MSVMA High School Honors Choir

2017-2018

There are three different levels to the Honors Choir Program. Students can choose to stop in the process at any time.

1. Regional Honors Choir (December 2, 2017 – WMU in Kalamazoo)
2. State Honors Choir (January 25-27, 2018 – Grand Rapids)
3. All-State Choir (May 10-12, 2018 – WMU in Kalamazoo)

Each choir becomes more elite and more difficult to be chosen for. The audition process is as follows:

* Decide to audition for Regional Honors Choir. Students learn their part on a piece of music (“Exsulatate Justi” Viadana ). You MAY use music for the audition. **Audition registration form due September 15. Registration fee = $25.00.**
* Auditions will be videotaped in the classroom on Tuesday, Sept. 26. Students will sign up for a 10-minute taping time with Mrs. Petersen. Recordings will then be downloaded to the MSVMA to be judged.
* Mrs. Petersen will be notified in mid-October if any Grand Ledge singers are invited into Regional Honors Choir. Singers that are chosen for Regional HC will learn three more pieces. (one SATB and two SSAA/TTBB)
* On **December 2** singers will go to Regional Honors Choir at Western MI University. This is a day of rehearsal with all the other singers chosen for the choir and an outstanding Michigan choir director. During the day each singer is pulled out of rehearsal to audition on the three new pieces for State Honors Choir AND sight-read. Sight-reading will be Intermediate level. **Memorization of new pieces is a very important factor in the audition process!** In the late afternoon the choir will give a short performance. After the performance the results of the auditions are posted, so students will know immediately if they are chosen for State Honors Choir.

**Regional Honors Choir fee = $40.00.**

* At State Honors Choir students will be placed into one of three choirs: SSAA, TTBB or SATB. The date is **Jan. 25-27, 2018.** Depending on the choir, students will learn 3-4 more pieces for State Honors Choir, held at the DeVos Auditorium/Amway Grand Hotel in Grand Rapids. Singers will spend Thursday and Friday night in an area hotel. **State Honors Choir fee = $100.00.** Performance on Saturday, Jan. 27, 2018, 3:00pm.
* The students that score the highest on their State Honors Choir auditions will be invited to participate in the **All-State Choir, May 10-12, 2018.** Students will stay at Western MI University in dorms during the weekend.

**Regional Honors Choir Audition Form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Voice Part auditioning for (S1, S2, A1, A2, T1, T2, B1, B2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(You will be required to stay with this voice part in all choirs you are chosen to participate in! You may NOT change voice parts between Regional and State Honors Choir)

I understand that I am expected to have “Exsultate Justi ”, by Viadana, memorized by the audition date, September 26, 2017.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I understand that once the Audition fee of $25 is paid, it is non-refundable.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Fee: $25.00. Checks made out to Grand Ledge High School**