

## Voices of Development


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When others think about music, they might be thinking of their favorite songs, a thing that makes them happy, and much more. However, music gave me a feeling of ease and a sense of home. Chorale is vital to my personal growth and improvement as a person. Since the beginning, the entire family has been my source of support.

I will always be thankful that I was given a chance to lead and guide along the shared journey of our family. As the expressive strength of music merges with someone's interpretation of the lyrics and melody, profound feelings are aroused. Just like how the thin page of a book flips, my heart feels like jumping softly whenever.

Four months ago, they trusted me with this role. To my full knowledge, I know that this comes with great and big responsibilities. I was placed in a position not only to provide and share important and adequate information but marking as one of the eldest, it has also instilled in me the responsibility of setting a positive example for my team.

Regardless of how long or short it has been since I joined Chorale 1 as my first organization and was lucky enough to be chosen and trusted as their team representative this year, it has always left me in a state of awe. I was able to express myself better and connect profoundly with the lyrics, notes, melodies, sounding harmonies, and knowledge of many viewpoints because of the emotional growth that chorus fosters. The nature that we have in Chorale



that affects how we build our relationship as a whole made me a better and an improving individual.

I've constantly been glad of my ability to lead, and I'll always seize the chance to develop and advance in this domain. All I have ever been thinking about since day one is that I want my team to remember me as a big sister and an effective and efficient leader. I found home with Chorale 1. However, it's not always about affection. Being able to guide them taught me how to make decisions that are appropriate while being fair. I improved my communication skills, became more receptive to feedback and ideas, and gained the ability to face my fears in order to grow as a person. I was able to make the unknown, known to me.