MID-STATE/FRESHMAN HONORS AUDITION INFORMATION

Date: September 25, 2012

To: MTVA Mid-State and Freshman Honors Directors

From: Terri Godfrey, MTVA Mid-State Auditions Chair

RE: Audition Information

The following information should help in beginning to prepare for a successful audition process and in looking ahead to this weekend. Thank you in advance for all of your hard work and patience as we audition approximately 1400 students for the choirs!

AUDITION LOCATION: RIVERDALE HIGH SCHOOL -802 Warrior Drive Murfreesboro, TN 37128

Directions to Riverdale High School are enclosed. This information is also posted on the MTVA web site (mtva.org).

DIRECTOR'S MEETING: All participating directors should arrive no later than 4:00 p.m. for a director's meeting at Riverdale High School on Friday, September 28, 2012. The first auditions begin promptly at 5:00 p.m. Your promptness at this meeting is essential as student's are scheduled until 9:30 in one room!! We cannot start any panel without all of the judges present!!! Please be respectful of others and be on time!!!

REMINDER: ALL PARTICIPATING DIRECTORS ARE REQUIRED TO WORK THE ENTIRE AUDITION EVENT (BOTH DAYS) REGARDLESS OF WHEN YOUR OWN STUDENTS ARE SCHEDULED. ONLY DIRECTORS WHO RECEIVED APPROVAL FROM THE MTVA BOARD FOR AN ABSENCE IN ADVANCE ARE PERMITTED TO MISS ANY PORTION OF AUDITIONS.

FOOD FOR YOUR STUDENTS: The Riverdale Choir Boosters will be selling snacks/pizza and drinks throughout the event for students. Please make your students aware so that they can plan to bring money.

PARKING: Parents and others should park in front of the school and enter in the main doors (the LEFT set of doors) in front of the school.

SATURDAY'S AUDITION: Directors need to be at the site at 7:30 AM to ensure an efficient start. Students begin singing at 8:00 AM. **EXCEPTION: All S2 Judges and room monitors will need to be at the facility by 7:00 to begin judging at 7:30.**

We cannot start any panel without all of the judges present!!! Please be on time!!!

REGISTRATION: REGISTRATION WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE MAIN LOBBY JUST INSIDE THE DOORS THROUGH WHICH YOU WILL ENTER. In order for the audition process to go smoothly, students should "check in" with the registration table to ensure their scores are matched correctly with their name both at the audition room and in the scoring room. When this does not occur, it delays the scoring process for everyone. PLEASE communicate this to your students! Students need to be present on site in enough time to warm up and locate their audition room. At least 45 minutes is recommended.

AUDITION CUTS: Audition cuts will be posted on the MTVA website Wednesday at 5:00 PM. This will include specific instructions for each cut as well as an MP3 recording. Music is located on this page as well.

SIGHTREADING: MTVA is piloting a sightreading portion of the audition. Each student --- grades 9 - 12 --- will sightread a four measure example. Because we are piloting the program, this will have no effect on any student's score this year.

CHOIR POSTING: Choirs will be posted on the MTVA website Saturday evening at the conclusion of the audition. You may check for your scores at mtva.org. The singers don't finish until 7:00 PM on Saturday evening so it will take some time to complete the results. All directors will receive a copy of the complete rankings for your students.

MUSIC: All music for Mid-State will be shipped directly to your school from JW Peppers.

PLEASE CONTACT ME WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS

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This process is very intense for students as well as directors. Thanks in advance for your hard work and time and for your patience and understanding.

Terri Godfrey MTVA Mid-State Auditions Chair, 2012 Middle Tennessee Vocal Association

RIVERDALE HIGH SCHOOL DIRECTIONS

FROM NASHVILLE - I-24

Take I-24 toward Chattanooga - exit #80 toward Eagleville. After exiting Interstate, turn left at light (Warrior Drive). The school will be ahead on the left. Enter in the main entrance in front of the school.

FROM BRENTWOOD/FRANKLIN - I65

Take I-65 South to Hwy 96 toward Murfreesboro. Take Hwy 96 all the way to I-24 - merge onto I-24 East toward Chattanooga. Take I-24 toward Chattanooga - exit #80 toward Eagleville. After exiting the interstate, turn left at light (Warrior Drive). The school will be ahead on the left. Enter in the main entrance in front of the school.

FROM COOKEVILLE/EAST - I40

Take I-40 to I-840, then merge onto I-24 East toward Chattanooga. Take I-24 toward Chattanooga - exit #80 toward Eagleville. After exiting Interstate, turn left at light (Warrior Drive). The school will be ahead on the left. Enter in the main entrance in front of the school.

FROM SHELBYVILLE:

Take Hwy 231 toward Murfreesboro. Turn LEFT onto Warrior Drive and the school will be ahead on the right. Enter in the main entrance in front of the school.