



# NORTH ANDOVER HIGH SCHOOL

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## WEEK AT A GLANCE

Please see the two attachments to this Week At A Glance:

1. Money Raffle Letter
2. Mrs. Durkin's research project information letter

**Monday, May 8- Friday, May 12**

**Thursday, 5/11: Full Choral Rehearsal—ALL STUDENTS** who are not in class this trimester but are still planning on singing in the concert should plan on attending this rehearsal!!

2:20- 3:00: Auditorium

## GLANCING FURTHER AHEAD

**Thursday, 5/18: S&B Singers Rehearsal**

2:20- 3:00: Chorus Room

**Tuesday, 5/23: Concert Dress Rehearsal**

5:00- 6:00: Concert Choir

6:00- 7:00: S&B

**Tuesday, 5/30: Concert Dress Rehearsal**

4:30- 5:30: Concert Choir

5:30- 6:00: New Officer/ Section Leader Elections

6:00- 7:00: S&B Singers

**Friday, 6/2: Graduation Rehearsal**

8:45am: Chorus SENIORS warm-up

10:00am- 11:00am: S&B NON Seniors Only

**Friday, 6/2: Coffee House**

5:30pm- 8:00pm: Courtyard

**\*\*TUESDAY 6/6: NAHS MUSIC BANQUET\*\* -- CHANGED FROM ORIGINAL DATE**

7:00pm: NAHS Auditorium

**Wednesday, 6/7: Grad Rehearsal**

8:15am: Warm-up SENIORS AND S&B Singers

8:30- 11am: Rehearsal (S&B and Seniors only)

**Thursday, 6/8: Awards Day**

**Friday, 6/9: Graduation**

Dear music parents/guardians,

The North Andover music department will be starting its first annual raffle ticket fundraiser this Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. There is a \$1000.00 cash prize for the lucky winner. We will only be selling 250 tickets and are asking each student in the music department to sell **ONE** \$25.00 ticket. Tickets will be sold through Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>. The winning ticket will be drawn at the spring concert on Thursday, June 1<sup>st</sup>.

The music department will also be hosting a Chipotle fundraiser on Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 9:00. The music department will receive 50% of the sales between these hours, so please join us and enjoy a night out!

Sara and I thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions please feel free to email us at [durkins@northandoverpublicschools.com](mailto:durkins@northandoverpublicschools.com) or [smalleyj@northandoverpublicschools.com](mailto:smalleyj@northandoverpublicschools.com).

Best Regards,  
Sara and Justin

### **Upcoming Music Department Events:**

**Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup> – Jazz Night/Art Show featuring guest artist Trent Austin - 7:00PM North Andover High School Cafeteria**

**Thursday, June 1<sup>st</sup> – North Andover High School Music Department Spring Concert -7:00PM North Andover High School Auditorium**

**Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> – Spring Coffee House – 5:00 North Andover High School Court Yard**

**Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup> – Music Department Awards Banquet – 7:00PM North Andover High School Auditorium**

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**INFORMATION LETTER  for a Research Study entitled  “*Student Attitudes Regarding the Effectiveness of Self-assessment Techniques on Musical Growth in the High School Choral Classroom*”**

**You are invited to participate in a research study** to determine student attitudes regarding the effectiveness of implemented self- and peer- assessment procedures on group and individual musical growth within the choral classroom. Mrs. Sara Durkin, Choral Director at North Andover High School, is conducting the study under the direction of Dr. Nancy Barry, Ph.D. in the Auburn University Department of Curriculum and Teaching. You are invited to participate because you are a member of the North Andover High School choral program.

**What will be involved if you participate?** Your participation is completely voluntary. If you decide to participate in this research study, you will be asked to complete a survey regarding your opinions on self- and peer- assessment activities we have completed in class. As a participant in the study, you will be asked to respond honestly to questions and share any opinions or thoughts you have on the addressed topics. The topics will focus around whether you find the implemented peer- and self-assessment procedures to be effective in facilitating musical growth. Your total time commitment will be approximately twenty minutes.

**Are there any risks or discomforts?** There are no risks or discomforts. Since the

survey is anonymous, there will be no information you will be asked to provide that will link your participation to your survey responses. Participation in this research study is entirely optional.

**Are there any benefits to yourself or others?** If you participate in this study, you can expect to contribute to the growth and development of the choral program. Information will be used to assess the self-evaluation procedures that are in place, and determine a direction improving their implementation in the classroom. Insight gained from this study will help determine what the students gain from this teaching methodology, and will hopefully lead to increased student learning, personal development, and a stronger musical performance.

**Will you receive compensation for participating?** Participants will not be offered any monetary or grade compensation for their participation.

**If you change your mind about participating,** you can withdraw at any time by notifying Mrs. Sara Durkin's verbally or through email. If you choose to withdraw, your data can be withdrawn from the study. Your decision about whether or not to participate or to stop participating will not jeopardize your future relations with Mrs. Durkin, with the North Andover High School Music Department, or Auburn University.

**Any data obtained in connection with this study will remain confidential.** We will protect your privacy and the data you provide by changing all student names, eliminating all ways of determining student identities in the data reporting, as well as keeping all surveys password protected. Information collected through your participation will be used as part of Mrs. Sara Durkin's research study for the completion of her Education Specialist degree through Auburn University.

**If you have questions about this study,** please contact Mrs. Sara Durkin at [durkins@northandoverpublicschools.com](mailto:durkins@northandoverpublicschools.com) or (978) 794-1711 x50031 at any point leading up to, during, or at the completion of the study.

**If you have questions about your rights as a research participant,** you may contact the Auburn University Office of Research Compliance or the Institutional Review Board by phone (334) 844-5966 or e-mail at [IRBadmin@auburn.edu](mailto:IRBadmin@auburn.edu) or [IRBChair@auburn.edu](mailto:IRBChair@auburn.edu).

Having read the information above, you may decide if you wish to participate in this research project. If you decide to participate, please email Mrs. Sara Durkin at [durkins@northandoverpublicschools.com](mailto:durkins@northandoverpublicschools.com), or discuss your desire to participate with her. You will then be given the necessary consent forms to sign and return. You

may keep a copy of this letter for your records.