

Choral Section of NW district Meeting, August 2021

Present: Laura Argotsinger, Siromani Leath, Marletta Newman ,
Shera Piper, James Golden , Virginia Nickels, Katie patton , Paul
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- **Financial Report**

- There is \$3459.29 in the choir account

- **High School & Middle School Solo and Ensemble**

- When: Oct 4th
- Location: Farmington High School hosted by Laura Argotsinger
- Time: 1:00 pm-6:00 pm
- Laura Argotsinger will get the judges: Melissa Mortensen and Megan Quintana (Need to make sure the judges fill out a clinician contract and W9 form and it is given to Siromani).
<https://www.nmmea.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/Choir-Adjudication-Contract.pdf>) **\$150 for the event per judge.** *Laura moved to pay the judges \$150 for the event. Siromani seconded the motion.*
- Registration by September 20th. Please register on the nmmea website <https://www.nmmea.com/districts/northwest/entry-forms/> (Choral Secretary will need to invoice everyone once registration is completed)
- Fee is \$10 per student per ensemble/song
- This event is great for All State solo practice
- May use a track as accompaniment.
- Types of songs: Art, Jazz, Broadway, Folk but no Pop or Country songs.
- Please be sure and bring a legal copy of the music for the judges. Students please stay true to the printed page of music
- Students need to be prepared with their accompaniment track on CD, flash drive or phone (if using an Apple phone please make sure they have a dongle)?
- Registration: Sept. 20th

- **Honor Choir for 7th-9th Grade, Oct. 23rd, Saturday at 3:00 pm**

- Venue: Tentative Sandstone
- Emry Garcia is the clinician. (Make sure they fill out a clinician contract and a W9 form and given to the choir secretary
<https://www.nmmea.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/Choir-Adjudication-Contra>

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 - Accompanist: James Golden (Fill out a contract & W9 form and send to Siromani).
<https://www.nmmea.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/Choir-Adjudication-Contract.pdf>)
 - Each school may bring 4 sopranos, 4 altos and 4 baritones.
 - Repertoire: Adjudicator will choose one piece.
 - Committee to choose the rest of the rep. Who wants to be on the committee? James, Laura, Katie
 - Laura, Shera and James will provide recordings to send out to the students.
 - Registration <https://www.nmmea.com/districts/northwest/entry-forms/> due September 24th (one month before the event) (Siromani will need to invoice everyone once registration is completed)
 - Laura will keep a google docs spreadsheet of the names of the students who will be participating.
 - Fee is **\$25** per student.
 - Katie will get t-shirts printed.
 - Katie and James will get the programs printed.
 - Students need to bring a sack lunch, drink and a snack.
 - Siromani will order lunch for directors and clinician/accompanist.
 - James will do the schedule for the day including scheduling sectionals.
 - Katie and high school students will lead outside games.
 - Rehearsal starts at 8am.
 - Concert begins at 3pm.
 - Charge \$2 at the door
 - Pam or any mom chaperoning will be in charge of collecting the money at the door.
- **High School All State – UNM, Albuquerque, Jan 5-8, 2022**
 - Auditions will be Oct. 25-29 (Farmington’s specific audition date is not yet posted)
 - Registration deadline is October 4th
 - <https://www.nmmea.com/all-state/>
 - Audition piece is Water Night (SATB), Eric Whitacre. Publisher: Walton Music
 - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1uEU85i1dWDe9TETNvEngnHmZRuGRWRZwv7BbrE8bmIY/edit>
 - Please buy an audition track for each student to help keep the fees down.
 - <https://eercmusic.com/#NewMexico>
 - Will there be a NW District High School All State prep day at FHS. Saturday, August 28th at 8:00 am.
 - **Youth All-State, Hoffmantown Church in Albuquerque, January 27th-29th 2022**
 - Audition pieces: Same as last year. Youth: Will there Really be a Morning – Craig Hella Johnson (AMP-0620); Elementary: All Things Bright and

Beautiful Philip E. Silvey 2 Pt. JWP#10046888

- Website is <https://nmacda.com> for more information
- Audition Deadline is October 1st? Not posted but probably the same
- Must register as an ACDA member to participate
- Clinicians are Elementary: Dr. Susan Brumfield; Treble: Dr. Randi Bolding; Mixed: Robert J. Ward
- Must register as an **ACDA member** <https://acda.org> to participate
- Shera is Farmington trip coordinator. Laura Argotsinger will help plan the trip.
- Will Gonzalez is treasurer
- Randy Bolding is president
- Verify that Farmington is the judging team for the Youth

- **Music Performance Assessment**

- **March 9th: middle school, March 10th; high school.**
- Registration deadline **February 9th**. Please make sure your NAFME membership <https://nafme.org/join-renew/> is up to date so you don't have problems registering and please do not register late. (Siromani will need to invoice everyone once registration is complete.)
- Venue and host: Civic Center? SJC?
- Host will need to make sure that everything is set up for Festival; judges tables; signs posted; risers for stage, sight reading room and warmup room. Host will get high school kids as guides for the choirs. Will also need auditorium door monitors, MP3 recording students to deliver/pickup judging packets, sight reading room monitor. On high school performance day we need to make sure that there no jobs are being neglected because the high school kids are performing
- Siromani will do the schedule
- Laura will get the judges. Still working on it.
- Judges need to fill out judges contracts <https://www.nmmea.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/Choir-Adjudication-Contract.pdf> and W9 forms <https://www.nmmea.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/W-9.pdf> and send them to sleath@fms.k12.nm.us (Choir Secretary)
- Site Chair: Middle School Day: Laura Argotsinger & Megan Quintana
High School Day: Siromani Leath & Marletta Newman
- \$213 Fee (this includes the \$13 photo fee)
- Photographer: Dawn Smith Marletta will schedule her
- Siromani will provide lunches, snacks and drinks/ice for the judges/directors/accompanists.
- Zoom recorders/SD cards: Provide SD card with your music if you want the judges to use the SD card to record comments. Let judges know to record comments using zoom if the SD card is provided with the music.

- **State Choir Festival: Venue TBD, April 8th, 9th**
Adopted the MPA rubric for state festival

(○ NMAA does not require a membership, the only requirement is to go to MPA and get a score of 88 or higher

- James will represent us in the State Choir Festival meetings
- Laura suggested the Farmington folks check with Frank Whalen, Farmington activities director, to see if he can help pay for the trip
- The cost is \$225 per choir
- Must submit a completed and signed registration form, NMAA Verification of Eligibility form and roster (signed by a school administrator), a signed Music Director's Code of Conduct and check or PO or CCD for \$225 per choir by ?, 2021 to Dana Pappas, Deputy Director of NMAA
- Use nmact.org for more information and to see who performs on each day)

· **Other Business**

- May 11 , 2022 @ 9:00 am Spring Choral Section of NW District Meeting.
In person for breakfast. Breakfast burritos and donuts and spudnuts.