
About the School

East High School

Denver, CO

Type:

Urban/Comprehensive

Grades:

9-12

Students:

1,900

Very mixed socio-economic status

Arts Requirement:

None

About the Music Program

Faculty:

2 full-time (1 vocal and 1 instrumental)

Students:

142

Facilities:

Above Average in the Area

- 2 classrooms (instrumental and vocal)
- School auditorium

Required Courses:

None

Elective Vocal Music Courses:

Beginning Choir, Men's Ensemble, Seraphim, Honor Choir, Angelaires, Beginning Music Theory, AP Music Theory, and Voice

About the Featured Class

Seraphim/Women's Choir:

Students receive advanced-level training and musical experiences in all styles, to help them better appreciate and express themselves through vocal music.

Audition Requirements:

Students must demonstrate whether or not they have learned the necessary skills taught in Beginning Choir, such as music reading.

Student Motivation:

High. Most students are motivated by the desire to be in a high level choir rather than a beginning choir.

Student Level:

Intermediate

Typical Subsequent Courses:

Students who are motivated usually follow up on this experience by auditioning for Honor Choir and Angelaires.

In the Teacher's Words

What is the title of the Bobby McFerrin CD you listened to in class?

We listened to "Circlesong Three" from Bobby McFerrin's album "Circlesongs", which he describes as "completely improvised performance; every moment is free of preconceptions and is created anew."