

# *Casper Children's Chorale*

## 2016-17 Auditions!

The Casper Children's Chorale is a select chorus of boys and girls from Natrona County. The Chorale has appeared on National Music Conventions, been consistent winners of Heritage Music Festivals, and is the proud recipient of the Wyoming Governor's Arts Award. The **Chorale**, limited to eighty singers in 4<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> grades, and **Bel Canto**, fifty children in grades 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>, offers positive and challenging choral music experiences for young singers with unchanged voices. Chorale has a reputation as a highly disciplined performing group, but its main promotion is the knowledge and love of singing.

With a limited number of performances, the Chorale strives to enhance, not replace, individual school choirs. Each September through May season includes a Fall Concert Performance, Holiday Concert, Winter Church Tour, School Tour, the annual Mother's Day Concert, and Spring Tour. Children's Chorale has toured throughout Wyoming and across our nation, from Los Angeles to New York, from Chicago to Vancouver, B.C. Spring of 2017 will be a CCC Festival Trip, with exact travel plans yet to be revealed.

**Chorale** singers rehearse each Tuesday (4:00-5:30 p.m.) and *one* additional 5:00-6:30 p.m. Thursday per month. The Chorale is a non-profit group administered by a parent Board of Directors with funding from donations and singer's \$35 monthly tuition. Scholarships and fund-raising activities are available to help with tuition and additional trip costs. The conductor of the Children's Chorale is nationally recognized choral musician Marcia Patton, assisted by four talented and certified vocal music teachers each rehearsal.

**Bel Canto** is the primer choir for the Chorale. These younger singers, led by choral music educator Terry Schreckengost, meet weekly for one hour, (Tuesdays 4:15-5:15 p.m.), and sing two major concerts. They do not travel. Tuition is \$70 per semester.

New member screenings will be May 17<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 701 S. Wolcott. Text **307-259-7583** or e-mail [mlockwood75@yahoo.com](mailto:mlockwood75@yahoo.com) to schedule a time to sing "AMERICA" (My Country 'tis of Thee...) in the key of F. Results will be mailed June 5<sup>th</sup>. Board Members will be at auditions to answer any questions about the Chorale. Visit our website [www.casperchildrenschorale.com](http://www.casperchildrenschorale.com), or YouTube!

***Bring a self-addressed, stamped, 9x4" envelope to your audition. Thank you!***

