

2009 Children's All State Choir Procedure

Prepare an audition tape or CD:

1. A separate, high quality cassette tape or CD should be submitted for each student auditioning; an Audition Form must be completed for each entry.
2. Write the name of the student on the tape/CD. If the tape/CD is in a box/Case, write the name of the student on the box/case and the tape/CD.
3. At the beginning of the tape/CD, the singer must speak his/her name and grade in school. **Do not state the name of the school on the tape.**
4. Next, the student must sing "My Country 'Tis of Thee" (not "America the Beautiful"), a cappella, wherever it is most comfortable in his/her range. We strongly suggest that teachers practice the piece with singers to make sure they can sing it well.
5. The singer must sing the following audition piece:
6. DOMINE DEUS by Antonio Vivaldi for unison voices and keyboard . It is published by Roger Dean. .
7. ***Students are to sing the entire piece.*** PLEASE BE REMINDED: Students must sing with accompaniment.

Teachers: DO NOT sing with your students on the tape/CD or play the melody with the accompaniment. If you do, your student(s) will be disqualified. Also, do not "dub" together portions of the song onto one tape/CD. The audition tape/CD must be unedited or it will be disqualified.

Please listen to the tapes/CDs before you send them to make sure they are complete and audible. Please also rewind tapes!

The audition piece is available from AMC Music Company, Houston, Texas (1-800-833-8432). When calling, please request the audition piece for the Louisiana Elementary All State Choir.

Prepare the Audition Form:

1. Fill in all information on the Audition Form. An Audition Form must be completed for each entry.
2. Wrap the audition form around the tape/CD and secure with a rubber band. **Do not use scotch tape!** It saves a lot of time if the form is submitted with the tape/CD to which it refers.
3. Include a \$7.00 per student entry fee (Make checks payable to LA-ACDA). **One check per school or organization.**

SEND THE TAPE/CD AND AUDITION FORM TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

Cheryl Dupont
5604 Woodlawn Place
New Orleans, LA 70124

Cheryl_Dupont@hotmail.com

****AUDITION MATERIALS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 11 AND RECEIVED by SEPTEMBER 18, 2009. Deadlines will be strictly adhered to.**

Because we have encountered delivery problems, we ask that you do not send tapes/CDs by certified mail. Mail is usually delivered during work hours when no one is available to sign for these packages, so they are returned to the post office, causing delivery delay. **They cannot be retrieved if you require a signature.** We recommend that you request delivery confirmation at the time you mail your tapes. This will achieve the same result and avoid delays.