



**Filemon B. Vela Middle School**  
Department of Choral Music



**WE CAN**  
*dream*

**Fall Choir Concert**

Under the Direction of Victoria Graves & Nephi Sanchez  
Accompanied by Jaqueline Guevara

Wednesday, October 19, 2022  
6:00 PM in the VMS Gymnasium

# Upcoming Dates

Subscribe to the Vela Choir to receive reminders!

Remind: @v-choir22 | Instagram @bisd\_vmschoir

## Sweet & Savory Brochure Sales

Orders Due: October 25

Money will be collected when the items come in.

Orders can be paid for with cash or check.  
Checks should be written to "Vela MS Choir."

## "Hansel & Gretel" 6th grade Opera Trip

Friday, October 21: 8:45 AM - 10:30 AM

Students must bring \$5 and a permission form to participate.

## Solo & Ensemble Contest

Saturday, October 22: 9 AM - 1PM

At the VMS Choir Room.

Students will be assigned a 15 minute competition time.

Attire: "Sunday Best" Semi-Formal

## All-City Choir

Saturday, October 29: 7 AM - 8PM

At the Lopez ECHS Auditorium.

We will meet at the VMS Choir Room, then travel together to Lopez ECHS.

**The Concert is at 6PM. FREE Admission.**

Attire for rehearsal: jeans, VMS Tshirt, and comfy shoes.

Attire for performance: formal uniforms.

# Choir Merch

2022-2023 Choir Spirit Items will be for sale before and after the concert.



\$5.00



\$18.25

LIMITED TSHIRT  
SIZES AVAILABLE

YOUTH:  
SMALL, MEDIUM, LARGE

ADULT:  
SMALL, MEDIUM, LARGE,  
X-LARGE, 2X-LARGE

Exact change  
is appreciated.

# Choir Members

## Encore

7/8th grade Varsity Mixed Choir

### Sopranos

Camacho, Sara 🏆  
Del Fierro, Camila ✦  
Lopez, Carolina ✦  
Palmenez, Lyla 🏆

### Altos

Espinoza, Alexa 🏆  
Galvan, Kaisy 🏆  
Mejia, Isabella ✦  
Ulloa, Damaris 🏆

### Tenors

Lizcano, Alexander ✦  
Mireles, Elias 🏆

### Basses

Carlin Salomon, Mario 🏆  
Gracia, Bryan 🏆  
Rodriguez, Josue 🏆

## A Cappella

7/8th grade JV Treble Choir

### Sopranos

Becerra, Ayelen  
Bernal, Arely  
Borboa, Alleyna 🏆  
Carlin Salomon, Aliah  
Cobarrubias, Khloe 🏆  
Dao Vo, Kayla  
Davila, Gabriela  
Garcia, Valeria  
Gonzalez, Victoria  
Reser, Sydney ✦  
Reyna, Elizabeth ✦  
Sanchez, Analia  
Soto, Arianna 🏆  
Zapata, Alondra

### Altos

Danugrao, Mikayla 🏆  
Esteban Garcia,  
Cristina ✦  
Gomez, Nelly 🏆  
Gonzalez, Vallery 🏆  
Guerrero, Destiny 🏆  
Martinez, Valerie 🏆  
Mireles, Elizabeth ✦  
Olukotun, Sophia  
Preito, Kendra 🏆  
Prieto, Stefany  
Sandoval, Priscilla  
Santiago, Shawnene 🏆  
Vasquez, Samantha

### Tenors

Camarillo, Jonathan  
De la Garza, Santiago  
Lopez, Ivan ✦  
Mares, Mauricio 🏆  
Puga, Andres

### Basses

Arroyo, Joel  
De Leon Saucedo, Pablo  
Pena, Dominick  
Sanchez, Sebastian  
Stucki, Samuel ✦  
🏆

## Da Capo

6th Grade Beginner's Choir

Barraza, Barbara  
Caballeros, Julian  
Cantu, Maximiliano  
Carlos, Jeremiah ✦  
Castillo, Adrian  
Ceballos, Hazeal ✦  
Chavez, Adelle  
Compean, Kevin  
Corona, Gabriel  
Cough, Isabella

De Leon, Santiago  
Estudillo, Xitlali  
Gardiner, Serenity  
Gonzalez, Josiah  
Hernandez, Benny ✦  
Hernandez, Joanne  
Hernandez, Montserrat  
Limon, Arianna  
Martinez, Aaron ✦

Martinez, Diego  
Martinez, Vincent  
Mireles, Esmeralda  
Montiel, Summer  
Nava, Jimena  
Pizana, Azaree  
Ramirez Santiago,  
Ruby  
Ramirez, Joe  
Rodriguez, Ashley

Roldan, Devin  
Roque, Diego  
Salazar, Julissa  
Sanchez, Anahy  
Sanchez, Estrella  
Soto, Cristian ✦  
Tapia, Jonathan  
Vasquez, Jaqueline  
Zermeno, Ana Lucia ✦

★ Choir Council Officer

✦ Section Leader

🏆 Competing in Solo & Ensemble  
on Saturday 10/22/22

🏆 Members of the All-City  
Choir on Saturday 10/28

# Special Thanks!

## **Brownsville ISD Administration**

Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Rene Gutierrez

Assistant Superintendent, Rose Longoria

## **BISD Department of Fine Arts Administration**

Fine Arts Director, Michael Garcia

Choral Lead Teacher, Melody Erikson

## **Hanna ECHS Cluster, Choir Department**

Hanna ECHS Head Choir Director, Ignacio Cruz

Hanna ECHS Assistant Choir Director, Karen Atkinson

Oliveira MS Head Choir Director, Leo Zamora

Oliveira MS Assistant Choir Director, Israel Hinojosa

BISD Accompanist, Jaqueline Guevara

## **Filemon B. Vela Middle School Administration**

Principal, Mandy Delgado

Assistant Principal, Patricia Barreda

Assistant Principal, Dr. Ana Rubalcaba

## **Filemon B. Vela Middle School Custodians**

## **Filemon B. Vela Middle School Security Officers**

**And a huge thank you to our  
WONDERFUL  
Vela Choir Parents and Families!!**

# Concert Etiquette

## Etiquete de concierto

We are teaching proper concert etiquette to our students, as outlined in the TEKS, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills. Good audience manners are based upon respect for the performers and for others in the audience and are nothing more than expressions of courtesy. As such, we ask that students and audience members observe the following rules:

*Estamos enseñando la etiqueta de concierto adecuada a nuestros estudiantes, como se describe en TEKS, Conocimientos y habilidades esenciales de Texas. Los buenos modales de la audiencia se basan en el respeto por los artistas intérpretes o ejecutantes y por los demás en la audiencia y no son más que expresiones de cortesía. Como tal, pedimos que los estudiantes y los miembros de la audiencia observen las siguientes reglas:*

- **Turn off all noise-making devices.** *Favor de apagan sus aparatos electrónicos.*
- **Remain seated and quiet during a performance.** *Permanecer sentado y en silencio durante el concierto.*
- **Wait for the conductor to lower their hands to applaud.** *Esperara que el conductor del concierto baje las manos para aplaudir.*
- **If you must get up to leave, please do so in-between performances.** *Si debe que levantarse para irse, hágalo entre medio de las canciones.*
- **Remove small children immediately from the concert hall if they become restless or disruptive.** *Si los niños pequeños se ponen inquietos, favor de retirarlos de la sala de conciertos para no interrumpir el concierto.*
- **All students must stay for the entire concert, even after they have already sung.** *Todos los estudiantes deben permanecer durante todo el concierto, incluso después de ya haber cantado.*

# Program

## Da Capo

6th Grade Beginner's Choir

- Tongo Arranged for choir by Greg Gilpin  
*Polynesian Folk Song, dating back to the late 1800s*
- Whisper! Words and Music by Greg Gilpin
- Earworm Words and Music by Mark Burrows

## A Cappella

7/8th grade JV Treble Choir

- Ah, Poor Bird Arranged for choir by Greg Gilpin  
*Traditional Israeli melody turned English canon from the 1600s*
- Whisper! Words and Music by Andy Beck
- Earworm Words and Music by Mark Burrows

## Bel Canto

7/8th grade JV Tenor-Bass Choir

- What Do We Plant? Arranged for choir by Linda Spevacek-Avery  
*Based on a poem by Henry Abbey (1842-1911)*
- Merrily, Merrily Greet the Morn Arranged for Choir by Emily Crocker  
*English folk song published in 1917*
- Fillimiooriay Arranged for Choir by Stuart P. O'Neil  
*Irish-American work song from the 1800s*

# Program

## Encore

7/8th grade Varsity Mixed Choir

- Song of the River Arranged for choir by Greg Gilpin  
*Based on the Irish folk song "Salley Gardens" from 1889*
- Jubilate Deo! Words and Music by Greg Gilpin  
*Based on Latin text from the Catholic Mass*

## Eagle Choir

6-8th grade Combined Vela MS Choirs

Words and Music by PinkZebra



What would happen if we try?  
Could we spread our wings...  
And learn to fly?

**Thank you for your attendance at tonight's concert!**  
*¡Gracias por su asistencia al concierto de esta noche!*

Our students should stay for a few minutes  
and help break down the stage equipment.

*Nuestros estudiantes deben quedarse unos minutos  
y ayudar a desarmar el equipo del escenario.*

Risers, sound shells, microphones, and speakers should all be  
properly folded/rolled and taken back to the Choir Room.  
Chairs should be folded and stacked by the the back wall of the gym.

*Los elevadores, las carcasas de sonido, los micrófonos y los parlantes deben  
plegarse/enrollarse correctamente y devolverse a la Sala del coro.  
Las sillas deben plegarse y apilarse junto a la pared trasera del gimnasio.*