

Dulwich High School of Visual Arts & Design



VOCAL ENSEMBLE POLICY 2018

Commitment & Conduct:

- 1. Rehearsals are on **Tuesday mornings from 7:30 8:40am** in the music rooms, commencing in the first week of term and ending in the last week of term unless otherwise notified.
- 2. All members of DHSVAD school music ensembles will strive to be reliable, punctual, and prepared, attend all rehearsals, assist in setting up and packing up and behave in a respectful manner towards others.
- All members of school music ensembles at DHSVAD are required to pay a music ensemble fee of \$200 per year. Students belonging to multiple music ensembles will only be required to pay one set of fees.
- **4.** All students in elective music (years 9 12) are required to be a member of a music ensemble in order to fulfill course requirements.
- 5. The parent/guardian will provide a written explanation for any missed rehearsals.
- 6. The student will remain committed to attending vocal ensemble rehearsals for the entire term.
- **7.** The student will endeavor to be available for all performances, which may include week nights and weekends, and may be in or outside the school premises.
- 8. The student will give at least 2 weeks' notice in writing if unable to attend a performance.
- 9. The student will practice vocal ensemble music in their own time on a regular basis.
- 10. The student/guardian will inform the vocal ensemble coordinator & music ensembles coordinator at the beginning of a new term in writing if the student decides to discontinue vocal ensemble. Otherwise, the student will continue to be considered as a member of the ensemble and will therefore be required to pay music ensemble fees.

Communication:

 Communication for vocal ensemble will be in the form of hard copy notes as well as the *Enews* app. Parents/guardians and students will be able to receive email notifications directly on their phone through E-News

Uniform:

- 1. The vocal ensemble uniform consists of the school white button-up shirt, long black trousers and closed black leather shoes which students are expected to purchase for performances.
- 2. Students are to adhere strictly to this uniform for performances. Variations such as jeans, leggings, shorts, skirts or non-leather shoes will not be accepted.

Fees:

- 1. Fees are to be paid at the front office. The music teachers will not accept fee money.
- 2. The parent/guardian will pay all fees and on time. Yearly fees are due on Friday, week 8 of term 1. All fees are non-refundable.

Please complete and sign the *Vocal Ensemble Contract,* then detach and return to Mr O'Donnell. It is recommended that the student/guardian keep the *Vocal Ensemble Policy* section for their records.



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VOCAL ENSEMBLE CONTRACT 2018

I, (name) _______ of class ______ agree to be a member of the vocal ensemble. I have read the *Vocal Ensemble Policy* fully and understand all of its contents and agree to fulfil all of the requirements as stated in the *Vocal Ensemble Policy*.

Fee payable: \$200 per year, to be paid *in full by Term 1, Friday week 8*.

Parent/guardian

Mr O'Donnell

Music Ensembles Coordinator

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