Welcome to the 6th Annual...

Erie Choral Festival

This event was created to recognize the talent of our choirs within the community and come together as one. We hope you enjoy!

tonight's performance:

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Dansi INa Kuimba		Dave & Jean Perry
	Black Rock Elementary School	
Be Kind To Your Parents		Rome arr. Jackie O'Neill
	Erie Elementary School	
The Moon		Andy Beck
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	Soaring Heights Elementary & Middle School	
Firefly		Andy Beck
	Erie Middle School	
Water Fountain		Kristopher Fulton
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	Erie High School	
The Music of Living		Dan Forrest
	Tutti Choirs	
There Has To Be a Song.		Andrea Ramsey
	A collaboration made possible by:	
	Red Hawk ES - Amy Abbott, Director	
	Black Rock ES- Loretta Harvey, Director Erie Elementary School- Anna Schultz, Director	
	Soaring Heights MS - Beth Chaudhri, Director	
	Soaring Heights ES- April Waskiewicz, Director	
	Erie MS - Abby Martinez, Director Erie HS - Thalia Burd, Director	
	Erie H5 - Thalia Burd, Director Accompanists - Szilvia Schranz, Susan Mautz & Shelley Litavish	

Music represents many diverse cultures, religions, historical events, languages, and artistic forms that are present in our society. Through music, we learn what some cultures believe and used to believe... not what we should believe.

About our choirs

Erie High School CR5: CR5 is an auditioned, advanced mixed choir of 42 singers. Students who are a part of this choir exhibit advanced vocal techniques, skills in music theory, maturity, and strong stage presence. This choir attends many outside festivals, competitions and travels. They are one of six choirs at Erie High! CR5 students participate in All State Choir and SVVSD Honor Choir, and each year they perform at the MSU Choral Festival, Erie Country Christmas, CU Basketball Games, and more!

Erie Middle School: The Erie Middle School 8th Grade Choir is a non-auditioned mixed choir of 100 students that meets every day as an elective class. Some students have been with the EMS Choir department since the beginning of 6th grade, and some just joined this year. In addition to concert music preparation, this class choir focuses on learning the anatomy of singing, music theory, world music history, and team building. Eighth Grade Choir performs three traditional concerts per year, as well as participating in the Erie Choral Festival, Erie Country Christmas, CU Basketball Games, SVVSD Honor and All State Choirs, and various other performance and travel opportunities. This year, our students look forward to our first out-of-state trip to perform in DisneyWorld in May!

Red Hawk Elementary: "The Red Hawk Chili Peppers" is a non- auditioned group that meets before school, two times a week in the fall. The choir was established when the school opened in 2011 and is made up of 4th and 5th grade students. We focus on singing in harmony, tone production, and having a fun time together. The choir in the spring puts on a spring musical. Black Rock Elementary: The Black Rock Choir is a non-auditioned choir which consists of 70 fourth and fifth grade singers. We rehearse once a week before school. Students learn vocal technique and sing a varied repertoire. Singers also learn how their voice plays an important part of a large vocal ensemble. The Black Rock Choirs spring concert is Monday, March 11th at 7:15PM at Black Rock Elementary.

Erie Elementary: The Erie Elementary Choir is a non-auditioned group of 4th and 5th graders that meets once every week. They focus on vocal techniques, varied repertoire, musicianship, and having a good time! Our Spring Concert will be on Tuesday, April 9th at 6:30 in the Erie High School Auditorium.

Soaring Heights PK-8: The Soaring Heights Songbirds made up of 4th and 5th grade singers joins the Middle School Intermediate choir "Intermezzo" Choir is a non-auditioned mixed choir of 7th grade students which meets daily as an elective class. Singers experience singing in an ensemble setting, performing a variety of repertoire, learning about healthy vocal technique, music theory, and belong to a culture of choir family! Singers perform in three school concerts and various extra opportunities throughout the school year.

A special thank you to:

Dr. Don Haddad - SVVSD Superintendent Mr. Chase McBride - SVVSD Executive Director of Athletics, Fine Arts, PE, and Health Mrs. Janay Bird - SVVSD Fine Arts Coordinator Mr. Josh Griffin – Erie HS Principal Ms. Liz Russell - Erie HS Assistant Principal Mr. Justin Carpenter- Erie HS Assistant Principal Mr. Mike Green- Erie HS Assistant Principal Mr. Chad Cooper- Erie HS Assistant Principal/Athletic Director Mr. Brandon Havard - Erie HS Dean of Students Mrs. Lindsau Fox- Erie HS Dean of Students Dr. Andrea Smith - Erie MS Principal Mrs. Taryl Smith - Erie MS Assistant Principal Mr. Jeff Tomasek - Erie MS Dean of Students Mrs. Sherru Carter - Black Rock Elementary Principal Mrs. Karrie Borski - Black Rock Elementary Assistant Principal Mrs. Lauren Eker - Erie Elementary Principal Mr. Tim Garcia – Red Hawk Elementary Principal Ms. Shelley Neher – Red Hawk Elementary Assistant Principal Mr. Cyrus Weinberger - Soaring Heights PK-8 Principal Ms. Megan Quirk - Soaring Heights PK-8 Assistant Principal Ms. Stephanie Meyer - Soaring Heights PK-8 Dean Ms. Anna Mills - Soaring Heights PK-8 Dean Erie Staff, Parents, & Community – Thank you for your support and encouragement! EHS Custodial Staff - Thank you for helping us prepare for this big event! Basketball Teams/Coaches - Thank you for allowing us to share your space!