MMEA ALL-STATE ELEMENTARY HONOR CHOIR
2019-2020 Information Packet
Celia House, Elem HC Chair
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New Albany, MS  38652
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  662-316-1520

Requirements
- NAFME membership card or confirmation of renewal is required with audition registration.
- Video/Photo Release is required for each auditioning student. This release must be signed by parent.
- $12.00 audition fee per student

Who may audition?
Any student in fifth or sixth grade taught by MMEA members in good standing.
Students who are in foster care, MAY NOT be photographed or videoed by state law or have their name printed in a program. Unfortunately, foster care children cannot participate in this choir without a release, and the state of MS will not authorize an exception for this. Please choose your representative students accordingly.

How many may audition?
  1. Number of students is based per teacher NOT per school.
  2. If the combined enrollment of your school's fifth and/or sixth grades equals 300 or less, you may audition 5 students.
  3. If the combined enrollment of your school's fifth and/or sixth grade equals 301 or more, you can audition 3% of that number. ALWAYS round DOWN and provide documentation on school letterhead, signed by a principal. Include this WITH your mailed audition registration.

Where and when are auditions?

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<td>Audition Location</td>
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<td>Hernando UMC</td>
<td>St. Anthony Catholic School</td>
<td>Singing River Academy</td>
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<td>1890 Mount Pleasant Road</td>
<td>1585 Old Mannsdale Road</td>
<td>4601 Gautier-Vancleave Rd</td>
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What do the students sing?

1. Path to the Moon - Eric Thiman - Boosey and Hawkes - JW Pepper 1511864 - 24 total points per judge
   Memorize first verse, sing with accompaniment at audition. Please work on accuracy of intervals and rhythms.

2. Happy Birthday - Starting on "D" - 3 points per judge - perfect score is singing completely in key, no embellishments. Please visit this URL address for original notation:
   https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Happy_Birthday_to_You

3. Tonal Memory - A two-measure melodic line played once on the piano. - 3 points per judge
   Student sings back on "lah". If students miss it, the judges will ask for the pattern to be re-played and student may try a second time. Patterns are selected by Honor Choir Chair and transmitted digitally to site chairs the afternoon before auditions.

What is the setting of the auditions?
Students will individually enter the audition room and give the judges his/her judging sheets. Students will sing for the panel of three judges.

- Students will be assigned a number at the audition site. This number will represent the student name, teacher name, and school.
- Teachers will not be allowed in the audition room any time.
- Teachers are not allowed to have contact with the judges at any time.

**Please adhere to audition schedule once released. Last minute changes the day of may not be honored.**
When is the audition information due?
Site chairs need your audition information **TWO WEEKS** prior to the audition date. Check your calendars. Mail your information to ensure your desired audition time slot.
Audition fee checks/money orders are to be made payable **ONLY** to **MMEA**. We cannot take cash.

After the Auditions:
1. The list of accepted students will be released by mid-November. All selected students are required to have a chaperone/parent to accompany them during the honor choir weekend and pay honor choir fees. Teachers will receive additional chaperone information prior to the conference.
2. Mail the teacher registration form and the $15.00 fee for the teacher music packet. This fee DOES NOT register you for conference. You must have your own copy of the honor choir music to be in compliance with national copyright laws.
3. Mail the student non-refundable participation fees by December 15th.
4. Send one check from your school. Make the check or money order payable to MMEA. **Personal checks will not be accepted.**
5. You MUST BE **PRE-REGISTERED** to attend the MMEA/ACDA conference for your student(s) to participate. Visit **www.msmea.org**
6. Make sure your form is complete with **heights in inches** for riser placement, t-shirt sizes and correctly spelled names. All lists will be generated with the spelling you submit on this form! It is strongly suggested that student t-shirts be ordered a size too big – the students grow!
7. Mail all other necessary forms and fees with the registration form. **Pay special attention to instructions on the different forms. Separate payment may be required.**
8. J. W. Pepper will mail the music in January to the address listed on your teacher registration form. Music will not be mailed to you until you have registered your students for honor choir.
9. Participation fees must be submitted in a timely manner. Late submissions could result in disqualification from the honor choir.
10. It is your responsibility to **teach the students their music.** Pay close to attention to **voicing assignments. Practice tracks will not be available due to copyright laws.**
11. Hotel accommodations will be available on the MMEA website under the 2020 conference tab. **www.msmea.org**
12. Honor Choir students will not be allowed to have a cell phones on their person during rehearsals.

What do students wear for the concert?
1. Students will wear choir t-shirt and SOLID BLACK from the waist down.
2. Girls and boys are to wear black pants. Black gauchos are acceptable as long as black hose/stockings are worn. Black skirts are allowed for religious reasons, be sure to have black hose/stockings as well.
3. **ONLY** solid black, closed-toe shoes please. **No heels.**
4. Teachers, be sure to stress this and/or personally approve attire BEFORE coming for Honor Choir weekend.
Photo/Video Release Form
AUTHORIZATION TO USE PHOTOGRAPHS AND/OR AUDIO-VISUAL

I, (parent's name)________________________________________________________________________, hereby authorize The MS Music Educators Association, MMEA, to use, reproduce, and/or publish photographs and/or video that may pertain to my child (child's name______________________________________) including his/her image, likeness and/or voice without compensation. I understand that this material may be used in various publications, public affairs releases, recruitment materials, broadcast public service advertising (PSAs) or for other related endeavors. This material may also appear on the MS Music Educators Association Internet Web Page. This authorization is continuous and may only be withdrawn by my (parent) specific rescission of this authorization. Consequently, MMEA may publish materials, use my child's name, photograph, and/or refer to my child in any manner that MMEA deems appropriate to promote/publicize service opportunities.

____________________________________
Signature of Parent

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Print Child's Name

____________________________________
Date

Music Teacher Name______________________________________________________________

School ____________________________________________________________________________

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Elementary Division
All State Honor Choir Auditions

Teacher Registration Form
Mail this form to your site chair

PLEASE PRINT

Director name___________________________________________________________

NAfME Number (required)__________________________________________________
Please include copy of your membership form or a copy of your confirmation of renewal.

Director Home Address___________________________________________________

City________________________________________ State_______Zip__________

E-Mail Address___________________________________________________________
We will use this address to send honor choir results and information. All teachers will receive the acceptance list.

School/Organization_____________________________________________________

Phone Number________________________Cell Number________________________

*Each MMEA member may audition 5 students. If your 5th and/or 6th grade enrollment exceeds 301 students, you are eligible to audition 3% of that enrollment. Please remember to round down. (9.50 to 9.99 is still 9.) You must attach a letter on official school letterhead from your principal/counselor verifying your 5th and/or 6th grade enrollment.

Number of Students to Audition_______ Verification of enrollment included_____ (if needed)

An accompaniment will be played over a sound system at each site. That recording will be made available to participating teachers only. It will not be on the MMEA website.

Preferred Audition Site (check one)-Any special scheduling requests (chairs not required to honor requests)
North _______
Central ____
South _______

• Audition fee is $12.00 per student. No cash accepted.
• Pay by SCHOOL check or money order.
• ALL CHECKS MUST BE PAYABLE TO: MMEA
• Deadline: Two weeks prior to audition date - CHECK YOUR CALENDARS

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Mississippi Music Educators Association  
Elementary Division  
All-State Honor Choir  
Student Audition Form  
Must have THREE forms per student

**Evaluation areas:**
Ratings: 0=Unacceptable/5=Outstanding

1) **Prepared Selection** (The Path to the Moon)  
   Accuracy of pitch, rhythm, and words (0-5) __________
   Vocal Quality (resonant, clear, natural) (0-5) __________
   Musicality (phrasing, breath control, expressiveness) (0-5) __________
   Diction (Correct vowels sounds, clear consonants) (0-5) __________
   Posture (poise, presence) (0-4) __________

2) **Pitch Accuracy** (Happy Birthday)  
   Accuracy of pitch, rhythm, and intervals (0-3) __________
   Begin and end in key

3) **Tonal Memory** (tonal pattern on “la”) (0-3) __________

**Total Score** __________

Judge’s Signature ____________________________________________________________
Mississippi Music Educators Association
Elementary Division
All-State Honor Choir
Student Information Form
One form per student

PLEASE PRINT

Student Number___________________ (number will be assigned at audition site)

Student Name________________________________________________________

Grade (circle one) 5  6

Director Name________________________________________________________

Director Address______________________________________________________

City_________________________ State_________ ZIP_______________________

School Name__________________________________________________________

Phone number #_____________________ e-mail ____________________________
### Student Elementary All State Honor Choir Registration

**Return this form no later than December 15, 2019 to:**

Celia House, Elem HC Chair  
1026 CR 363  
New Albany, MS 38652

- Participation fee of $65.00 for each student*
- Teacher Music Packet fee of $15.00 - does not register teachers for conference.  
  Please send one school or organization check, or money order, with your name attached.  
  Personal checks or cash will not be accepted. **Include copy of membership card.**

**Director’s Name**______________________________

**Director’s Home Address**______________________________________________

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**School Organization**____________________________________________________

**E-Mail**________________________________________**Phone #**__________________________

Incomplete forms will delay delivery of music.

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*If Adult XX-large is needed the fee is $67.00*

- Spelling of student names will be double checked against this document.
- Teachers must **pre-register** for the MMEA/ACDA Conference in order for your students to participate in honor choir.
- Participation fees must be submitted in a timely manner. Late submissions could result in disqualification from the honor choir.
**T-shirt Order Form for Teachers and Parents**

*All-state students automatically get a t-shirt*

- Must be mailed by December 15th with Honor Choir registration
- Can include in school check or send in separate money order.
- Please make sure money orders are filled out and signed.

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**Name__________________________**

**Honor Choir Student__________________________**

**Music Teacher__________________________**

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