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Clear Creek High School Choir Department

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Region XVII Choir Directors:

The Clear Creek High School Choir is excited to host the 2016 Region Auditions, and we look forward to seeing everyone here soon.

Region Auditions will be at Clear Creek High School on Saturday, 10/22/16. Registration will be from 7:45 – 8:15 AM in the cafeteria. Students who do not register by 8:15 AM and who are not designated as late auditioners may be classified as DNA and may not be allowed to audition. Late registration for pre-approved late auditioners ends at 1:30 PM.

Judges will meet in the library. The judges' meeting will begin at 8:15 AM. Please make every effort to be on time. If you are going to be late, please contact Tony Stewart at 985-856-6318 or hosts James Park (832-466-3228) or Sean Stultz (281-799-3508).

The repertoire for the All-Region (State track) audition is: Byrd's *Sing Joyfully* (Ladies and Men); Brahms's *Wechselleid Zum Tanz* (Ladies and Men); Delibes's *Dôme Épais* (Ladies); and Mendelssohn's *Beati Mortui* (Men).

The repertoire for the All-Region Concert Choir audition is: Johnson's *Canticle of Praise* and Haydn's *Ne timeas Maria*.

Please note that the campus is under construction, so drop off may be different than in years past. Please drop off all students from the bus lane (off of FM 518), one entrance past the main entrance. Turn at the traffic light to get into the bus lane. Guest judges may park in the front parking lot outside of this entrance. **After dropping off students, buses should park in the parking lot in the back of the school which is reached by continuing down the bus lane.** After entering through the marked doors, students should follow the signs for the registration areas and stay there until the cuts are sung.

Students will have periodic group vocal warmup opportunities throughout the day while waiting. However, students are not allowed to practice or sing anything that is remotely close to excerpts from any music. They are only allowed to perform the provided scale exercises to warm up their voices. Any student caught singing anything that could be considered an excerpt of music will be disqualified.

Registration will take place in the cafeteria where the students will remain for the run-through of the cuts. Students will remain housed in the cafeteria during the day except for when they are auditioning.

Schools must provide their own chaperones who stay with their students throughout the audition. You may not leave your students unattended.

Students must follow all rules and regulations as outlined in the TMEA Handbook. Students should be in designated areas only, which include the cafeteria and the hallways immediately

surrounding the cafeteria. During the audition process, students must stay in the related audition areas, returning to the cafeteria immediately after their audition. Students out of designated areas may be subject to disciplinary action.

As a reminder, students are not allowed to use cell phones, iPods, or similar cellular or electronic devices at the audition. If a student must use their cell phone, they must follow the procedures outlined in the TMEA Region XVII Director's Handbook.

Concessions will be available for students to purchase. Profits support the CCHS Choir Booster Club. Concessions will include pizza slices, nachos, donuts, sweets, chips, and other snacks as well as water, soda, tea, and coffee. Please encourage your students to purchase concessions at auditions.

Lunch is provided for judges. Guest judges' meals are paid for by the Region, and Region XVII directors will need to pay \$5 each. Judges' lunches will be a sandwich platter, fruit, chips, and dessert.

Maps and directions to the school are attached.

Feel free to contact Sean or me with any questions. We're looking forward to seeing all of you on the 31st!

Regards,

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