

Joseph Ferderbar Vocal Music

Dear Parents,

Your child has a chance to participate in a very special choral group. I have always been a firm believer that talents should be used in service to the community. This year, the Ferderbar Vocal Department will be partnering with **Attleboro Nursing Home** in Langhorne. Students will perform for the residents multiple times during the year with our first performance on **Friday, December 15th at 10:30** (more dates will be sent home as soon as they are confirmed). All performances will be during the school day and transportation will be provided via bus. **Permission slips for each trip will be sent home a few weeks prior to the date.** For the December performance, students can wear holiday-themed clothes and colors.

Students who participate in this group will need to commit to before school rehearsals to prepare the music for each performance. We will rehearse **every Thursday from 8:20-8:50 starting Thursday, October 19th. Please plan on dropping your student off at the main entrance between 8:10 & 8:15. Students at Kids Club can walk to the music room at 8:20.** Due to the Thanksgiving break, we will have one **Monday morning rehearsal on November 20th.** Students who miss too many rehearsals may be asked to leave the group. In addition, students will be paired up with a resident to begin a pen pal relationship. This may require a recess or two here and there (and/or time at home) to write our letters and prepare for a social visit. Please note that our December performance will include some traditional Christmas carols (*Silent Night, Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*, etc.). We need to prepare enough songs to fill our allotted time, and these are the songs that the residents will be expecting. I am looking to expand this group in our second year. Ideas for how we can use our talents in service to our local Ferderbar community are welcome!

There is no cost for this group and chaperones are not needed. Please complete and return the attached permission slip by **Tuesday, October 10th.** Due to performance space and other contributing factors, this group will be limited to 50 students. Students need to be a part of 4th grade chorus in order to participate as we will use songs from our concerts as well. **The first 50 students to return the form will be accepted into the group.** If you have any questions or concerns, I can be reached through the school at **(215) 809-6370** or via email at apatrick@neshaminy.org. Email is the easiest way to reach me. Please do not hesitate to contact me!

Sincerely,
Ms. Patrick

-----Please sign, detach, and return no later than Tuesday, Oct. 10th-----

I understand the commitment involved with joining this special group. I will attend all rehearsals (unless I am sick) and give my best at each one.

Parent Signature

Teacher _____

Student Signature