

Milwaukee Children's Choir Rehearsal Attendance Policy

Membership in the Milwaukee Children's Choir (MCC) is a commitment to faithful, consistent and punctual attendance. It is expected that rehearsals take a very high priority in each child's life. Each child holds a valuable place in his/her choir. All rehearsals and performances are mandatory unless otherwise indicated.

We encourage each singer to maintain a perfect attendance record. In order to be excused, your MCC Rehearsal Assistant must be notified prior to the rehearsal. Failure to notify the Rehearsal Assistant of an absence will cause the absence to be unexcused. Poor attendance could result in dismissal from MCC.

Pre-Arranged Absence: In case of a planned absence, notice as far in advance as possible is appreciated. Singers in Prelude and Cantabile choirs are welcome and encouraged to attend other rehearsal sites to make up a missed rehearsal. Just be sure to let the director and rehearsal assistant of the alternate site know ahead of time.

Leave of Absence: If a singer will miss more than two consecutive rehearsals, please request a leave of absence through your rehearsal assistant. Your choir director will then contact you with any questions or concerns they may have regarding your leave.

MCC families should report a singer absence using the "Report a Singer Absence" link on the Member's Only page of the MCC website (www.milwaukeechildrenschoir.org) or email their rehearsal assistant prior to a missed rehearsal. The rehearsal assistant will then notify the director. Absence Reports on the website or emails sent one hour before rehearsal or less will not be received but should be sent anyway.

Excused/Planned Absences:

Illness, death in the family, family emergency, school concert or planned absence

Children who belong to MCC have a right to sing, to learn, and to have fun in rehearsal. However, children do not have a right to perform unless they have excellent attendance and learn their music. An absence, for any reason, from a final rehearsal (dress rehearsal) before a performance on the choir calendar may result in the singer being excluded from the corresponding concert. (If a final rehearsal has been missed, singers should not arrive at the concert expecting to perform unless prior arrangements with the director have been made.) If a singer misses more rehearsals than what is acceptable to their choir director during a concert cycle, they may not be allowed to perform in that concert.

The MCC Religious Holiday Policy:

Any singer needing to be absent because of a major religious holiday shall not have the absence counted against them.