



2018 Elementary Festival Honor Choir Audition Procedures

Procedure

1. Start audition recording (CD preferred).
2. The teacher reads the following, filling in the blank. Speak slowly and clearly **"This is (Student Name)."** No other talking is permitted please.
3. **Melody Echo Patterns**
 - a) Teacher sings or plays on the piano each of the following melodic examples. (#1 through #3) ***Do not sing and play.*** After each example is played or sung the student echoes (a cappella) ***using the syllable "loo"***.

Exercise 1



Exercise 2



Exercise 3



4. Prepared song

- a) Student sings America a cappella in G major.
- b) Give the student the starting pitch G. Do not play any other type of introduction.
- c) The student should sing the vocal line as written. Do not alter the rhythm or the pitches.
- d) The teacher may accompany the first two measures. The student should complete the song a cappella. The song must be sung straight through without stopping.

America, My Country 'tis of Thee

Soprano

My count - try! 'tis of thee, Sweet land of lib - er - ty,

Of thee I sing; Land where my fa - thers died, Land of the

Pil - grims' pride from ev' - ry - moun - tain-side Let - free dom ring!

6. End of Audition Recording

Listen to all recorded auditions to insure quality recording.

**SDSU Choral Day
Elementary Festival Honor Choir
NOMINATION FORM 2018**

To be submitted by the Nominating Music Teacher/Director/Private Instructor

Singers are current 4th, 5th or 6th grade students in your choral program

Application Postmark Deadline is Monday, October 23, 2017

Include \$5.00 non-refundable application fee **per** recommended singer. All checks should be payable to the SDSU Music Department. Please send **no** cash.

Mail all forms, CD's and checks to:

Elementary Festival Honor Choir
South Dakota State University
Lincoln Music Hall
SLM Box 2212
Brookings, SD 57007

Please fill out this form completely and accurately. PLEASE PRINT ACCURATELY
(You may duplicate this form as many times as necessary, using one application form **per** singer.)

Name of School: _____ School District: _____

Teacher's NAME: _____ Teacher's E-mail: _____

Preferred Address

Teacher's School Telephone: _____ Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Home Telephone: _____

SINGER'S NAME: (As will appear in program):

Present Grade in School: Age: Gender: M F Voice: Soprano Alto

ADULT T-Shirt Size: X-Small Small Medium Large X-Large **Height of Singer:** ft. in.

Nomination Check List!!

_____ Audition CDs labeled. Each CD should be labeled with the **student name, grade and school name**. Use a “sharpie marker to label your CDs. Do not affix any labels to CDs. Place each CD in a separate plastic case or CD envelope. **DO NOT** include any notes about singers on applications or CDs, they are discarded for a “blind” audition.

_____ One Nomination Form per student audition please. Simply cut off the bottom portion of this form and wrap it around the audition CD.

_____ **One Check** made out to SDSU Music Dpt. for **correct amount** - \$5.00 fee for each student audition.
Check or money order must have **school name** written on it somewhere for identification purposes in case it is separated from paperwork.

Print **“audio recordings enclosed”** on your mailing envelope right above the address.

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