

CDCC CHRISTMAS CONCERT NOTES:

Combined Rehearsal: The choirs will rehearse together at the Belle Mehus Auditorium (located on 6th and Broadway) on **Friday, December 14**. The combined choir rehearsal is set for **4:15 pm to 4:45 p.m.** All students must attend, and they should be **wearing their choir T-Shirt**. **Please enter through the SE door on Broadway.** The biggest part of this rehearsal is placement. With 300 children to position, this rehearsal is our one opportunity to avoid mass confusion at the concert that night. We explain *where* to go to warm up, entrances, choir rotation, etc.

It is very important that you have a plan as to where to meet your child after rehearsal and after the performances. Please make sure your singer knows the plan before you drop them off. There will be lots of singers, parents, and cars around the Belle. We also ask that you drive very carefully around the Belle and watch for pedestrians crossing the streets.

Warm up Sites and Call Times for Christmas Concerts:

Jubilate – 7:10 pm call time Upstairs Dressing Room

Bel Canto – 7:10 pm call time Back Stage

Kantorei – 7:00 pm call time 2nd floor Atrium (north side of balcony)

Angelica & Cantus – 7:05 pm call time Conductors room

Concert Tickets: Our Christmas concert dates are **Friday, December 14**, and **Saturday, December 15**, at **7:30 p.m. at the Belle Mehus Auditorium**. Each choir will be featured individually. The choirs will then combine to present “A Holiday Sing-Along” as the finale. I am really looking forward to this event, and I hope you are too!!! Tickets are available at Eckroth Music, the choir office, and online at www.aboutcdcc.org. They will be available the day of the concerts at the box office which opens at 6:15 p.m. Adult tickets are \$13, student (age 6 - college) and senior citizen tickets are \$10, and children 5 and younger are admitted free of charge. Season tickets are available for sale in the choir office until noon on December 13.

For first-time families in CDCC, we would like to point out that the length of our concert runs about 1½ to 1¾ hours. With each choir performing individually and then joining together for a finale, the minutes add up. While we love to have children attend our concert, please keep in mind the concert length when bringing little ones. Some children can sit easily through our concert and others have a difficult time. We want you to do what’s best for your family. We ask that you remain seated during performances. If you need to move about (think restroom breaks), please do so when singers are going on and off stage. Please return to your seats between choirs as well, or at least between songs. Being considerate of other audience members makes the concert more enjoyable for everyone.

We hope that you will encourage friends, family, and anyone who enjoys music to attend our concert. If you have not attended an event at the Belle Mehus Auditorium, you are in for a treat. Aesthetically, it is the best place in Bismarck to perform. CDCC spends a lot of time and effort to make sure the students sing wonderfully, look professional, and have the best venue for performances. I would like to acknowledge **Knife River Corporation** as our sponsor for this concert. Without their support, we would not be able to perform at the Belle.

Thank you, parents, for all you do to make CDCC great.

Happy Holidays from the staff of CDCC!!!