



Sloan Creek Sixth Grade Choir

When you choose choir as your 6th grade elective, you choose to be part of a nationally recognized 6-12 choral program. Students in 6th grade choir are the future All-State members, musical theatre stars, soloists, and leaders of Lovejoy ISD. To be a Singing Leopard is to join a tradition of great fun, lifelong friendship, and unparalleled musical excellence.

In 6th grade choir, students learn the fundamentals and choral skills they will use throughout their time in choir, from intermediate school through middle school, high school and beyond. Focus is on healthy vocal technique, vowel production for choral singing, music literacy and proper concert etiquette. Students learn to perform a variety of repertoire. Although there are several classes of 6th grade choir, every class will learn and perform the same songs on each concert.

Aside from musical skills, students in choir learn teamwork and discipline, gain a deeper understanding and appreciation of music, express themselves creatively, and through the music delve into languages, history, mathematics and physics.

Ultimately, students in the Sloan Creek Choir have fun! In the 2018-2019 school year, the choir performed at the Dallas Arboretum, had after school social events like pajama parties and a Main Event outing, and will compete at the NRH20 Water Park Choir Festival in May! From the Courtyard Pop Concert to the Disney Spectacular Show, students love being part of the exceptional LISD Choral Department, and they love making music together.

SCIS Choir FAQs

Do I have to audition for choir? No, there is no audition for the 6th grade choirs. They will be made up of both girls and boys with a wide variety of musical backgrounds.

May I sign up for choir even if I didn't sing in my elementary choir? Absolutely! There is no previous experience required. All you need is the desire to sing!

Do I ever have to sing a solo? No, but many solo opportunities are available during the year if you are interested.

Are there any expenses involved in choir? Students will be required to purchase a choir t-shirt and a supply fee at the beginning of the school year (approximately \$15) that serves as part of their choir uniform throughout the year.

How many concerts and after school rehearsals do we have? There are approximately 4 to 5 concerts during the school year. There will be one after school rehearsal before each concert. Concerts may include the SCIS Fall Fine Arts Preview, a Winter Concert at the LISD Fine Arts Festival, a "Pop Show" featuring more contemporary music, and a spring Courtyard Concert. Students will also participate in a spring choral festival.

Am I able to do other activities? Yes! Choir students 6-12 are involved in many different activities including club sports, district sports, dance, robotics, theatre and other music programs.

What kind of future can I expect from taking choir? After your experience in the great SCIS Choir, you will continue in choir at Willow Springs MS and Lovejoy HS, both recognized as two of the best choir programs in the state of Texas! In addition to the traditional choirs at both the middle school and the high school, students may also audition to participate in the pop/jazz choirs. Students in MS and HS may also choose to audition for All-Region and All-State. There are many opportunities for students to participate in choir at whatever commitment level they choose. College and university choir directors actively recruit Lovejoy choir students to participate in their programs and to award scholarships!

Hear the SCIS Sixth Grade Choirs sing!

♪ Tuesday, March 26 – 6th Grade Choir presents “Disney Spectacular”, 6:30 p.m. - WSMS

♪ Tuesday, May 21 – 6th Grade Choir Spring Concert, 6:30 p.m. - WSMS

Lovejoy ISD Choir Staff

♪ Cathy Koziatek & Kelly D’Souza - Lovejoy HS

♪ Hannah Brewton - Willow Springs MS and Sloan Creek IS

♪ Brooke Grall - Sloan Creek IS

Just a few of the Lovejoy ISD Choir Department achievements

♪ Lovejoy High School Choir performed the Mass service at St. Peter’s Basilica in the Vatican, Rome (2015), a concert in Old North Church in Boston (2011), and a concert at St. John’s the Divine Cathedral in New York (2009). In addition, they have performed on the campuses of Oklahoma State University (2015), University of Texas (2016), Texas Christian University (2019), Louisiana State University (2017), and Texas A&M University-Commerce (2018). They also performed for a large holiday audience at Downtown Disney in Orlando, FL (2016)!

♪ The WSMS Choir performed at the American Choral Directors’ Association Convention in 2013 - this is the equivalent of winning nationals!

♪ The LHS Choir was selected to perform at the Texas Music Educators’ Association Convention in 2013

♪ LHS Choir won “Outstanding Choir” at Festival Disney in Orlando (2014).

♪ LHS Choir was the 2016-2017 most successful program in Region 25 with 30 All-Region Choir members, 14 All-Area members, and 5 Texas All-State Choir members. And they continue to lead the region to this day!

♪ LHS Choir premiered the brand-new work, *Gloria*, by composer Michael John Trotta with the Texas A&M-Commerce Choir in November 2018 at TAMUC.

♪ LHS Choir has worked with the following university and professional conductors during the last four years: Dr. Joshua Habermann (Dallas Symphony Chorus, Santa Fe Desert Chorale), Dr. Christopher Aspaas (TCU), Dr. Andrew Crane (BYU), Dr. Karen Kenaston-French (UT-Arlington), Mr. Craig Aamot (Texas State University), Dr. Jerry McCoy (UNT), Dr. Randall Hooper (TAMUC), Ms. Nora Henson (Youth Chorus of Greater Dallas, SMU), Dr. JD Burnett (University of Georgia), Dr. John Dickson (LSU), Dr. James Morrow (UT-Austin), Dr. Z. Randall Stroope (OSU).

♪ The LHS and WSMS Choirs have won close to 100 UIL sweepstakes awards, the most of any LISD organization.

♪ LHS and WSMS programs have musical performances each year and host great choir social events.



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