



April 15, 2021

Dear McKean Vocal Music Families,

I am beyond thrilled to have your student in choir this year. It has been a pleasure to get to know this remarkable group of talented singers! The McKean Choirs study a variety of quality literature, **learn performance skills**, study choral score reading, improve vocal production, **learn proper performance etiquette**, and most importantly – and have fun! To showcase our talents, the McKean Choirs are proud to presents “RISE UP”, our first outdoor concert. We will follow all CDC and RCCSD guidance to ensure the **safety** of all participants. The information provided in this letter will help you prepare for the upcoming concert. This is going to be an exciting event and you won’t want to miss it! Please save the date (s). I am looking forward to seeing you there!

<b>MHS OUTDOOR CHOIR CONCERT “RISE UP”</b>	MCKEAN ENSEMBLES & SOLOISTS
<b>WHO IS INVITED TO ATTEND?</b>	<b>ALL</b> McKean choir members! We <b>NEED</b> your voices 😊 <b>ALL</b> Family, Friends, Faculty & Staff
<b>DATE OF EVENT</b>	THURSDAY, MAY 13 <sup>th</sup> RAIN DATE - FRIDAY, MAY 14 <sup>th</sup>
<b>TIME OF EVENT</b>	Please arrive at 5:30PM for a <b>MANDATORY CHECK-IN</b> and to access our food truck.
<b>TIME OF CONCERT</b>	6:00PM –7:00PM
<b>LOCATION OF CONCERT</b>	MCKEAN HS on the hill just below the student parking lot across the school driveway from the baseball backstop. <i>(See pics below)</i>
<b>PARKING FOR CHOIR FAMILIES</b>	UPPER/STUDENT PARKING LOT
<b>EVENT COORDINATOR/CONTACT PERSON</b>	DR. HAAS, CHOIR TEACHER <a href="mailto:Chrystala.haas@redclay.k12.de.us">Chrystala.haas@redclay.k12.de.us</a>
<b>PURPOSE OF THE EVENT</b>	<b>NATIONAL CORE MUSIC STANDARDS</b> <i>CREATING:</i> Anchor Standard #3. Refine and complete artistic work [via live <b>performance</b> .] <i>PERFORMING, PRESENTING, PRODUCING:</i> Anchor Standard #4. Select, analyze and interpret artistic work for <b>presentation</b> . Anchor Standard #5. Develop and refine artistic techniques and work for <b>presentation</b> . Anchor Standard #6. Convey meaning through the <b>presentation</b> of artistic work. Community Building, Team-Work, Fun!
<b>PPE WILL BE PROVIDED IF NEEDED SELF HEALTH CHECK &amp; TEMPERATURE CHECKS HAND SANITIZING STATIONS</b>	Masks and social distancing are mandatory and will be enforced for your safety and the safety others. Each car must stop at our safety check points prior to parking.
<b>WHAT TO BRING</b> <i>(Please remember Money for Food Truck)</i>	Lawn chairs, blankets and <b>\$10</b> for the food truck. <i>(Social distancing zones with 6 feet in between will be created on the grassy hill for your safety.)</i>
<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>	Singers will stay after school for rehearsal choir riser formation and line up. Students will ride home with their families.
<b>ATTIRE FOR SINGERS: TEE SHIRTS, MASKS &amp; JEANS.</b> COPY & PASTE TEE SHIRT GOOGLE FORM IN A GOOGLE SEARCH BAR <i>Please indicate your “free” tee shirt size on the form. Tee design by Xomaira Davila</i>	<a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Cuj4pcULwXakuiiGJ-vKRS4fN8ob3bBeBgx4zVONMkqM/edit">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Cuj4pcULwXakuiiGJ-vKRS4fN8ob3bBeBgx4zVONMkqM/edit</a>



We are looking forward to the same socially distant camaraderie that makes McKean Choirs a family. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. Please take exquisite care of yourselves and I look forward to seeing on Thursday May 13<sup>th</sup> from 5:30PM-7:00PM for our MHS Outdoor Concert!

Warmest Regards-

*Dr. Haas*

Chrystal Haas, Ed. D.  
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Thomas McKean High School

*"The easiest way to avoid wrong notes is to never open your mouth to sing. **What a mistake that would be.**" -Pete Seeger*

*"Passionate involvement in the process separates the good from the great." -Anonymous*

*"In Dr. Haas' class we will demonstrate each day, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control"*



We A.R.E. McKean!

A=achievement R=responsibility E=empathy