

# Mary Lillard Leopard Choir

## Course Description

Dear 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent,

Your child is interested in becoming a member of the Mary Lillard Leopard Choir! I am looking forward to an exciting year of concerts, competitions and social events. Please review this course description with your student. If you are interested in enrolling your child in the Leopard Choir, return this signed paper to Mrs. Bonine on the due date.

**Due to limited space, requests for Choir  
will be filled in the order they are received.**

**Commitment:** 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Leopard Choir is a year-long elective. Students will study rhythm and solfege daily to improve their music reading and writing skills. We will study traditional choral music, including music in many different languages. Choir students commit to working hard, being respectful of every team member and SINGING EVERY DAY!

**Performances:** There will be a minimum of three evening performances during the school year. Evening performances are **REQUIRED** and graded. They take place at Willie Pigg or the Performing Arts Center, depending on availability. Performances generate a majority of the test grades in this class.

**Syllabus :** This year's Choir Syllabus is located on the homepage of the Leopard Choir webpage. [Leopardchoir.weebly.com](http://Leopardchoir.weebly.com) Please preview the syllabus for an outline of events, expectations and the grading policy. Your student will receive an updated hardcopy of the handbook for 2017-2018 during the first week of school next year.

### **Required Supplies:**

Uniform Shirt for performances: \$15.00 (not due at this time)

1 inch binder, any pattern or color

1 pack of dividers (8 count)

Pencil pouch, with two sharpened pencils

1 pack of notebook paper

\*In addition to the required supplies, please consider donating one of the following classroom supplies: Kleenex, hand sanitizer, extra pencils, erasers.\*



**“No Pass/No Play”:** According to Texas state law, students must be passing all classes with a 70% or higher to participate in some events. Leopard Choir students participate in the Pride of Texas Music Festival in the spring semester. This is a competition festival and “No Pass/No Play” applies.

**Fundraiser:** During the year, we will have some required after school practices and social events. There will be a Choir fundraiser in late October to generate money to pay for these events. Parents may choose to participate in the fundraiser or pay for their child’s participation in each event.

For a detailed look at our 6<sup>th</sup> grade Leopard Choir Program, please visit our website at [leopardchoir.weebly.com](http://leopardchoir.weebly.com)

If you have any questions, please email me at [KimberlyBonine@misdmail.org](mailto:KimberlyBonine@misdmail.org) .

*Kim Bonine*

MLIS Choir Director

**REMINDER:** There are a limited number of seats in Choir. Requests will be filled in the order they are received. We will begin collecting signed papers on

**DUE TUESDAY, APRIL 25TH**

I have read the Mary Lillard Leopard Choir Course Description and understand the expectations for participation. I would like to enroll my student in the Leopard Choir for the 2017-2018 school year.

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Parent Signature

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Student Name (please print)

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Date