

FOX VALLEY CHILDREN'S CHORUS

MEMO

November 27, 2011

Tomorrow is the last rehearsal before our concert this weekend! Last week's rehearsals went very well, so I'm looking forward to putting finishing touches on tomorrow, then giving a fine performance on Sunday. The weekend schedule will be as follows:

Saturday, 9:00-11:00 AM, dress rehearsal at Fox Valley Presbyterian Church, 227 Eastside Drive, Geneva. For those of you who are new, "dress rehearsal" does NOT mean that they should wear their concert uniforms, it means that we will practice running the concert in the concert space. They should dress like they normally do, although a FVCC t-shirt is always a good idea!

Sunday, Dec 4, Concert, 2:00 PM; 1:00 PM call time; concert dress

Now for my speech about **vocal/general health** for the next few weeks. Of course there is always the possibility that some of us will catch a cold or a bug of some kind, but if we are mindful of taking care of ourselves, the chances of getting sick are less. Please make sure that your child: 1) drinks plenty of water for the next 3 weeks, 2) eats healthy and does not skip meals 3) gets plenty of sleep. 4) Keep hands away from their faces, and wash them lots. I would respectfully ask that you not allow sleepovers on a night before a performance. A good performance requires LOTS of energy and the ability to focus. Please discourage overuse of the voice—yelling, screaming—for the next 3 weeks. They have worked so hard this fall, and it would be very disappointing if they missed the performance!

Sunday's concert will be recorded (audio), and you may order a CD of the concert for \$7. There is an order form at the bottom of this MEMO. Please make your checks payable to Ryan Pieratt, NOT FVCC. Please put your order form AND money in an envelope with Ryan Pieratt on the outside. Your child may turn that in to me on Saturday at the dress rehearsal.

Folders should be turned in on Sunday at the warm-up. I will then be able to refill them for the spring semester which begins on January 2.

We will hold auditions again on Saturday, December 10, 9:30-noon and Monday, December 12, 6-8 PM. If you know of those who might be interested, please have parents call me for more info or to set up an audition.

The Nutcracker performances are on December 17 and 18. There will be a dress rehearsal on December 17 at 5:00 PM, then we perform at 6:40 to 6:55 PM. The performance on the 18th is at 2:00 PM with a 1:00 PM call time. we will be done at 1:55 PM. There may be a fitting for choir robes that they want us to wear for these performances. I just got that word today, so I will let you know the particulars of that as I learn them.

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