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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,

Welcome to the start of what promises to be another exciting year for the Calhoun HS Choral Program (CCP). This letter will make you aware of important guidelines and concert information. **I understand that this is one of a number of '1st Day' letters you will receive today, but I hope you will be able to take the time to read it anyway.**

The Bellmore-Merrick Music Faculty adopted a uniform set of Music Department guidelines in 1995. The Districtwide Music Handbook covers the areas of grading, attendance, rehearsals and performances, equipment care, and field trip responsibilities. Those policies, as well as CCP-specific information can be found in the "Online CCP Handbook", which is located on the Choral Program's award-winning website at <http://www.ccp1.org>. This website can be accessed by any of the school's 100+ computers, as well as any student's personal computer with internet access. All choral students **must** visit the CCP website and read the Choral Program Handbook within the first few weeks of school as part of their first homework assignment.

I invite you to visit the CCP website and view the "Online Handbook" as well. Please familiarize yourself with the class guidelines and return the signed bottom portion of this letter with your child.

The CCP website has been designed to be a great source of information for parents, students, and supporters of the Calhoun Choral Program. For example, all letters/ correspondence sent out to all groups during the school year are archived on the website. If you (or your child) misplace (or don't receive) information about concerts, auditions, trips, payment schedules, etc., simply visit the Correspondence Archive on the website. All parents and students should make it a point to visit the CCP Website every few weeks, as it is regularly updated.

As stated in the Handbook, attendance at performances is **mandatory**. The performance calendar for the coming school year is on the CCP Website. It is updated regularly- check back often! Please make every effort to attend our performances. This is an opportunity for you to see the finished product that your child has worked hard to help perfect.

Throughout the year, I will continually keep you informed of your child's progress and the progress of the Calhoun Choral Program. In the interim, if I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me @ **516-992-1373**, or you may email me: **ssardo@ccp1.org**.

Yours in Music,

Mr. Sanford Sardo  
CCP Director of Choral Activities

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(Please sign and return bottom)

I have read the Online CCP Handbook and understand the expectations and responsibilities of choral students at Calhoun.

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Parent Signs

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Student Signs

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Print Student's Name

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Date