

# Union Grove Middle School Chorus

## Opportunities, Fees, & Deadlines

August 27, 2019

### All-State Chorus (7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys & Girls)

The purpose of Georgia All-State Chorus is to provide Georgia choral students (grades 7-12) an opportunity to rehearse and perform with a large group of singers, at the state level, who have demonstrated advanced skills in the areas of singing and music reading and to work with a renowned conductor.

<https://www.gmea.org/asc-information>

- Audition Fee: \$25 due Thursday, September 5
- Audition #1 Date: Saturday, November 9, Dutchtown High School, Time TBA
- Acceptance Fee (\$25) and money for sheet music (\$TBA) due by Tuesday, December 3
- Audition #2 Date: January 16, Eagle's Landing HS, Time TBA
- Event Dates: February 27-29, UGA, Athens
- You are responsible for transportation, hotel, food, and supervision.
- Vocal Studio at UGMS during IF to prepare for audition: Follow link above for more details about audition requirements.
- **If you are interested in auditioning for All State Chorus, email me immediately and plan on attending Vocal Studio during IF on Monday, Tuesday, and Fridays in order to prepare for your audition.**

### Spivey Hall Treble Honor Choir Workshop (8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls)

The Spivey Hall Student Choral and Instrumental Workshops began in October 1994 under the artistic direction of the legendary conductor Robert Shaw. These intensive, multi-day programs serve metro-Atlanta educators and their most capable students by providing them with the opportunity to work with renowned choral and instrumental clinicians.

The workshops expand students' knowledge of a variety of repertoire, develop their music-reading skills, and enhance their technical abilities. The Spivey Hall Honor Workshops seek not only to give young people the rare opportunity to perform in a world-class concert hall but also to develop their talents through music and interaction with other dedicated students. **Student scholarships are available.** The fee is \$70. You will also be required to purchase sheet music that is \$15 + shipping. You will also be required to have the appropriate concert attire. In the past it has been black pants and a white top but Spivey will confirm this if you are accepted.

- Participants must be talented musicians, well-behaved students, and available for every rehearsal in its entirety. The full schedule is listed below.
- Students must be nominated by a music educator to participate. Nomination does not guarantee participation.
- Accepted participants must commit to the full schedule. **Sat October 5, 10-5; Thu Oct 10, 5pm-8:00pm; Fri Oct 11, 10am-4pm ; Sat Oct 12, 10am-7pm**
- **You are responsible for transportation and supervision at rehearsals.**
- If your student is accepted, you will receive an email from Spivey Hall and will make payment directly to Spivey.
- Students accepted by Spivey Hall will be scheduled for Vocal Studio during IF on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays in order to prepare for the event.

If you would like to be considered for nomination to participate in this workshop, please email me the following information no later than **Friday, August 30.** [Shelia.gatlin@henry.k12.ga.us](mailto:Shelia.gatlin@henry.k12.ga.us)

- Subject Line should read: Spivey: Student Name  
Body of Email should include:
- Student Name
- Parent/Guardian name
- Parent/Guardian email address
- Parent/Guardian phone number
- Tell me whether or not your student would need a scholarship in order to participate. (I am allowed to nominate one student for a scholarship.)

## **District Honor Chorus (7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys and Girls)**

The purpose of District Honor Chorus is to provide GMEA District VI Choral students (grades 7-8) an opportunity to rehearse and perform with a large group of singers, at the district level, who have demonstrated advanced skills in the areas of singing and musicianship and to work with a renowned conductor.

I have not yet received any information from the district organizer about specific details for this event but I expect the information very soon. I do know the dates are October 17 & 18. For the past several years, the event has been held in Newnan but this could change, depending on the information that is yet to come. There is also a fee. In the past, the fee has varied from \$40-\$60, depending on whether the event is providing meals, the cost of sheet music, etc. I do anticipate reserving a bus for transportation to the event for both days. It is possible that you will need to pick you student up from the event both nights, depending on the information yet to come. Given the information we have so far, your student needs to be available October 17 & 18 from 7:00am-9pm, both days.

If you would like your student to be considered for District Honor Chorus, please email me **Thursday, September 5**. Once I have everyone's email that is interested, I will respond as to whether or not you have been chosen to participate.

- Email subject line.... DHC: Student Name & Grade Level by **Thursday, September 5**.
- From the emails, I will respond to let you know if your student has been chosen to participate.
- Please anticipate the fee being due shortly after the participants are chosen.
- The chosen students will be scheduled for Vocal Studio during IF on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays to prepare for the event.

## **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Union Grove Fine Arts Department Universal Studios Trip**

February 14-17. Details are still being decided upon but will be released very soon. The cost will be approximately \$750 for students and chaperones. There will be a fundraising opportunity.