#### **AJHS Choir and Music Program Information**

#### AJHS Anthem (Mixed Concert Choir)

Choir Fee: \$100

AJHS Anthem is a concert choir of 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls. This group focuses on learning and performing standard choral repertoire for their Fall Choral Concert and popular music for their Winter Concert during the Fall Semester. In the Spring, they will focus on learning popular music while playing ukulele for Singing Valentines and they will learn a few show choir songs with choreography and costumes for the Spring Show. Besides the 3 after school performances, there will only be a few after school practices during April and May to rehearse for Spring Show.

### AJHS Audacity (Girls' Show Choir)

Choir Fee: \$200

AJHS Audacity is a competitive show choir of 8th and 9th grade girls. This group learns and performs standard choral repertoire for their Fall Choral Concert. Then, they will learn a competitive show choir show with choreography and costume changes. There will be mandatory after-school practices on Thursdays from 3:45-6pm from October to February to learn the competition show. In the first half of the Spring semester, they will travel to multiple show choir competitions in Alabama to compete with other middle school show choirs. They will also perform their competition show at Preview Show in January and at their Spring Show.

#### AJHS Adrenaline (Mixed Show Choir)

Choir Fee: \$250

AJHS Adrenaline is a highly competitive show choir of 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls. This group learns and performs standard choral repertoire for their Fall Choral Concert. Then, they will learn a competitive show choir show with choreography and costume changes. There will be mandatory after-school practices on Tuesdays from 3:45-6pm from October to February to learn the competition show. In the first half of the Spring semester, they will travel to multiple show choir competitions in Alabama to compete with other middle school show choirs. They will also perform their competition show at Preview Show in January and at their Spring Show.

## **Music Technology and Audio Production Class**

No Fee

This class is for 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> graders interested in learning how to create, record, and produce music with GarageBand. A variety of music technology related topics will be covered from songwriting to recording and audio mixing techniques to how to use professional audio equipment like microphones and sound boards. Major grades are all hands-on and project based.

# Piano/Ukulele/Guitar Class (Harmonizing Instruments)

This class is offered as an alternating-day, semester-long course for 9<sup>th</sup> graders. Students will learn the basics of reading sheet music and chord charts for piano, ukulele, and guitar. They will get to practice on the instruments each class day and will receive individualized and group instruction. All 3 instruments will be provided for each student. Many concepts on reading and performing music will be covered and put into practice. There will be a short and informal recital performance to conclude each instrument unit.