

Expectations for the NCMEA High School All-State Choir

Congratulations on your selection into the 2018 NC All-State Choirs! Thank you for following these guidelines.

1. All singers are expected to arrive thoroughly rehearsed in the All-State music.
2. Students who are not adequately prepared will be dismissed. A screening will be held at the first rehearsal to ensure all participants know their music. Students are required to attend a zone rehearsal before coming to this event.
3. All singers are expected to attend all rehearsals and the final concert.
4. All singers are expected to remain focused and disciplined during every rehearsal, as well as refrain from chewing gum, eating, or drinking (except water) during rehearsals.
5. All singers should respect the clinicians, fellow singers, other teachers, or anyone connected with the event or facility. Students may not wear clothing in rehearsal that has references to drugs, alcohol, or any inappropriate or suggestive materials. Students must follow their school expectations and guidelines.
6. All singers are expected to wear their name tag at all times in rehearsals. Lost name tags must be replaced at the student's expense.
7. All singers are expected to bring a pencil and black folder for rehearsals and the concert.
8. Students must wear proper dress for the concert.
 - **Women:** Long, solid black dress with shoulders covered. If in doubt, bring a wrap, sweater, or jacket. No Straps, spaghetti or otherwise. No bare midriffs. The dress should be floor length. White or colored accents should not be worn with this attire. Black "palazzo pants" with a solid black top that meets the above criteria area also acceptable.
 - **Men:** Tuxedo or Solid Black suit-white shirt, solid black tie.
9. All students are expected to turn off cell phones at the beginning of each rehearsal. Students may not use cell phones in any way, nor may they be visible in any way any time during a rehearsal. Use of cell phones may lead dismissal from the choir.

Cell Phone Policy: (High School Choral Executive Board, 2009).

- a. If a cell phone rings the student must relinquish it immediately to the Allstate Coordinator or designee. It will be given to the student's teacher to be kept until the conclusion of that day's rehearsals. If it rings during another rehearsal the student will be dismissed.
- b. If a singer is text messaging during a rehearsal he/she will be immediately dismissed from the choir.
- c. If an emergency situation exists, and a student must receive a communication from a family member during a rehearsal the phone must be left with the student's teacher who will in turn remove the singer from the rehearsal to take the call. The Allstate Coordinator must be made aware of the situation.

In the unlikely event that a singer fails to meet these expectations, he/she will be dismissed from the choir to protect the quality of this experience for all participants. Also, his/her school may not be allowed to send participants the next year.

Signed,

Student: _____ Date: _____

Parent: _____ Date: _____

Principal: _____ Date: _____

School: _____