

2025-2026 MICDS UPPER SCHOOL CHOIRS

*Senior +STL Metro District Choir
! 2026 Missouri All-State Choir ^Missouri All-State Choir Honorable Mention

Rayna Ahmad
William Akin
Leela Anadkat
Reina Banerjee+!
Thomson Butler
Harper Clark*
Nico Cox-Garleanu
Ashini Craig
Hayden Dembiec
Milton Duckworth+
Harry Elfenbein
Ezra Ewald+^
Felipe Ferreira+
Timo Finnegan
Andrew Ford*+
Marjesta Ford
Bella Froedige
Soham Gadi
Simone Glasser
Mila Gomez
Heidi Haberstroh
Reid Haffenreffer
Caroline Hentschell

Michal Kenigsberg
Susannah Klimek
Eleanor Kline
Kaelynne Kovac
Cyrus Kummer+
Valeria Landrum
Veronika Landrum
Kendall Lay
Gus Lochhead
Noah Malik
Abby Masiel
Kate McNeill-Estes
Noah Menneke
Kennan Miller
Drew Mills
Dawon Moore
Ruby Morris
Emma Oesch
Lillian Ott
Caleb Otten
Shaan Patel*
Zion Perry
Jeremiah Phillips

Lincoln Pickett
Amber Reynolds
Nora Reynolds
Jen Salazar Estrada
Abby Selner
Maggie Sharp
Shreeya Shelar
Katherine Speckhals
Ray Spencer*
Madeline Suffian
Piper Summers
Sireen Tanoli
London Troupe
Graham Uetrecht
Georgiana Von Kloha
Lucas Walker
Abby Walsh
Jeremy Wang+
Akira Washington*
Ford Werner+
Caitlin Wyckoff
Trey Wyckoff
Jessie Zhang

THE MICDS UPPER SCHOOL CHOIRS PRESENT



FEATURED SOLOIST AUDITION COMMITTEE

Ray Spencer '26, Michal Kenigsberg '27, Jeremy Wang '28, Zion Perry '29, Grant LaMartina '25

SPECIAL THANKS

MICDS Facilities, Maintenance, Housekeeping & Security Departments

MICDS Marketing & Communications Office

MICDS Seldom Scene Crew

Timothy Henderson, Patrick Huber, Matt Kerns

Dr. Bonnie Carpenter, JK-12 Fine Arts Department Chair

MICDS Music Faculty: Bernard Berry, Ethan Forte, Ken Kulosa, Erin Hamill, Dr. Katy Nichols, Jason Roberts, Eric Taylor

The MICDS Theater Department presents

Little Women

based on the novel by Louisa May Alcott & adapted for the stage by Kate Hamill

Friday & Saturday, May 1 & 2, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. | Sunday, May 3, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.

Vincent Price Theater | Upper School Campus

Tickets are free, *but reservations are required* at micds.org/arts

THURSDAY, APRIL 23 & FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 2026

7:00 P.M. | ORTHWEIN THEATER

PROGRAM

GHOSTBUSTERS (Ray Parker, Jr.)

Tenor-Bass Choir | Noah Menneke '27 & Caleb Otten '27, Choreographers

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE (Sabrina Carpenter)

Treble Choir | Emma Oesch '29, Soloist
Nora Reynolds '28 & Madeline Suffian '28, Choreographers

WE BUILT THIS CITY (Starship)

Chamber Choir | Reina Banerjee '27 & Ezra Ewald '27, Choreographers

-FEATURED SOLOIST-

Thursday: **LOVER GIRL** (Laufey) | Simone Glasser '29, Soloist
Friday: **TURNING TABLES** (Adele) | Harper Clark '26, Soloist

DRIVE (Ed Sheeran)

Tenor-Bass Choir | Lucas Walker '29 & William Akin '29, Soloists
Sireen Tanoli '28 Lillian Ott '28, Choreographers

YOU MAKE MY DREAMS (Hall & Oates)

Treble Choir | Simone Glasser '29 & Ruby Morris '29, Choreographers

HEY, SOUL SISTER (Train)

Chamber Choir
Kate McNeill-Estes, '27 Abby Sellner '28 & Abby Walsh '28, Choreographers

-FEATURED SOLOIST-

Thursday: **OSCAR WINNING TEARS** (Raye) | Shreeya Shelar '28, Soloist
Friday: **OPPORTUNITY** (from *Annie*) | Akira Washington '26, Soloist

LIFE IS A HIGHWAY (Rascal Flatts)

Tenor-Bass Choir | Caleb Otten '27 & Trey Wyckoff '29, Soloist

DIE WITH A SMILE (Lady Gaga & Bruno Mars)
Treble Choir | Piper Summers '28, Soloist
Simone Glasser '29 & Ruby Morris '29, Choreographers

AFRICA (Toto)

Chamber Choir | AndrewFord '26, Choreographer

OLD TIME ROCK AND ROLL (Bob Seger)

Tenor-Bass Choir | Soham Ghadi '29, Soloist
Simone Glasser '29, Choreographer

-FEATURED SOLOIST-

SET FIRE TO THE RAIN (Adele)

Reina Banerjee '27 & Ezra Ewald '27, Soloists

I WILL SURVIVE (Gloria Gaynor)

Treble Choir | Jen Salazar Estrada '29 & Simone Glasser '29, Soloists
Nora Reynolds '28 & Madeline Suffian '28, Choreographers

APT. (Rosé & Bruno Mars)

Chamber Choir | Harper Clark '26, Choreographer

CHAPEL OF LOVE (Dixie Cups) & **GET ME TO THE CHURCH ON TIME** (from *My Fair Lady*)

Combined Choirs
Choreography by Akira Washington '26, Morgan Macam '26,
Ben Iken '24 & Grant LaMartina '25

A TRIBUTE TO QUEEN (Queen)

Chamber Choir | Akira Washington '26, Choreographer

-THE SPRING POPS BAND-

Dana Self, Director/Piano | Ron Roskowske, Guitar
Ben Wheeler, Bass | Joe Pastor, Drums

Meet the Seniors



Harper Clark

Classes: 4 years in Upper School Choir (Treble Choir & Chamber Choir), 2 years in Middle School Choir

What are you planning to study in college? I plan to pursue a BFA in dance.

What is a favorite memory from Upper School Choir? One of my favorite memories is talking to DSelf for hours and hours about his cats and about what my sister is up to. Another memory is having the opportunity to sing a duet with Akira at the Winter Masterworks Concert for *Let It Snow! Let It Snow! Let It Snow!*

What life lessons have you learned in choir that you will carry with you for years to come? I have learned the importance of confidence and how to display confidence in every room I walk into. I have learned the importance of community and collaborating with others. I have also learned the essential building blocks for performers: sight-singing, balance and blend to create a unified ensemble.

Any final words you would like to share? DSelf, you are the most amazing and thoughtful teacher, and I have learned so much from you. I have enjoyed this class these past four years, and I can't believe it is coming to an end. Your classes have helped me grow as a singer, a performer, and as a person. Entering your classroom brings a smile to all and creates joy through music. You encourage student participation in constructing our winter and spring concerts. You respect the students and make us feel valuable. Thank you for changing my life for the better and I will truly miss singing under your direction. To my sister Zoe, thank you for inspiring me as a young artist. I have always looked up to you in dance, music, and theater. Akira, it has been an honor to sing and dance with you and to share the choir experience with you. I will always cherish the memories we made in choir.

Andrew Fard



Classes: 4 years in Upper School Choir (Tenor-Bass Choir & Chamber Choir), 2 years in Middle School Choirs

What are your plans following graduation? I plan to attend DePauw University and play football.

What is a favorite memory from Upper School Choir? One of my favorite memories have been the end of year projects that we do at the conclusion of the Pops Concert. These projects were always fun and enjoyable. My favorite one was when we had to make the mini pops concert and perform a verse from a song along with organized choreography. This provided a fun way to close the year with your friends.

What life lessons have you learned in choir that you will carry with you for years to come? The work that you put in determines the overall outcome. This means that however much time you put into something shows whenever your final product is complete.

Any final words you would like to share? A huge thank to my parents and siblings for all the support though my high school experience. From the early mornings over the summer to the late nights throughout the school year you all have provided me so much help and I am beyond grateful. Secondly I would like to thank DSelf for being the best advisor I could ask for. Through the last four years you have always been there as a person I could talk to and someone that will advocate for me and support me in whatever I am doing. Finally to my peers - enjoy these moments now, because they don't last forever.



Ray Spencer

Classes: 4 years in Upper School Choir, 1 year in Middle School Choir

What are you following graduation? I plan to major in History/Political Science at DePauw University.

What is a favorite memory from Upper School Choir? My favorite memory has to be last year's Spring Pops Concert. The energy was off the charts and we were having tons of fun with our whacky dance moves.

What life lessons have you learned in choir that you will carry with you for years to come? Choir has taught me to be more confident in myself.

Any final words you would like to share? Thank you, DSelf, for an awesome 4 years!



Shaan Patel

Classes: 3 years in Upper School Choir, 2 years in Middle School Choir

What are you following graduation? I plan to attend Indiana University.

What is a favorite memory from Upper School Choir? My favorite memory was our final project where we had to make a musical incorporating the lyrics of a song of our choice with a goofy story. It was a nice breath of fresh air during finals week. It makes me smile just thinking about it.

What life lessons have you learned in choir that you will carry with you for years to come? I learned although choreography seems challenging, at the end of the day the performance really shows the hard work you put in. I think that can be applied to anything in life. The work that you put in always shows even if you think it **doesn't**.

Any final words you would like to share? I would like to shoutout my parents for helping me with school when work starts to get tough. I would also like to thank D.Self for always being there for me and to supporting any way possible.

Akira Washington



Classes: 3 years in Upper School Choir, 2 years in Middle School Choir, AP Music Theory

What are your plans following graduation? I plan to attend Hampton University and major in Business Administration with a minor in Political Science.

What is a favorite memory from Upper School Choir? My favorite memory is choreographing and performing 'Chapel of Love'. Getting to teach the one song that boys choir and girls choir did together it was so exciting and I knew I had to do it right. Teaching it was fun, but actually getting on that stage and making the vision come to life was so beautiful. It was truly a work of art. Choreographing a dance and seeing my work on stage always creates a great memory.

What life lessons have you learned in choir that you will carry with you for years to come? I will always try to "be safe and make wise choices" and not do anything that we can't talk about with on Monday. D. Self says this every last class of the week and I don't think I'll ever forget it. It is something I will carry with me my entire life. I will hear these words play in my head before every college adventure.

Any final words you would like to share? I could've stopped choir a long time ago, but both J Rob and D Self made the class feel like home. People are always asking me why I stay in Choir, and while I love singing, they always made it easy to love by simply nourishing my passion. Thank you guys so much.