meet regularly with the choral director and fellow choir leadership.
- **Musical**
  - Promote a high level of musical rigor within the chorus program through active participation in optional vocal and choral activities.
  - Participate in all choir opportunities.
- **Logistics**
  - Coordinate with section leaders on rehearsal attendance, fundraiser deliveries, fieldtrips, etc.
- **Social**
  - Ensure that there are opportunities for community and camaraderie amongst choral students.
  - Plan, organize, and attend all choir social events and entertainment.
  - Assist in the planning of the annual holiday party, & end-of-the-year banquet.
- **Hospitality**
  - Coordinate volunteers and hospitality for events hosted by our program.
- **Recruitment**

- Help to create events and opportunities to inform and recruit prospective students to get with the choir via events and distribution of information.
  - Report all student discipline and/or behavioral issues directly to the choral director.
  - Conduct and run music rehearsal in the absence of a choir director, vocal instructor, or accompanist.
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## **Chorus Vice-President**

Chorus Vice President assist the President in their duties in addition to their own set of tasks. Candidates will need to possess strong traits of communication, responsibility, initiative, maturity, and overall leadership for this position. One candidate will be chosen based on the quality of their submitted application, interview, and previously demonstrated leadership and musicianship skills in choir.

Before submitting an application, the following requirements need to be met:

- You must be a Junior OR Senior for the upcoming school year.
- You must have been a member of chorus for at least one year.
- You must have 10 or fewer absences for each semester of the current school year.
- You must have not failed any courses from the current school year.
- You must have, and maintain, a 3.0+ GPA

## **Duties / Expectations:**

- Serve as the liaison between students and choir director.
  - Collaborate with fellow student leadership/peers to help achieve the goals of the chorus and its students.
  - Assist the President in their duties.
  - Assume responsibility of President's duties in their absence.
  - May not miss more than two Leadership meetings a semester.
  - **Musical**
    - Promote a high level of musical rigor within the chorus program through active participation in optional vocal and choral activities.
  - **Communication**
    - Meet regularly with the choral director and fellow choir leadership.
  - **Documentation**
    - Assist with the production of the concert program.
    - Assist with the audio and video recording of concerts.
    - Assist with the collection of videos, photos, and other material for record keeping / recruitment.
  - **Uniforms**
    - Coordinate with section leaders to ensure all choir students are in compliance with performance attire and grooming requirements.
      - Report any students out of compliance to the director.
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## **Section Leaders**

Section Leaders act as a model for their chorus. They should promote good habits as a student and musician at all times, both in and out of class/rehearsal/performance. They are responsible for promoting a high level of musicianship through their rehearsal, performance, and leadership. They are responsible for cultivating a

high level of respect through their words and actions. Candidates will need to possess strong traits of communication, responsibility, initiative, maturity, and overall leadership for this position. One candidate will be chosen per section based on the quality of their submitted application, interview, and previously demonstrated musicianship skills in choir.

Before submitting an application, the following requirements need to be met:

- Must be a sophomore, junior, or senior for the upcoming school year.
- Must have had minimum of 1 year of chorus
- You must have, and maintain, a 3.0 GPA

### **Duties / Expectations:**

- Assist director and choral leadership in meeting goals and accomplishing tasks.
- May not miss more than two Leadership meetings a semester.
- **Musical**
  - Promote a high level of musical rigor within the chorus program through active participation in optional vocal and choral activities.
- **Communication**
  - Meet regularly with the choral director and fellow choir leadership.
- **Logistics**
  - Coordinate with President to document attendance of your section at all choral functions.
  - Coordinate with Uniform Guru to ensure all choir students are in compliance with performance attire and grooming requirements.
- **Rehearsal**
  - Section leaders may be asked to run sectionals during or outside of class.
    - Section leaders are expected to have tools available to assist their section in learning and refining their music (via piano proficiency OR technology).

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## **Chorus Music Librarian**

The Chorus Music Librarian must catalog pieces of music to ensure they are properly organized and accessible. This may involve creating detailed records in a cataloging system, assigning call numbers or other identifiers, and preparing the materials for shelving. Chorus Music librarian takes steps to preserve the materials in the collection, which may include repairing damaged items. Chorus Librarian is responsible for entering new music into and maintaining the Sheet Music Excel file. This is a digital record of ALL chorus music in the library. The Chorus Librarian is a managerial position and is held in the same regard as all other managerial positions. They are responsible for promoting a high level of musicianship through their rehearsal, performance, and leadership. They are responsible for cultivating a high level of respect through their words and actions. Candidates will need to possess strong traits of communication, responsibility, initiative, maturity, and overall leadership for this position. One candidate will be chosen based on the quality of their submitted application, interview, and previously demonstrated musicianship skills in choir.

Before submitting an application, the following requirements need to be met:

- Must be a sophomore, junior, or senior for the upcoming school year.
- Must have had minimum of 1 year of chorus
- You must have, and maintain, a 3.0 GPA

### **Duties / Expectations:**

- May not miss more than two Leadership meetings a semester.
  - **Musical**
    - Promote a high level of musical rigor within the chorus program through active participation in optional vocal and choral activities.
  - **Communication**
    - Meet regularly with the choral director and fellow choir leadership.
  - **Rehearsal**
    - Have all music ready for each rehearsal.
    - Shelve any unused music.
    - Make sure each member has a copy of the rehearsal music
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## Uniform Guru

The Uniform Guru is responsible for coordinating uniform fittings, hemming, and assignment of each uniform. They are to check uniform compliance at each chorus event (shoes, socks, jewelry, etc). They are to maintain record of choir uniforms, documenting any missing items or pieces that have to be returned or cleaned. Uniform Gurus are expected to confirm that each garment bag has it's entire uniform (all pieces) together BEFORE and AFTER each performance event. They are expected to maintain closet organization and cleanliness and assist all other chorus officers when necessary.

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### Duties / Expectations:

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  - **Musical**
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## Basic Requirements/Expectations

\*In addition to what was listed above, leadership members must attend leadership meetings. Missing one meeting will put you on probation. Missing two meetings could have you removed from your position.

Meetings will be held every Wednesday morning (8:30am) unless otherwise noted.

\*Be prepared to represent and speak on behalf of our MHS Choruses

\*Prepare/set-up and take-down for choir activities and performances

\*Help with each rehearsal's focus & progress through encouragement, kindness, support, & gentle reminders.

\*Take photos at all choir events and add them to shared drive in a timely manner.

\*Be prepared to tutor and help other choir members as needed or requested to by Mrs. White-Rider

**A new leadership team will be picked every school year.**

Previously held positions do not grant you tenure for your entire choral career nor do they entitle you to a higher position the following year.

# **Milton High School Chorus**

## **Student Leadership Application**

*This completed application, including supplemental materials, should be submitted to Mrs. White-Rider on or before April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024.*

***Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.***

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Current Grade Level:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Voice** \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Ensemble** \_\_\_\_\_

**Academics:** Please list your most recent GPA \_\_\_\_\_

**Attendance:** Please list your number of absences in each category.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Excused 1<sup>st</sup> Semester**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Excused 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Unexcused 1<sup>st</sup> Semester**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Unexcused 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester**

Indicate which leadership position(s) you are applying for:

\_\_\_\_\_ **President**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Vice-President**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Section Leader\*\***

\_\_\_\_\_ **Uniform Guru**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Chorus Music Librarian**

**Type a short essay response and either print and attach to this application or email to Mrs. White-Rider at [whiteriderk@santarosa.k12.fl.us](mailto:whiteriderk@santarosa.k12.fl.us)**

**Explain why you believe that you are the best candidate for the position(s) you are applying.**

**\*\*If applying for Section leader, please describe how YOU would lead a sectional rehearsal.**

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*I have read and fully understand all duties and expectations of the leadership position(s) that I am applying for. If chosen, I will do my best to be an effective and contributing student leader for the Milton High School Chorus program for the 2024-2025 year. I do understand that a failure to do so will result in the immediate loss of my leadership position.*

Student signature \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Sign up for an interview time with Mrs. White-Rider in the chorus room.**