

Revisions to VMEA Honor's Choir Audition Procedure

Based on comments received from teachers, students, and judges, we are making the following changes to the audition procedure:

- * WEBSITE: vmea.com - Click Honor's Choir Link on Left Hand Side Margin
- *AUDITION DATE: October 2, 2010 at Longwood University, Farmville, VA
- *ONLINE Registration Deadline: Wednesday, September 15 at 4pm!
- *PAPER Registration and Fee POSTMARK Deadline is Friday, September 17!
- *Audition Piece: "If Music Be the Food of Love" by Henry Purcell

Schools will be assigned warm-up blocks and rooms. Auditioning students will be called from the auditorium for their audition.

Score sheets are in the process of being revised into more specific rubrics. We will use the revised VMEA/VCDA Choral Festival Adjudication Form as a guideline. Sight Reading will still count as 20% of the score.

Students will perform Sight-Reading Audition first, and then move to Art Song Audition Room. One Adjudicator will judge Sight Reading and two adjudicators will judge Art Song.

Students will have 30 seconds to look over the sight-reading example before performing.

Sight Reading key signatures will NOT be announced. Key signatures can have up to 3 sharps or flats. Key of C will not be used.

It is our goal to create an audition experience that moves efficiently, challenges students, prepares them for college auditions, and is consistent with the Artist Level SOLs in Vocal Music from the Virginia Department of Education. All paperwork, score sheets, and sight reading examples will be uploaded on the Honor's Choir website within the next 3 weeks. Please visit vmea.com and click the Honor's Choir Link on the left hand side of the page to connect to the Honor's Choir page.