

## **AJHS Choir & Music Program Information**

### **AJHS Adrenaline (Competitive Mixed Show Choir)**

#### **Choir Fee: \$250**

AJHS Adrenaline is a competitive show choir of 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls. Students in show choir will be taught the basics of reading music and how to sing with correct vocal technique—no prior singing or dancing experience is required. This group learns and performs challenging 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 rehearse the competition choreography. In the first half of the Spring semester, they will travel to multiple show choir competitions to compete with other middle school show choirs. They will also perform their competition show at Preview Show in January and at the end-of-the-year Spring Show.

### **AJHS Audacity (Girls' Show Choir)**

#### **Choir Fee: \$150**

AJHS Audacity is a show choir of 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade girls. Students in show choir will be taught the basics of reading music and how to sing with correct vocal technique—no prior singing or dancing experience is required. This group learns and performs challenging choral repertoire for their Fall Choral Concert. Then, they will learn a show choir show with choreography and costuming. There will be a few mandatory after-school practices on Thursdays from 3:45-6pm from October to February to learn the show choir choreography. In the first half of the Spring semester, they will travel to at least one show choir competition to compete with other middle school show choirs. They will also perform the show choir show at the end-of-the-year Spring Show.

### **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. Students in concert choir will be taught the basics of reading music and how to sing with correct vocal technique—no prior singing experience is required. This group focuses on learning and performing challenging choral repertoire for their Fall Choral Concert and pop music with many solo opportunities for their Winter Concert during the Fall Semester. In the Spring, they will focus on learning pop music while playing ukulele for Singing Valentines during the school day. They will learn also few show choir songs with some choreography and costuming for the Spring Show. Besides these 3 after school concerts, there will be a few mandatory after school practices during April and May to rehearse for the end-of-the-year Spring Show.

### **Piano/Ukulele/Guitar Class (Harmonizing Instruments)**

#### **No Fee**

This class is offered as an alternating-day year-long course and as an alternating-day semester-long course. 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 performance at the end of each instrument unit.

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

#### **No Fee**

This class covers the basics of creating, recording, mixing, and producing music in a studio and live setting. Students will gain a basic understanding of reading music and how to utilize GarageBand and other Digital Audio Workstations and sound consoles. A wide variety of topics will be covered relating to the music technology and audio production industry and all the relating equipment from audio cables to microphones to synthesizers.