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Sanford H. Calhoun High School Music Department

Calhoun Choral Program

Concert Choir/ Chorale/ Crescendo

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<http://www.ccp1.org>

Dear Parent,

Allow me to welcome you and your child to the Calhoun Choral Program (CCP). I am very excited to have your student as a member of Crescendo, and I hope they find it a rewarding experience.

Your child is one of NINE members of Crescendo that is not also a student in Concert Choir. That is a large number. Communication with my non-Concert Choir students has always been a challenge, and we have instituted steps over the past few years to make communicating with the "Crescendo 9" easier.

As was mentioned during the Crescendo audition, your child has joined the Crescendo **Google Classroom** in order to get timely information throughout the school year. In addition, they will connect to Crescendo's **Remind** account during the first rehearsal. Finally, we are using a great app called **TeamSnap** to assist us with keeping track of attendance and scheduling throughout the year.

If you have a **Twitter** account, I invite you to follow our parent-information feed at @ccp_news, and you can follow us on **Facebook** by searching 'The Calhoun Choral Program'. Also (this one is neat), we use a resource called **Periscope** from time to time to live-broadcast our rehearsals. You can find out more by going to <http://eepurl.com/ch7aYf>

Lastly (**and most importantly**), please take a moment to sign up to our **Crescendo parent email list**, by going to www.ccp1.org, clicking on Parents/Students, and clicking on Email Communication. Then sign up to receive **Crescendo** email. All "letters home" (after this one) will be sent via email, and I don't want you to miss any information. In addition, please sign up for the Crescendo **Parent Remind account** by sending a text message to 81010 with the following message: @crescpar (I promise not to overwhelm you with messages).

I know that was a lot of technical information, but if you get stuck trying to sign up for something, your child should be able to help you out. :)

As you are aware, this spring Crescendo and Concert Choir will be traveling to Virginia Beach and Washington DC to compete in the Music in the Parks music competition.

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Attached, please find the permission slip. Please send it, along with the \$200.00 deposit with your child over the next couple of weeks. Our first fundraiser will begin next week; others will occur throughout the fall.

The 250.00 Activity Fee will need to be paid by the end of October.

Of course, if I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me @ 516-992-1373, or via email ssardo@bellmore-merrick.k12.ny.us.

Yours in Music,
Mr. Sanford Sardo
Director of Choral Activities
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