

REDLANDS YOUTH CHOIR

PARENT POLICIES 2019-2020

Mission

The mission of the University of Redlands Youth Choir is to provide an environment for young people from surrounding communities to come together and learn important skills under the direction of Redlands faculty. Our Youth Choir program will teach music literacy, self-discipline, teamwork, respect for others, and afford all students the opportunity to learn and grow in a positive, engaging, and safe environment.

Staff

Zoe Petersen, Director of RYC
Stephanie Shepson, Accompanist & CSMA Coordinator
Kelsi Williams, Assistant Director of RYC
Paula Cevallos & Bailey Sako, Student Leaders
Timothy Cunningham & Jamison Stevens, Student Accompanists

Communication

Email: youth_choir@redlands.edu

Remind App: "RYC 2019-2020"

Type the number @81010 and text the message: @9db828

Ensembles

Training Chorus (Ages 4-7)

Meets Thursdays from 4:00-4:45PM in the Memorial Chapel Robbins Prayer Room.

Training Chorus is the "First Steps" apprentice group to the Redlands Youth Choir where children ages 4-7 are introduced to music fundamentals through song and movement. Training Chorus will perform in the two RYC concerts in November and May as well as participating in the Children's Feast of Lights performance.

Youth Choir (Ages 8-17)

Meets Thursdays from 4:30-6:00PM on the Memorial Chapel Main stage.

Youth Choir is an intermediate/advanced level choir for singers ages 8-17. The choir will receive instruction in the fundamentals of singing, music theory and solfège training as well as focusing on sight-reading, increasingly difficult repertoire and refining choral tone. This academic year, Youth Choir will perform in the annual fall and spring concerts as well as participating in the Children's Feast of Lights performance, Carmina Burana with the Inland Master Chorale, and a choral exchange with the children's choirs of San Jacinto Valley Academy.

Procedures

Sign In/Sign Out

Starting this year, a parent or guardian will be asked to sign their child/children in and out at the start and end of each rehearsal with a student leader. If needed, upon prior arrangement, students ages 11 and older are permitted to sign themselves in and out.

Closed Rehearsal

We politely ask that parents allow students to rehearse in their own space. Parents are welcome to wait in the lobby of the chapel or leave and return 10 minutes prior to the end of rehearsal.

Rehearsal and Concert Attendance

Attendance at all rehearsals and concerts is expected upon registration for the year. If a conflict or illness arises, please contact youth_choir@redlands.edu or text via Remind prior to the start of rehearsal that week.

Uniforms

Concert dress will be the same for every member of RYC.

-RYC Polo shirts cost \$20 and will be ordered for you this fall. Please take the time to fill out an order form with payment and size information.

-Concert black pants, socks and shoes are to be purchased on your own. Please see the attached page for guidelines and store suggestions.

Sheet Music

Folders, sheet music and pencils are provided each semester by RYC on the first day of choir. Students may take folders home each week to practice. On the last day of each semester, music and folders will be returned and reissued the following semester with new music.