

TMEA REGION 23 ALL-REGION ENTRY PROCESS INFORMATION PACKET HSPVA VOCAL DEPARTMENT

Dear Vocalists,

Congratulations on making the personal choice of auditioning for the TMEA Region and Texas All-State Choirs! This is a wonderful process for personal vocal growth and can be a very rewarding accomplishment.

I. Dates

To enter the **Region Choir audition process**, your calendar must be clear on the following mandatory dates:

- District Audition
 - Saturday, September 22 @ Morton Ranch HS
- Region Audition
 - Saturday, October 20 @ Cinco Ranch High School
- Region Clinic and Concert
 - Friday evening and Saturday, November 9-10 @ Westside HS and Westbury Baptist Church

Please take careful note that if you are selected to either the Region Mixed Choir or the Region Treble Choir, you are expected to participate. Your electronic signature on the entry form guarantees that you agree to this commitment.

To continue in the **All-State audition process**, your calendar must be clear on these additional dates:

- Pre-Area: Thursday, November 29 @ Alief Taylor HS
- Area Audition: Saturday, January 12 @ Ridgepoint HS
- TMEA: February 13-16

II. Entry Process and Application: <https://tinyurl.com/yd3a2cy2>

Deadline: Tuesday, September 4

- Use the link above to enter (on a Google form). Parents **MUST** also read the information provided and e-sign that they understand the entry process and obligations.
- **Fees**
 - \$20 CASH entry fee due **Tuesday, September 11.**
 - \$20 Region Choir fee (paid by the Vocal Department)

III. Transportation

Auditions:

- Students are required to ride the school bus from HSPVA to each audition site unless they live *within 10 miles* of the audition site.
- Students will receive further details and a parent permission blank before each audition/event.

Region Clinic and Concert:

Friday, November 9:

- Students will travel via school bus to and from Westside HS
- Parent pick-up at HSPVA following the Friday night rehearsal

Saturday, November 10:

- Parent transportation to Westbury Baptist Church in the morning
- Parents attend the concert and take students home from the church

IV. Parent Volunteers

- Please volunteer to chaperone one or more of the four auditions – do this on the Google Entry Form.
- Parents need to register **immediately** as a VIPS at www.hisd.org
- Once they are registered, parents need to see Ms. Norman in the office so that she can handle the driver's license portion of the application process.

V. Music for the District audition:

Women:

Der 23. Psalm: **Gott ist mein Hirt**, Schubert
Misericordias Domini, Mozart
I will lift mine eyes, Runestad

Men:

O Sacrum Convivium, Viadana
Misericordias Domini, Mozart
I will lift mine eyes, Runestad

VI. Rehearsing for the auditions:

- Use the drop box link to access the voice parts and the accompaniment that has been sent to your Charms e-mail.**OR**
- Bring two blank CDs and get rehearsal CDs from the vocal faculty.

Rehearsal Schedule: Attend as many after school rehearsals as you need to prepare adequately. Not all are required – communicate with the vocal faculty regarding after-school responsibilities. Having attended a choir camp this summer does not mean that you are ready to compete. The first audition is very soon!

SOPRANOS AND ALTOS

| AUGUST | Times | Special details |
|---------------------|--------------|--|
| Tuesday, 28 | | Required for students who did NOT attend camp; optional for those who did |
| Wednesday, 29 | | Required for students who did NOT attend camp; optional for those who did |
| Thursday, 30 | 4:00 - 5:30 | |
| SEPTEMBER | | |
| Tuesday, 4 | 4:00 - 5:30 | |
| Thursday, 6 | 4:00 - 5:30 | |
| Tuesday, 11 | 4:00 - 5:30 | \$20 ENTRY FEE IS DUE – CASH ONLY |
| Wednesday, 12 | 4:00 - 5:30 | |
| Monday, 17 | 4:00 - 5:30 | |
| Saturday, 15 | 11:00 – 2:00 | OPTIONAL Rehearsal: sign up for a ONE HOUR slot |
| Wednesday, 19 | 4:00 - 5:30 | |
| Thursday, 20 | 4:00 - 6:00 | REQUIRED REHEARSAL; if you are in Chicago, Ms. Bonner will ask if you can come from 5:15 -6:00 for your final sing-through, instructions, and good luck circle |
| Friday, 21 | NO REHEARSAL | |

TENORS AND BASSES

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| Friday, 31 | 4:00 - 5:30 | |
| SEPTEMBER | | |
| Tuesday, 4 | 4:00 - 5:30 | |
| Wednesday, 5 | 4:00 - 5:30 | |
| Friday, 7 | 4:00 - 5:30 | |
| Tuesday, 11 | 4:00 - 5:30 | \$20 ENTRY FEE IS DUE – CASH ONLY |
| Thursday, 13 | 4:00 - 5:30 | |
| Saturday, 15 | 11:00 – 2:00 | OPTIONAL Rehearsal: sign up for a ONE HOUR slot |
| Monday, 17 | | |
| Tuesday, 18 | 4:00 - 5:30 | |
| Thursday, 20 | 4:00 - 6:00 | REQUIRED REHEARSAL; if you are in Chicago, Ms. Bonner will ask if you can come from 5:15 -6:00 for your final sing-through, instructions, and good luck circle |
| Friday, 21 | NO REHEARSAL | |

Final Words of Wisdom...

Bring your All-State music to school every day. You never know when you might get a chance to practice it in class. Be sure to practice diligently at home, in addition to after school rehearsals. Number your measures and bring a pencil with you to all rehearsals.

Highlighting Tape is available on Amazon. It comes in many colors and is **removable!** It's a GREAT way to mark music.

Good Luck in your preparations –
Ms. Bonner, Ms. Hall, and Mr. Carter