



MINOR NOTES CHORAL

Dear Parents,

We are happy to welcome you and your child to the Minor Notes Chorale. The Minor Notes Chorale is for children ages 5-15. Included in this packet you will find the Registration, Medical, and Media consent forms. Auditions will be held during the first two rehearsals of each new semester. Please bring with you the registration packet materials on your child's first night. The audition itself is relaxed and enjoyable. We want our singers to be at ease by singing any song that is familiar to them from "Bingo" to "Ave Maria". We will also have your child sing scales and match pitch so that we may understand your child's vocal range and place them in a section of the chorus where they will be most successful. Perspective choir members are welcome to participate the first night without making a commitment. Rehearsals are held Monday nights from September through May at the United Presbyterian Church in Pottsville.

Audition Dates:

FALL 2023 Semester

Monday, September 18 (6:00 – 7:00 pm)

Monday, September 25 (6:00 – 7:00 pm)

SPRING 2024 Semester

Monday, January 15 (6:00 – 7:00 pm)

Monday, January 22 (6:00 – 7:00 pm)

WHO: Children ages 5-15

REHEARSALS:

Begin on Monday September 18, 2023 at the, United Presbyterian Church
214 Mahantango Street in Pottsville

TIME: Monday evenings from 6:00-7:00

PARKING: There is public parking available across the street from the church which is free to the public after 5:00 pm.

Mission Statement: The Minor Notes Chorale is the first ever nationally registered children's choir centered in Schuylkill County Pennsylvania. Its purpose is to create high level choral performances and music education to serve the youth of Schuylkill County. The choir performs two main concerts per year and includes additional performances both within and outside of the Schuylkill County area.

Staff:

Mrs. Allison Kline: *Director*. Mrs. Kline is a *Grammy-nominated* music educator living in Barnesville, PA. She serves as the Director of Bands and Director of Choral Music at Northwestern Lehigh High School in New Tripoli. She is the former director of Band and Choral activities at the Mahanoy Area High School in Mahanoy City. She is a graduate of Lebanon Valley College where she earned a B.S. in Music Education and a B.A. in Percussion Performance and has also received her M.A. in Classroom Technology from Wilkes University. In addition to teaching, Allison works with and performs in many musical ensembles throughout Pennsylvania. She also serves on the organizing committee for the Pennsylvania Lion's All-State Band where she serves as an Associate Conductor. She also regularly serves as a percussionist and featured vocal soloist with the Anthracite Philharmonic Orchestra. With the Schuylkill Choral Society, Allison has sung and accompanied the group throughout the state of Pennsylvania, as well as in the Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, France; St. Peters Basilica in Rome, Italy and other venues throughout Italy and France. Allison previously served as the Assistant Director and Accompanist for the Minor Notes Chorale and has conducted and accompanied the group in performances for the Philadelphia Phillies, 76ers and Flyers as well as in performances at The Empire State Building and Radio City Music Hall.

Dr. Mark P. Thomas: *Founder/Assistant*. Dr. Thomas is a *Grammy-nominated* music educator who has been recognized in both the United States and Europe for his passion, creativity, dedication, and leadership in the performing arts. **The Pottsville Republican** has recognized Thomas as “...a person who has made a difference to our county”. Dr. Thomas is the Music Director of the Schuylkill Choral Society and the Anthracite Philharmonic, Founder of the Minor Notes Chorale and Supervisor of Music for the Upper Perkiomen School District. Dr. Thomas frequently guest conducts PMEA choral festivals and other performing organizations throughout the world. He has received multiple awards including being listed in Who’s Who in the World, Who’s Who in America, and Who’s Who in Education. He was selected by Philadelphia Magazine as the “Best Choral Director” in the Philadelphia region. For his work in the community Dr. Thomas has been recognized by the US House of Representatives, the Pennsylvania House and Senate, the Schuylkill County Commissioners Office, and the Office of the President of the United States.

We look forward to having your child be a part of the Minor Notes Chorale. We are sure they will have a wonderful learning experience, make new friends, and enjoy the pure love of singing. Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Kline, Dr. Thomas, or Mrs. Eileen Brown-Thomas (administrator) with any questions you may have. Thank you for your interest in the Minor Notes Chorale.

Website: www.schchoral.org
(click on the Minor Notes Tab)

Phone: 484-941-2691

Email: minornoteschorale@comcast.net

Facebook: [Minor Notes Chorale](#)

**MINOR NOTES CHORALE
2023 FALL REGISTRATION FORM**

Name of Choir Student _____

Age _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Address _____

Home Phone Number _____

Cell Phone Number _____

Parent email address _____

Emergency contact name and phone number other than parent or guardian

Instructional Fees: Please check one of the options below.

Fall Semester 2023 ___ \$120.00 per semester (September - December)
Due by October 9, 2023

 ___ \$ 30.00 per month (September - December)
 Not to exceed \$120.00
 Due at the first rehearsal of each month

Checks are to be made payable to: **SCHUYLKILL CHORAL SOCIETY**

If a family has more than one student participating, the second child is given a \$20.00 discount per semester or \$10.00 discount per month.

I agree to allow my child to participate in the Minor Notes Chorale. I understand and comply with the payment schedule listed above.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

MEDICAL INFORMATION AND AUTHORIZATION FORM

Please complete both pages of this form

Name of Student: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Gender: Male Female

Please list any allergies or dietary restrictions that you feel the Staff should be aware of:
(This information will remain confidential):

Please list any prescription or non-prescription medicine your child is currently taking:

Mother/Guardian Name: _____

Address/City/State/Zip:

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Work Phone _____

Father/Guardian Name: _____

Address/City/State/Zip:

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Work Phone _____

Emergency Contact (if unable to reach a parent): _____

Address/City/State/Zip:

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Work Phone _____

Student's Doctor Information

Medical Doctor's Name _____

Practice Name _____ Phone: _____

Insurance Information

Insurance Company: _____

ID Number: _____ Group Number: _____

Insurance Subscriber: _____

Address: _____

Primary Phone: _____ Employer: _____

Special Instructions: _____

Acknowledgment, Waiver, and Authorization

We hereby acknowledge that our child _____ is solely responsible for administering his or her prescription and non-prescription medicine while in attendance at any Minor Notes Chorale event, and we further acknowledge that our child has been properly instructed by either ourselves or a licensed physician on the proper dosage and method of administration of his or her prescription and non-prescription medicine in accordance with said instructions.

We, on behalf of ourselves and our child, hereby agree to hold harmless and do hereby waive any and all claims against the Minor Notes Chorale, Schuylkill Choral Society, its staff, employees, officers, and agents, for any injuries to our child resulting from or caused by our child's failure to take or properly administer his or her prescription or non-prescription medicine while in attendance at Minor Notes Chorale events.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Relation to student _____ Date _____

In the event of an emergency, if a parent or guardian cannot be reached, I give permission to the Minor Notes Chorale Staff for my child _____ (student's name) to be transported (if necessary) and to receive medical treatment from a physician who may hospitalize, secure proper treatment for, and order injections, anesthesia, or surgery for my child named herein. To the best of my knowledge, I have listed my child's medical conditions and allergies on this form. My child has permission to participate in all activities of the Minor Notes Chorale.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Relation to student _____ Date _____

MINOR NOTES CHORAL WAIVER AND CONSENT FORM

Consent for Participation of a Minor

My son/daughter _____ has my permission to participate in the activities of the Minor Notes Chorale. I recognize the importance of my child following the instructions of the Minor Notes Chorale teachers and staff. I acknowledge that the Minor Notes Chorale and the Schuylkill Chorale Society carries no medical insurance on members and that any injury or illness incurred must be covered by my own medical insurance.

Legal Parent/Guardian Signature _____ **Date** _____

Liability Release

I recognize that certain risks and dangers exist during participation in Minor Note Chorale rehearsals and events. These include the loss or damage to personal property, injury, or fatality due to illness or accident during travel to or from an activity site. I understand that Minor Notes Chorale and the Schuylkill Choral Society assumes no responsibility or liability for accidents, illness or injury, loss or damage to personal property. I acknowledge and hereby assume all risks associated with my child's participation in the Minor Notes Chorale. I hereby hold Minor Notes Chorale, the Schuylkill Choral Society and /or its staff, directors, agents, harmless from any and all liability, action, claims, and damage of every kind and nature whatsoever, associated with my child's participation in the Minor Notes Chorale activities.

Legal Parent/Guardian Signature _____ **Date** _____

Media Consent

The Minor Notes Chorale publicizes and advertises through many differing venues including television, radio, the internet, and print publications (i.e.: newspaper, brochures, and posters). The Minor Notes Chorale is also frequently covered at public concerts by the varying media outlets. We require your permission before proceeding with any type of media coverage or publicity while your child is a member of the Minor Notes Chorale. Your signature on this consent form indicates your understanding of our media practices. It authorizes that your child may interact with the media during their tenure as a Minor Notes Chorale member and that they may have their photograph taken and possibly used as a part of the Minor Notes Chorale public relations efforts.

_____ Yes, I approve of the above media and publicity outlined practices of the Minor Notes Chorale.

_____ No, please do not include my child or his/her image in any Minor Notes Chorale materials.

Legal Parent/Guardian Signature _____ **Date** _____