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## Interested In Show Choir ????

“Middle Level Motion” is a competitive show choir that begins in late-October and finishes the season in mid-February. Students interested in being a member of the group must be willing to commit to a long and challenging rehearsal schedule in addition to all performances. **All members are expected to participate in all performances and competitions.** Show choir is a team that does not have a “bench.” Everybody is a performing member and is an important part of the whole group. Singer/dancers must be enrolled in chorus and band members must be in band.

The performances and competitions will start in early January and continue through February 21<sup>st</sup>. Rehearsals (Oct-Feb) are usually after school from 3:20 to 5:15 or 5:30, but sometimes a rare change may be scheduled to accommodate conflicts. Rehearsal schedules are updated bi-weekly. Missed rehearsals are a detriment to the group and must be avoided. Members of the group are expected to make every effort possible to attend every rehearsal. **100% of singer/dancer MLM members are expected to be at all the dance rehearsals!** Our choreographer is only available for a few days and we must be able to take advantage of those days. As always, communication to the directors is essential when there are conflicts.

As with many different youth activities, we do appreciate and would like to have involvement from parents/guardians. Assisting with dance camps, chaperoning trips and helping out at performances and competitions are all ways that parents/guardians can be involved. Also, help with costuming and staging is always appreciated. In addition to our scheduled competitions and performances, “Middle Level Motion” parents are asked to assist with helping at the Sauk Prairie Show Choir Invitational in late January. Clearly, there will be many opportunities for parents/guardians/etc. to become involved and active with “Middle Level Motion.”

**All prospective members of “Middle Level Motion” & a parent/guardian must attend an informational meeting on Monday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M. in the M. S. Cafetorium. If you cannot attend, please contact Mr. Powers or Mr. Williams.**

At this meeting, all prospective members and parents will receive co-curricular codes, student health forms and an audition application. These forms must be completed before a member is accepted into the group. **All paperwork is due to Mr. Powers by Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>.** The financial commitment for a year of middle school show choir is significant, but not unrealistic or unreasonable. Last year the cost-per-member was approximately \$150.00. We hope to have an idea about cost by the time of the meeting. If any prospective member family has concerns about these financial issues, please see Mr. Powers or Mr. Williams to discuss scholarships or work possibilities.

The first rehearsal for singer/dancers will be on \_\_\_\_\_ from 3:20 to 5:00 P.M. Mr. Williams will notify band members of the show band rehearsal schedule. Commitment, effort, ability and dedication are all essential ingredients for the group to be successful. Please contact Mr. Powers (643-5539 or powerch@staff.saukpr.k12.wi.us) or Mr. Williams (643-5538 or willije@staff.saukpr.k12.wi.us) if you have any questions.