

# Female Ensemble Syllabus

**Instructor:** Mrs. Sylvia Twine

**Course Description:**

Female Ensemble is an entry-level choral ensemble for 9<sup>th</sup> and first year 10<sup>th</sup> grade students. This course content will include preparatory voice training and ensemble leading to participation upper class ensembles. Students may be asked to perform in public performances.

**Content Standards:** Singing, alone and with others, a varied repertoire of music  
Reading and notating music

**Achievement Standards:**

Students will:

A.) Sing with expression and technical accuracy a large and varied repertoire of vocal literature with a level of difficulty of 4, on a scale of 1 to 6, including some songs performed from memory.

B.) Demonstrate well-developed ensemble skills

C.) Demonstrate the ability to read an instrumental and vocal score of up to four staves by describing how the elements of music are used

D.) Sight-read, accurately and expressively, music with a level of difficulty of 3, on a scale of 1 to 6.

**Evaluation:**

Class Participation 10%

Practice and Application 50%

Assessment (quizzes, tests, final exam) 40%

**Grading Scale:**

**A** 90-100 **B** 80-89 **C** 70-79 **D** 60-69 **F** 59 and below

## **Class Expectations:**

1. **Participation.** You are expected to participate in class sessions by listening actively, responding to the instructor's questions, and completing in-class exercises.
2. **Punctuality.** Tardiness disrupts class. Arrive at class on time. If you are tardy for a legitimate reason (illness or injury) please bring a pass from the office. Once attendance has been taken and recorded in ASPEN. I can only adjust (not nullify) the data entered.
3. **Attendance.** You are expected to be in class. Attending class and participating will improve your grade. **You can not pass a class you have not attended.**
4. **Respect.** For the classroom to be an effective and enjoyable learning environment there should be respect for each class member as well as the teacher. Only one person at a time should be talking. NO CELL PHONE USE unless otherwise stated by teacher.
5. **Effort.** Maximize every opportunity to learn. You are expected to practice the materials covered in class until it becomes automatic in execution. **Strive for perfection.**