

Day 1 – August 1<sup>st</sup>

**8:00-8:30 Check-In**

- Name tags
- Sami collecting money
- Abby signing people in
- Me giving them their t-shirt and name tag
- “Welcome to council”

**8:30-9:00 Welcome**

- Welcome to council
- Pops Theme
- Meet everyone: Team by Team, Name, Choir, One interesting fact about you

**8:45-9:30 Icebreakers**

- Mingle mingle mingle
  - Name and choir and position on council
  - Skate, Skip, Lunge, Walking on the Moon, Tip toe, ballerina
  - What you did over summer
  - Bring three things to an island
  - Meet one famous person
  - Why you joined choir
  - Why you joined council
  - Favorite cereal
- Lines and blobs
  - A twist of introducing yourself every time you talk to somebody
  - Line up in alphabetical order by first names
  - Line up in alphabetical order by last names
  - Line up in order of birthdays
  - Blobs of the same favorite season as you
  - Blobs of the same eye color
  - Blobs of the same favorite color
- Speed Date
  - Cocentric Circles
  - Partner Up
  - Have 30 seconds to introduce and talk about what music means to you or an interesting fact about you or about your life then SWITCH

**9:45-10:30 Mission Statement**

- Being a leader
  - Being a role model and leader in the class
  - Easy to be on the bandwagon, not the one pulling it
  - Reasons you may be scared to be a leader: scared to fail. A lot of responsibility. Higher expectations. Afraid of coming off the wrong way to your peers. Confrontation is necessary sometimes even though you don't want to be that person.
  - It's not about you anymore. Being a leader is doing things for the good of the community.
  - Don't be afraid to make mistakes. You are human!

- People notice you! You are in the spotlight.
- One of the biggest fears is that you might be separated from your friends
- To be a great leader you have to have a vision. “What would be the most perfect choir class?” Embody that vision!
- We are a family ☺ Encore was really tight knit because they trusted and relied on each other.
- People will look to you. Embody what you want the choir to be!
- Communication is key!
- Knowing when to lead and when to step back
- Embodying positivity and inclusivity and whatever you want the choir program to be
- Be a leader not for yourself but for others. If you are having a bad day, you should pull together because people count on you.
- Responsibility!
- Never think “good enough”
- Take initiative! Don’t leave your responsibilities for others
- So many kinds of leaders
- Have integrity!
- Why do we do council
  - Be a family
  - Goal is to run things efficiently and smoothly
  - Inclusive
  - It starts here! Get to know each other now.
  - Be respectful to teaches and peers and parents
  - You can still lead without feeling higher or lower
  - Allow other people to be leaders too
  - All opinions matter
  - A lot of different opinions. Open to change and others ideas. Leaders are human too. You may not like all opinions but staying positive will help
  - Knowing when to step back
  - Smile and be inclusive to everyone
- Why do we do retreat
  - Good to talk to all members of councils
  - Get stuff done
  - Builds pathway of communication
  - If we don’t know each other how can we get to know our choir members
  - Build trust with leaders
  - Go into the school year with support system
  - We are the foundation so make it strong!
- Things to keep in mind throughout the year
- What I envision for the year
  - Meetings with food
  - Monday announcements
  - Club check in
  - Letter points redone
  - Being responsible and held accountable

- Written contract

### **10:30-11:15 Meet with Council Branch**

- Info dump: facebook, remind, calendar, gmails
- Introduce everyone
- Add contact information and make groupchats!
- Open gmail and go through how to
- Talk about goals, what's expected, how you guys can start on your work asap
- Plan walls and also brain storm quotes for the year (get inspo from previous walls)
  - Presidents student of the month spraypaint, background of bricks with captain america
  - VPs stone wall, boombox, cassette tapes
  - Treasurers bank of America, teller
  - Librarians cowboy theme, Denim, the barn
  - Uniform. White background, club positions numbers, uniform touch
  - Historians, fireworks with picture. We want you to submit photos. American flag with pics
  - Spirit statue of spirit
  - Event: redo calendar! Section for fliers and posters for events. Graffiti vibe nyc subway
  - Media doing white poster with actual spraypaint. Contact info
- Sit with your group and stay on task!

### **11:15-12:30 Start Prepping the Room**

- Vote on quote of the year "America is a tune, it must be sung together"
- Tear down the room
- Start decorating

### **12:30-1:00 Lunch – Pizza, Salad, Veggie and Fruit**

### **1:00-1:30 Ceci Spirit Store**

### **1:30-3:00 Decorate Room**

- Make it neat and not thrown together
- Think it out and make it useful!
- Last 15 min for clean up!

### **3:00-4:00 Meet with Karaoke Groups**

- make a time limit of like 2:30 seconds
- doesn't have to be the whole song.
- try and make it a Group song (so try and not to pick duets where some people might feel left out)
- make everyone feel equal
- winner gets a little prize
- must be an appropriate song with PG words (ill come around and check)
- go all out with costumes and funny choreography, people get really into it
- Kiss of Death, Country Bois, Guns and Roses, White Chicks, Whitney, Hollaback Girls!

### **4:00-4:30 Game**

- Led by Jackie and Brooke

4:30-5:30 Rehearse with Karaoke Groups

5:30-6:00 Scavenger Hunt

6:00-6:30 Dinner – Rigatonis

6:30-7:30 Sardines

7:30-8:00 Wrap Up

- What we did today
- What's planned for tomorrow
- Affirmations

## Day 2

8:00-8:30 Welcome Back

8:30-9:00 Game

- Ceci and Tia

9:00-10:00 Guest Speakers

- Nikhila and Taylor
- Hey guys sorry for late notice!
- so yeah! 9:00-9:30 or whenever. Just want you guys to talk about:
- - why you joined council
- - what kinds of things you accomplished on council
- - what kinds of things you learned from council and how you applied those in the real world
- - advice to new council members
- - advice to all council members about how to make this year stay positive and productive
- Talk about ur old positions and how they led to one another.m q
- Were here for the same reason is that we love music

10:00-11:30 Meet with Karaoke Group

- Finalize everything
- Get costumes and props ready

11:30-12:00 Lunch Subway

12:00-1:00 LipSync Performances

1:00-4:00 Deco

4:00-4:40 Games!

4:30-5:00 Summary of the Weekend

- People you met
- Things you want to accomplish throughout the year
- Things you took away from this weekend
- Affirmations

Dinner (photobooth!)