

May 11, 2020

Good morning, everyone,

Please see below for details regarding Remote Learning for the Nipmuc Choruses during the week of May 11.

- Parents: this is designed to be an overview for you, so that you know what your students are working on this week. If you would like more details, please let me know.
- Students: this information, plus additional resources, are posted for you on Google Classroom. All work should be submitted on Google Classroom or through Google Drive.

Remote Learning Assignment - week of May 11

This week, you have a choice between 3 assignments (choose ONE of these options):

1. Participate in a new Virtual Choir Project.
2. Participate in a live lesson during your Zoom class.
3. Choose 2 projects from the list to complete, as you have been doing for the past two weeks.

The Google Classroom assignment contains detailed directions for each of these options and instructions for how to submit your work. We will also discuss each option during the beginning of your Zoom class. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Ms. Simmonds before your scheduled Zoom class in order to be able to make a choice.

Virtual Classes/Office Hours (check Google Classroom for the Zoom link):

- Virtual Classes will be meeting every week and are no longer optional. We will use the time to discuss the assignment, answer any questions, get some feedback about how things are going, and spend time collaborating. I will then start the new lesson for anyone choosing this option to complete their work. If you are not participating in the Zoom lesson and will be choosing either the Virtual Choir or to pick 2 projects from the published list, you can expect the Zoom class to last for about 20 minutes. If you are choosing to participate in the lesson, you can expect the Zoom class to last for the full 50 minutes.

- B block Concert Chorus: Monday, May 11, 11:00-11:50am

- E block Treble Chorus: Wednesday, May 13, 10:00-10:50am

- G block Vocal Ensemble: Thursday, May 14, 10:00-10:50am

- I will also have Virtual Office Hours on Thursday, May 14 from 1:00-2:00pm. During this time, you can drop in to ask any questions or get any individual help that you need.

Assignment Grades/Virtual Class Attendance

- Following the new guidelines issued by the district, Remote Learning Assignments will be graded on a Credit/No Credit basis. Grades will be updated once each week on PowerSchool.
- Attendance at Virtual Zoom classes will also be tracked using PowerSchool, but will not affect students' term grades.

Email me ANYTIME with questions, concerns, suggestions, etc.

- I will be checking email throughout the week and will make every effort to get back to you as quickly as possible. If you have questions, would like practice suggestions, or have ideas about additional resources that would be helpful to have - don't hesitate to let me know!

- Please also check the Daily Chorus News for updates, resources, and a few things to (hopefully) make you smile:

<http://www.mendonuptonmusic.org/daily-chorus-news-extended-learning-2020>

As always, if there are any questions I can answer, or anything I can do to support you during this time, please do not hesitate to be in touch with me at any point. .

Best,

Ms. Simmonds