

Audition Guidelines
2023-2024 Statewide Treble KCDA Honor Choir

Students will audition with the *Alleluia* in the key of Bb Major (posted on the website). Below are guidelines to keep in mind while recording your student's audition.

1. The starting pitch (Bb) must be played on the recording in the designated octave. Starting pitch is all that is allowed on the recording before the students begin to sing.
 - A single pitch is all that is allowed to be on the recording before the student begins to sing.
 - Allow time for the pitch to decay/cease prior to the student beginning to sing.
2. No talking or background noise is allowed on any part of the recording.
 - Do NOT announce the name of the student, teacher or school on the audition recording.
 - Do NOT speak to the student at the end of the recording.
 - Do NOT provide vocal support for the student (singing with them, humming along, etc.).

The students must record this song with **NO** accompaniment or other instrumental support.

Attention should be given to:

- Starting on the correct pitch as indicated in the audition excerpt
- Accurate pitch, intonation, and rhythm accuracy
- Phrasing and Musical Expression
- Singing with a confident and pleasant vocal tone with consistent breath support

Student Auditions will be disqualified for the following:

- Failure to include the starting pitch on the recording
- Failure to start on the indicated pitch in the audition excerpt
- Recording multiple pitches at the beginning of the recording
- Singing with accompaniment or other instrumental support
- Singing/humming while the starting pitch is playing
- The presence of any talking on the recording

Be sure to follow the audition process completely and meet the audition deadline (October 2nd, 2023) to ensure that your student(s) recordings are heard and evaluated. There is a \$10.00 non-refundable audition fee per student. Fees must be postmarked by October 30th, 2023. Auditions unpaid by this date will be disqualified. The roster will be posted on November 6th, 2023.

Each selected singer will be required to pay a participation fee (amount \$65, postmarked by January 5th, 2024) which will include rehearsal practice tracks to prepare students for the event, a T-shirt (worn with black slacks and black dress shoes during the performance), and the cost of their lunch on Friday, February 23rd, 2024. Directors who have alternates selected to perform will be informed by January 15, 2024 if their student(s) will participate.

Please Contact the KCDA Treble Choir Chair for questions or details. Information on Website.
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