

All-Region Choir Introduction

Downing Middle School in Lewisville ISD will host the All-Region Choir auditions. These auditions will be held at Downing MS on:

Saturday, October 29, 2011 from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

WHAT IS ALL-REGION CHOIR?

The All-Region Choir is a choir made up of the best 7th and 8th grade singers in Region 24. Students compete against singers from Lewisville, Carrollton/Farmers Branch, Grapevine, Frisco, Colleyville, Southlake/Carroll, Little Elm, and Lake Dallas for membership in the choir.

WHAT ENSEMBLES DO THEY HAVE?

7th Grade Treble
8th Grade Treble
7th-8th Grade Tenor/Bass.

WHY SHOULD I DO THIS?

- By preparing to audition you will grow tremendously as a musician.
- You will gain self-confidence and independence as a musician.
- We are learning the music in class – It's a no brainer! You should try!
- You have everything to gain and nothing to lose by auditioning!
- Participating in the All-Region Choir is an exciting, challenging and fun learning experience!

AUDITION PROCESS

- Students audition behind a pre-hung sheet, shielded from the judges.
- Students are allowed to use their music -- it does not have to be memorized.
- Students will also sight-read an 8 measure sight-reading example composed for the contest.

ENTRY PROCESS

- You can request AM or PM auditions -- ONLY if it is a legitimate need.
- Put audition time requests in writing on your contract. If you tell me after you have already been entered online & it is past the deadline, your time request will not be honored by Region 24.
- Should you miss your assigned audition slot, you may check-in and wait to be squeezed into the schedule. (This may cause you to wait for a lengthy time because priority will be given to students who arrive as scheduled.)
- The Region entry fee is included in your BMS Choir Activity Fee.

- Please make sure your Activity Fee is paid and fees are up-to-date. You can verify this online at www.charmsoffice.com and can pay Activity Fees via PayPal, cash or check (made payable to Briarhill Choir Boosters).

Students who pass every class for the 1st 6 weeks are eligible to audition.

Students who fail a class on the 1st 6 weeks report card, but pass ALL classes on their 3 weeks progress report become eligible to audition.

WHAT ARE MY RESPONSIBILITIES?

- **Please make sure before you sign up, you are available on the concert date should you be selected for the choir.**
- If you are selected and do not attend, you have taken a membership spot away from another student. He/she will miss out on the opportunity to be an All-Region Choir member because of your actions.

DEADLINE: Please read and sign the All-Region Contract and return to Mrs. McGinnis by **October 1st**.

CLINIC & CONCERT: **Saturday, November 12, 2011**
Stonebriar Community Church (Frisco)
Clinic: 8:00 AM - 3:15 PM
Concert: 4:00 PM