MUSIC READINESS SCREENING

FOR CHILDREN AGES 9-12



To be considered for placement in our Intermediate or Advanced Choir levels, your child must complete the following musical readiness check. Please review the example below.

Your child should be able to read and perform both lines without assistance.

! IMPORTANT

- If your child is **age 9 or 10** and they cannot independently read and perform these two lines, they may still be considered for our Prep Choir program.
- If your child is **age 11 or 12** and they cannot independently read and perform these two lines, they are not eligible to join the Northwest Boychoir at this time.

LINE 1 – RHYTHM

Your child may perform the rhythm by:

- Clapping
- Speaking in counts (e.g., "1 and 2 and")
- Using a rhythm system (e.g., "ta-ti-ti-ta")

Any method is acceptable as long as the rhythm is accurate.



LINE 2 - MELODY (PITCHED NOTES)

Notes may be sung using:

- Solfege (Do, Re, Mi, etc.)
- Any syllables or neutral vowel (e.g., "la" or "oo")

Accuracy of pitch and rhythm is most important. Your child must sing it unassisted. *No one should play or sing it for them first,* but giving a starting pitch is okay.

