

# 2018-2019 General Information for DIRECTORS

[www.msallstatechoir.org](http://www.msallstatechoir.org)

## Instructions for All State Choir:

All forms, policies, and information are available online at [www.msallstatechoir.org](http://www.msallstatechoir.org) under "Acceptance Information." Choir assignments and division information were emailed to directors with audition results. **Please read all instructions carefully.**

An event/rehearsal schedule is available on our website. Included in that schedule will be a directors' meeting for all participating directors on Friday morning, March 8<sup>th</sup>, from 9:45-10:15 am.

## **DO NOT SEND PAYMENTS TO CMEA**

Acceptance forms should be **emailed** to:

[msallstatechoir@gmail.com](mailto:msallstatechoir@gmail.com)

Payments should be paid online (preferred) with one payment through CMEA (see below), or mailed as one check **MADE OUT TO "CMEA"** from the school to

**COLORADO MIDDLE ALL STATE CHOIR**

**P.O. BOX 632052**

**Littleton, CO 80163-2052**

**Postmark Deadline: Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

## **DO NOT SEND PAYMENTS TO CMEA**

"Acceptance and Code of Conduct" forms must still be emailed to [msallstatechoir@gmail.com](mailto:msallstatechoir@gmail.com).

## **Students should receive each of the following forms:**

- Student Acceptance Instruction Sheet
- All State Acceptance and Code of Conduct Form
- T-Shirt Form

### **A. Forms and Fees:**

- Please duplicate "All State Acceptance and Code of Conduct" form for each student who will participate. Send one participation form for each student. **ALL FORMS MUST BE SUBMITTED THROUGH THE GOOGLE FORM ON OUR WEBSITE** no later than December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

The acceptance fee of \$40 per student should be paid at one time for all students, either online (preferred) at [www.cmeaonline.org](http://www.cmeaonline.org), or by **check payable to CMEA (one for all students)** to the PO Box above. **DO NOT SEND PAYMENTS TO CMEA!**

### **B. Eligibility:**

- Director signature and the signature of a school administrator must be on each student's acceptance/code of conduct form to signify eligibility. Parent and student signatures are required on this form.

### C. Repertoire and Rehearsal Tracks

- It is the director's responsibility to purchase the All State Choir Literature. **All students must bring their own original copies of the music to the festival.** All music is available and can be purchased in pre-assembled packets available from [www.JWPepper.com](http://www.JWPepper.com). Links to purchase the music packets are available under "Acceptance Information" on [www.msallstatechoir.org](http://www.msallstatechoir.org). **All music must be memorized.** The literature list for all 3 choirs can be found on the website.
- It is imperative that all participating students arrive on March 7<sup>th</sup> with all of their music learned. Rehearsal tracks will be posted on [www.msallstatechoir.com](http://www.msallstatechoir.com). Students are expected to practice their correct voice part using the rehearsal tracks, but it is the **director's responsibility** to ensure that each of their students come to All State Choir with their music prepared.
- Rehearsal tracks for all repertoire are available on the CMASC website under the "Rehearsal Tracks" tab.

### D. Hotel Information

- The Homewood Suites by Hilton AND The Hampton Inn and Suites in Denver are both providing discounted rooms for CMASC participants. The hotel is near both the Colorado Convention Center and the Embassy Suites where the High School All State students and directors stay. Reservation information is available online under "All State 2018-2019." Make your reservations early to guarantee availability.
- Students not staying overnight are still expected to be in attendance and ON TIME to all rehearsals on March 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. If your students are commuting, make sure you review the rehearsal schedule thoroughly and depart with enough time (taking downtown Denver traffic into account to get students to their rehearsals on time.)
- **CMASC does not book or pay for director or student accommodations. The school or the individual student is financially responsible for their own lodging.**

### E. Chaperone Policy

- The CMASC Governing Board requires 1 chaperone, 21 years of age or older, (in addition to the school's director) to be present for every 6 students attending All State. This frees up the director for other volunteer duties, including attending the directors' meeting, and means that at least two adults will be present for each school in the event of an emergency. There must be a director or chaperone on location at all times. The director must be available by cell phone at all times.

Examples:

3 students attending All State: Director + 1 adult chaperone

7 students attending All State: Director + 2 adult chaperones

15 students attending All State: Director + 3 adult chaperones

### G. Concert Attire

- For the final concert on March 8<sup>th</sup>, students should wear the performance outfit that they would normally wear with their school's choir for performances. If the student's choir does not have a set performance outfit, the CMASC Governing Board asks that those students wear "Sunday Best" dress clothes of black and white, going for a professional look in line with their school's dress code.

## H. Tickets

- Tickets will be available through AXS ticketing, online only. More information about these tickets will be posted on the CMASC website. Discounts will be available online only for students and seniors.
- Tickets will be available at the door for a flat rate of \$20, cash only. No discounts will be offered at the door.
- **COMP TICKETS:**
  - MS Directors will be granted free admission to the concert with their Colorado Middle All State Choir identifying badge.
  - HS Directors participating in the HS All State Choir will be granted free admission to the concert with their All State identifying badge.
  - Official Chaperones will be given a comp ticket in the packet directors receive upon check-in for the event. **The CMASC Board will only provide 1 comp ticket for every 6 attending students, and will ensure that the correct number of tickets is in each school's packet.** If a school chooses to bring additional chaperones, they will need to purchase a ticket from AXS online or at the door. Please see the examples under "Chaperone Policy" for guidance about the number of comp tickets that will be provided.

## I. T-Shirt Orders

- All State Choir T-Shirts are available to purchase through an order form on the website. Ordering T-shirts is optional. Please reserve your t-shirt in advance to make sure to receive one at the event. However, there will be some for sale at the event as well. T-shirts are available for \$20, long sleeved t-shirts for \$25, and hoodies for \$30

## J. CD/DVD Orders

- Recordings of the All State Concert will be available for purchase online and in the Belco Theater lobby the night of the concert.

## K. Director's Choir

- Please join us! We have 3 pieces available on JW Pepper's website for the director's to sing.
- If you would like to sing, please bring your music and a black folder as we will be using music during the performance. Please come prepared. We will have two rehearsals at the event (see the event itinerary for rehearsal times).
- We will perform before our guest performers during the concert for the students on Friday afternoon.
- There will be no specific dress code for this choir.

**Please understand that even if a student of yours has an important conflict or other circumstance, he or she must be at All State Choir for everything on the schedule. He or she will have to choose ahead of time between All State Choir and the other item in their calendar. This is simply to ensure the absolute best quality of All State Choir for all participants and is not meant to be harsh in any way.**