

**INFORMATION FOR
THE 2018 SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL HONOR CHOIR**

1. Students auditioning should check in with the main registration desk upon arrival at the audition site.
2. Students must audition at their assigned audition site. **Requests for change must be for emergencies only and made to Jane Ruud in writing prior to March 1st.**
3. Additional audition information will be sent to directors prior to the audition. Each site chairperson is responsible for scheduling. Audition forms must be on file with Jane Ruud and audition fee paid in full in order to audition.
4. Total cost is as follows:
 - (a) Audition Fee **\$15.00** Payment made by students to the Honor Choir Audition Chair and included with the registration form. **DEADLINE March 1.**
 - (b) Camp Fee **\$375.00** Paid by student upon acceptance in the choir. The covers music and entire camp fee. **DEADLINE June 1.**
5. Refunds: \$100.00 of the \$375.00 camp fee is non-refundable. **\$275.00 will be refunded if the Camp Registration Chair is notified before July 1, 2018 and if an alternate is found.**
6. Each member of the Honor Choir will be assigned to a quartet at the first rehearsal of the camp. On Monday, there will be random spot checks of these quartets.

Note: It is permissible for school districts to assist (partially or in full) with the payment of audition and camp costs. It is also encouraged to seek scholarship assistance from your local service and Booster clubs.

**ELIGIBILITY GOVERNING
THE 2018 SOUTH DAKOTA HONOR CHOIR PERSONNEL**

1. All members of the Honor Choir are chosen from schools that are active members of the South Dakota High School Activities Association.
2. Directors registering students **must** be SD-ACDA members.
3. Only present 10th and 11th graders are eligible to audition. All members of the Honor Choir shall be active members and in good standing with the choir from their local secondary school.
4. Audition fees and registration forms are to be returned to the Honor Choir Audition Chair postmarked no later than March 1, 2018. (Send to: Jane Ruud, 4512 E. 36th St., Sioux Falls, SD 57110)
5. Auditions will be made at the audition site at the time assigned by the Audition Site Chairperson. The audition sites will be administered by the members of the SD-ACDA.
6. Three or four judges, depending on the number of students auditioning, will audition all of the Honor Choir applicants at all sites with one judge for each section. Judges will help in sight singing/tonal memory for other sections if necessary.
7. Students must provide their own audition accompanist. **Taped accompaniments will be accepted, but performers must furnish their own cassette/CD player.** Only the accompanist may be in the audition room during the audition.
8. Students should limit their audition solo to four minutes and sing by memory. **A legal copy of music must be provided for the judge. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.**
9. The Honor Choir audition contains three areas, proportioned as follows:

(a)	performance of a solo/vocal range	56%	
(b)	sight singing	34%	(This part of the test will include a test of tonal memory)
(c)	written test of musical terms	<u>10%</u>	
		100%	
10. Upon notification of acceptance into the South Dakota Honor Choir, the student must respond to the Camp Registration Chair with the \$375.00 camp fee by June 1, 2018. **If this response has not been received, the student will be dropped from the list and alternates will be contacted.** Directors are requested to coordinate this response whether it is for one student or more.
11. Students must agree to be in attendance at **all** rehearsals and activities Sunday afternoon through Friday evening's concert. They will not be allowed to arrive late or leave campus during the week.