

COLORADO MIDDLE ALL STATE CHOIR AUDITION AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION

ELIGIBILITY

To audition for and participate in the 2015 Colorado Middle School All State Choir, the auditioning student MUST:

- 1.) Be enrolled the seventh or eighth grade at a Colorado educational institution.
- 2.) Participate in their school's choral music program. If choral music is not offered at the student's school, both the student's music teacher and administrator must verify that choir is not offered in the curriculum.
- 3.) Have a submitting music instructor who is a member of CMEA/NAFME. **This is a state requirement. CMEA is our umbrella organization and to participate in all statewide festivals and All State events in the state of Colorado, music teachers must be a current member of CMEA/NAFME.**
- 4.) Be recommended by their submitting music instructor as having the maturity and discipline to participate in a high level music event.

AUDITION INSTRUCTIONS

1) Fill out the **CMASC Director Entry form once *per school***:

<http://goo.gl/forms/GtyG92VtjL>

2) Fill out the **Student Entry form once *per student***:

<http://goo.gl/forms/AkiBj6fpsK>

3) The audition fee is \$20.00 per student. It can be paid one of two ways: by credit card via the CMEA website, or by check via US mail.

Credit card:

[http://cmeregistration.boosterforce.com/pages/Storefront.php?orgname=CMEA
_AllState](http://cmeregistration.boosterforce.com/pages/Storefront.php?orgname=CMEA_AllState)

Check: We will only accept ONE check per school. If individual students write individual checks, please consolidate these into one check from your school before mailing. Check can be mailed to:

Colorado Middle School All State Choir PO Box 666 Erie, CO 80516 Postmark deadline for checks is **Friday, October 10th, 2014.**

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4) Print out the Practice Audition Script and Practice Audition Recordings for your students. **Make sure to choose the correct script for each student depending on their voice part as the scripts are in different keys.** Students may see these scripts and hear these recordings in order to practice for the actual audition.

5.) In September, no later than two weeks prior to the audition deadline, the Official Recorded Audition Scripts will be posted online. Students are **NOT** to hear or see these prior to their audition. There will be a different recording for each individual voice part. **Make sure you choose the correct script (which will have the correct keys for each voice part) for each student.** Students may NOT see or hear these scripts prior to their actual audition: they will be password protected, directors please email your district governor to obtain the password.

6) Record each student's audition. **NO TEACHER SPEAKING OR ASSISTANCE IS ALLOWED** during the recording process, so make sure you prepare your student for what the audition will be like before you record. **You will need a RECORDING DEVICE:**(i.e. a portable digital recorder or using software such as Audacity or Garageband in conjunction with a computer's built-in microphone or an external USB microphone **and a PLAYBACK DEVICE** (audio player or computer) to play the recorded audition script.

7) No information that could identify the student or the school should be heard on the recording. The TEACHER starts the RECORDING DEVICE and then starts the PLAYBACK DEVICE to start the Recorded Audition Script and the student should follow the recorded directions EXACTLY. Each student's audition must be one continuous take. **Stopping the recording once the audition has begun is not permitted,** and again **NO TEACHER SPEAKING OR ASSISTANCE IS ALLOWED** during the recording process.

8) Recordings that do not use the Recorded Audition Script to provide student directions and/or contain teacher speaking or any other deviations from the script **will be disqualified.**

9) Audition recordings must be submitted in mp3 (or AAC) format. Convert each student's audition track to mp3 format if necessary and label each file in the following manner:

CMEADistrictMiddleschoolnameLastnameFirstname.mp3 (example:
1ImaginaryMSSmithJohn.mp3)

studentlastnamestudentfirstnameschoolname.mp3

10) Upload each file via www.dropittome.com/CMASC. Attach each properly labeled (Files will be re-labeled before they are sent to the judges so that judges will not know school or student information during the adjudication process). Deadline for submitting audition recordings is **5 PM Friday, October 9th, 2015.**