**John Jay Middle School**  
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*“Learn. Care. Lead.”*

Mr. Jeffrey Swiatowicz, Principal  
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**2019-2020 Open House**

**JJMS Goal:** Take the time to get to know our students well and use that knowledge to increase student engagement in our classrooms.

**Subject:** 6th, 7th & 8th Grade Chorus

**Teachers’ Names:** Sarah Cordes & Carly Spaeth-Walsh

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**Course Mission Statement:**
Students will achieve musical expression and independence through the study of technique, practice strategies, reflection, preparedness, and classical repertoire.

**Curriculum:** Students will develop musical skills in the following areas:
- Vocal Technique
- Vocal Performance
- Music Reading
- Sight-singing
- Music Theory

**Grading and Homework:** Students will be graded on the following:
- **Participation 55%** Preparation with music, supplies and rehearsal etiquette.  
- **Concert and Rehearsal Attendance 15%**  
- **Singing Tests 30% (at extra help or via Flipgrid)** Based on preparation of music, scales, rhythms as well as all written exams.

**Resources:**
- All music, recordings, and vocal parts can be found on E-Chalk for at home practice.

**Extra Help:** Tuesdays after school

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