

MSVMA ALL-STATE HONORS CHOIR
DUE Tuesday, SEPT. 18

1. Please read the attached information provided by MSVMA.
2. You must be available on the following dates:

***October 20** Clinic & CONCERT at South Lyon East HS (times TBA)
***November 4** Rehearsal (time and map TBA)
***November 18** Rehearsal (time and map TBA)
***January 6, 2018** Rehearsal (time and map TBA)
***January 25, 2018** **Grand Rapids, Michigan (DeVos Place):**
Rehearsal at noon; *Performance for Michigan Music
Conference, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

3. Parents provide own transportation to the rehearsals and concert.
4. Fees: **\$20.00**, to be submitted with permission form below. Cash or check payable to Novi Middle School.
If your child is accepted, a fee of **\$80.00** is needed at the first rehearsal.

5. Audition requirements:

- A. Students must memorize one song and prepare another. These songs are selected by MSVMA and will be provided by Mrs. Grebinski.
- B. Students must work and record a video audition with his/her partners (SSA or TTB). Mrs. Grebinski will make the video audition.
- C. **Each group should rehearse with Mrs. Grebinski before submitting the on-line audition**
- D. Students should attend before or after school rehearsals with Mrs. Grebinski to learn the music.

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I give permission for my child, _____, to audition for the MSVMA Honors Choir. My child and I have read the attached packet and agree to the requirements. I understand that the non-refundable fee of **\$20.00, payable to Novi Middle School**, must accompany this permit. I also understand that I must provide transportation for my child to the audition and to all rehearsals, which are mandatory.

Parent Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date

HOW TO AUDITION for ALL-STATE

If you are a member of the **Michigan Regional Honors Choir....** you can say you are one of the best singers in the South-East Region of Michigan! These singers are selected by their choir director and are eligible to audition for the All State Choir.

If you are selected to be in the **Michigan All State Honors Choir....** you can say you are one of the best singers in the state of Michigan! These singers are selected by an MSVMA adjudicator.

MSVMA (Michigan School Vocal Music Association) has established the 7-8-9 All-State Honors Choir program which features SA, SSA and TTB choirs each year, directed by in-state conductors.

Students must practice and audition in one of these combinations (SSA). A CD with each vocal part will be provided, enabling students to practice with his/her group. Each group must arrange to meet with Mrs. Grebinski once per week, plus meet on their own.

If you are selected to participate in MSVMA All-State Honors Choir you must be aware of the strict ATTENDANCE POLICY:

All selected singers must attend **all** rehearsals and performances. Absences due to illness must be reported by the student's teacher to the individual choir coordinators prior to the event if possible, or by the day after in order for the absence to be excused. A doctor's note may be required. All other absences will be considered unexcused resulting in the school being considered for probationary status the following year. This means that a school on probation may participate in Honors Choir in the probationary year, but if students from that school do not abide by the attendance policies in the probationary year, that school will not be allowed to participate the following year.

***October 20** CONCERT at South Lyon East HS (timeTBA)

If you are accepted you must attend the next 4 rehearsals:

***November 3** Rehearsal (time and place TBA)

***November 17** Rehearsal (time and place TBA)

***January 12, 2019** Rehearsal (time and place TBA)

***January 24, 2019** **Grand Rapids, Michigan (DeVos Place):**
*Rehearsal at noon; *Performance for Michigan Music Conference, @ 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.*

Congratulations!

Based on your performance skills in 7th grade choir, you have been selected to participate in the following:

1. Regional Honors Choir Performance on Oct. 20 at South Lyon East HS. Time TBA

2. Audition for the All-State Honors Choir

The audition will be recorded and submitted to the MSVMA committee by Mrs. Grebinski. This must be done by October 12.

This is completely optional and requires a commitment from students and parents.

Please read the information attached. If you are going to participate, please turn in the permission slip and \$20 (made payable to Novi Middle School) by September 21.