



THRIVE Education – based in HRM – offers faith-inspired, life-transforming programming to preteen children from all walks of life. Through loving personalized attention, high expectations that inspire greatness and magical outside-the-box experiences, THRIVE empowers young people to come fully alive to their own rich God-given potential and encourages them, by example, to seek a relationship with Jesus Christ as the ultimate source of a THRIVING life.



THRIVE Children's Choir Winter & Spring 2020

THRIVE Children's Choir equips young girls to use their God-given singing talent as leaders of encouragement in their community.

Who is the Choir for, and how can my daughter join?

Auditions are open to girls in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9 living in the HRM area. See simple Audition Process below.

When and where are practices held?

Practices will be held on Saturday mornings from 10:00-12:00 beginning January 11, 2020 and ending June 13, 2020 at Halifax Christian Academy at 114 Downs Avenue, in the Fairmount area of Halifax.

When and how do the girls practice their songs?

Members will be given access to mp3 practice tracks and lyric sheets for all songs being performed that season. When we meet for weekly practice, girls are expected to know the material and their assigned parts.

Where do you perform?

Community special events, churches, seniors' homes, etc.

Members have opportunities to shine as soloists, and also receive some basic public speaking training and experience. The Choir is also producing, in partnership with 97.5 CIOE-FM, its first full-length CD and music videos to be released in 2020.

Do you sing religious music?

THRIVE Children's Choir sings a mixture of Christian music and secular "inspirational" music. We are a faith-centred musical family that enthusiastically welcomes children from all denominations and walks of life.

What are the financial commitments for Winter & Spring 2020?

Registration Fee: \$100 (due on December 1, 2019)

Tuition: \$60/month for 6 months (due on the 1st of each month, from January 2020 through June 2020)
E-transfers, cash and cheques accepted.

About the Director

Wendy Birt, born and raised in HRM, is the Creator of THRIVE Education and THRIVE Children's Choir.

A certified elementary school teacher and lifelong vocal soloist and public speaker, Wendy has over 12 years of experience forming and directing unique youth chorale groups who have received special invitations to sing before the Lieutenant Governor and other dignitaries at Government House and at high profile community events like the Mental Health Foundation's Festival of Trees luncheon. THRIVE Children's Choir is Wendy's latest and biggest musical creation, and is loosely inspired by the music and culture of One Voice Children's Choir of Utah (www.onevoicechildrenschoir.com).



Audition Process *Now Open for January 2020*

The THRIVE Children's Choir audition process consists of two simple steps:

(1) **An online video audition**, submitted via private message on the THRIVE Children's Choir Facebook page.

In her video audition, your daughter should sing ONE song, completely a cappella (her voice only, without instrumental accompaniment).

(2) **A live audition**, by invitation, if video audition is successful.

In her live audition, your daughter should be prepared to sing TWO songs, completely a cappella.

Girls interested in joining the Choir do not have to be star soloists.

In general, we look for strong pitch (singing the correct notes), a pleasant tone, as well as good rhythm and enunciation.

Questions about THRIVE Children's Choir?

Contact Wendy at 902-223-9023 or wendy@thriveeducation.ca