



Dear Youth All-State Treble Choir Member,

Congratulations on being selected as a member of the Louisiana Youth All-State Treble Choir!

Your recording was chosen by a panel of judges to be one of the best from the recordings submitted by 7th through 9th grade students throughout the State of Louisiana. Please read the information in this letter and the following pages **carefully**. The deadline for returning the registration forms and fees is **October 5, 2018 (postmark)**. We require that the **TEACHER** submit all forms from the school in one envelope, so please **DO NOT** mail your forms individually. If your completed forms and fees are postmarked later than this date, you will be ineligible to participate, so please return the forms to your teacher quickly, by the deadline he/she sets. Forms must be received by **October 13th**.

It is indeed an honor to be selected for this prestigious choir. This honor comes with tremendous responsibility.

- to complete the registration form online and return them with payment to your teacher in advance of the October 5 mailing deadline
- to learn the music included with this package before you arrive in New Orleans on November 1st.

It is the hope of the Louisiana Choral Directors Association that our Youth All-State Treble Choir will maintain a standard of excellence equal to the best All-State Choirs in the country. In order for this to be possible, it is absolutely imperative that you prepare your music thoroughly in advance. This means that pitches and rhythms of all pieces on the concert program must be learned before you arrive in New Orleans, so that our distinguished clinician can work with you on the “fun” part of preparing for performance..... musicianship.

On the first night of the All-State clinic there will be a note check. All singers will be asked to sing random selections of all the concert pieces for a panel of middle and high school teachers. **Students who fail to perform satisfactorily on the note check will not be allowed to participate in the All-State clinic.** Their parents will be asked to bring them home and they will forfeit the full tuition. It is important that you, your teachers, and your parents understand this before you arrive in New Orleans. If you put forth an honest effort to learn your music thoroughly in advance, there is no reason to worry about the note check. You have already proven yourself as a capable singer on your audition recording...now all you have to do is get to work and do what you already know how to do...learn the music!

The All-State clinic dates and schedule are detailed on our State ACDA Website, laacda.org. All activities on Thursday and Friday take place at the Hilton Riverside. Please note that singers are to be with their chaperones whenever they are not in rehearsal. Please do not allow the children to roam around the hotel unattended. Punctuality at all rehearsals are vitally important.

Please note that All-State fees are not refundable for any reason. If selected, singers must take their honor choir commitment very seriously and are expected to follow through. **Singer must be present for all rehearsals IN THEIR ENTIRETY!**

You will have the option of purchasing an All-State t-shirt.

T-Shirts- \$15.00. *T-SHIRTS MAY ONLY BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE. IF IN DOUBT ABOUT SIZE ORDER LARGER. Those who fail to specify a size will be given size Large. There will not be extra t-shirts to exchange.

You will need to bring the following items:

- Casual clothes for rehearsal (attire should be modest)
- Sleepwear
- Dress clothes for the concert

Attire: Young Ladies- dress or skirt and blouse (attire should be of modest

length and have a modest neck-line), dress shoes, hair should be pulled back from the face, NO PERFUME!

Young Men- dress shirt, tie, dress pants (no jeans!), belt, dress shoes and socks, NO COLOGNE!

-Toiletries (shampoo, toothpaste, etc.)

- Your music (five pieces total) in a folder or binder

NUMBER ALL MEASURES

- A pencil to be used at rehearsals (bring two to be safe!)

The Youth All-State Treble Choir is going to be a wonderful experience for all of you. Good luck in the preparation during the next few weeks- get your medical/information form back to your teacher in- on time- and we'll see you in New Orleans at 5:00 PM on Thursday, November 1st. **Please note that we WILL NOT begin registration before 5 PM, so we ask that you PLEASE do not line up early.**

There is plenty of time for everyone to be accommodated once we begin at 5 PM. This note-check is a closed rehearsal, which is open only to the singers and the teachers who are working with them. All of the other rehearsals are open rehearsals.

Sincerely,

Holly Grefe, Youth All-State Treble Choir Co-Chairperson

Victoria Qualls Atkins, Youth All-State Treble Choir Co-Chairperson

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YOUTH TREBLE ALL-STATE CHOIR

Form #1 - MEDICAL & INFORMATION RELEASE

Return to teacher; teachers send forms by October 5, 2018

Please type or print legibly, so your name will not be misspelled in the concert program. Fill in all the blanks.

Student's Name: _____
LAST FIRST

Mailing Address: _____ City _____ Zip _____

Parent/Guardian Email Address: _____

Sponsoring School/Organization: _____

Grade _____ Age _____ Height _____ Gender _____

Please check one of the following:

- The above-mentioned student has no physical problems that require special attention during the All-State Activity.
- The above-mentioned student has the following health problem(s) that might require special attention during the All-State Activity:

- My student would like to purchase an All-State T-Shirt
YOUTH SIZE: L ADULT SIZE: S M L XL
COST: \$15 per T-Shirt. QUANTITY: _____
- My student does not want to purchase a T-Shirt.

I hereby give permission for emergency treatment for my child by qualified members of the medical profession, if such treatment should be necessary.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

PRINT PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME

- I grant permission for my student's name, school affiliation, and limited identifying information to be used by the Louisiana American Choral Directors' Association for concert programs, ensemble T-shirt, and scheduling lists.
- Please **DO NOT** allow my student's name, school affiliation, and limited identifying information to be used by the Louisiana American Choral Directors' Association. I understand that this will prohibit my student from being eligible to participate in the All-State honor ensembles.

The student whose name is listed above accepts the invitation to participate in the **Louisiana Youth TREBLE All-State Choir on November 1-3, 2018 in New Orleans**. All who sign below understand that any student who is judged by a panel of choral teachers at the note check to be unprepared with his/her part on the concert music will be sent home at his/her parents' expense, and will forfeit All-State tuition. Students must attend each rehearsal in its entirety. Failure to do so will result in dismissal from the All-State choir. Strict attention is expected in rehearsals at all times.

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE

PARENT'S SIGNATURE

MUSIC TEACHER'S SIGNATURE

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S SIGNATURE