

Valley Forge Middle School
Music Department Invitation
October 14, 2010

Dear Parent,

Your child has been selected by one of his friends to participate in a TESD Music Department choral event. Although your son is not singing in chorus at the present time, this might be an opportunity to reconsider.

On Tuesday, November 9, 2010 all boys from the Valley Forge Music Department choruses will join with the boys from the T/E Middle School choruses and Conestoga High School Men's Chorus to participate in a "Guys Harmonize" at Conestoga High School. At the workshop, the boys will sing with the young men of Conestoga's choruses to learn new songs, participate in fun music activities, have lunch and then perform a vertical (5th through 12th grade) Men's Mini-Concert for friends and family at the end of the school day - 1:35 PM - 2:00 PM.

The purpose of this event is to provide a safe, nurturing atmosphere where the boys will further develop a positive attitude about singing in a chorus. In a time when boys are searching for identity, boys who sing in the middle school need a positive attitude about themselves and an understanding of what is happening with their voices and where they "fit" in. Singing is personal and boys who sing in the middle school take risks and deal with peer pressure. At this event, the boys will experience singing with high school boys who are tenors and basses and excellent vocal models. Hopefully our boys will come away with a sense of community and of belonging.

Enclosed you will find information for your son for the Guys Harmonize Day and a field trip permission form. Please return by Thursday, October 21, 2010.

Thank you for supporting your son and his interest in singing.

Anne Sprissler
Choral Director