

NC Elementary Honors Chorus Process and Preparation

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Audition Piece for 2018

Ombra Mai Fu

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Audition will be measures 13 - 30



How many students can audition per school? 6

What do I do if I teach at more than one school? Make a separate entry for each school on the Festival Scores website.

6 students per school



Who can audition for the NCEHC?

K-5 schools may audition 4th and 5th graders.

K-6 schools may audition 4th, 5th, and 6th graders.

K-8 schools may audition 4th, 5th, and 6th graders.





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Is there a charge to
audition?

Yes, \$11.00 per student
to cover the cost of
adjudicators and use of
the "Festival Scores"
audition program.

A practice recording of “**Ombra Mai Fu**” is available on the NCMEA Honors Chorus webpage.

An accompaniment recording of measures 13 - 30 will be available as well. This recording is to be used for the audition. Teachers may NOT play the students pitches when making the recording for the audition. This will result in disqualification. Also, students should not say their name, school name, or teacher's name. This too will result in disqualification.

Make sure each
student voice is
heard over the
recording track.



What is the deadline to have
my MP3 auditions
submitted?

Auditions need to be
uploaded to Festival Scores
by Friday, September 14,
2018. (No exceptions)

Festival Scores

<http://system.festivalscores.com/directors/>



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Submit Elementary Honors
Chorus Application Form online
and **Mail** one printed email
confirmation form per school
with your audition fee of
\$11.00 per student.

Send school check or money order to:
Becky Horn
NCEHC Treasurer
720 Bent Creek Dr.
Hope Mills, NC 28348

Due by Friday, September 14, 2018





Certified mail will NOT be accepted! Late envelopes will be returned to sender so please adhere to the given deadline.

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How do I upload my audition recording?

To log onto to **Festival Scores**:

Click on the link: <http://system.festivalscores.com/directors/> on the **NCMEA Elementary Honors Chorus webpage**

Event Tag is TBA

Audition Event is **2018 NCEHC Auditions**

You will set up a new account. It will send you a link to create a new password.

Then update your profile and include your NAFME #.

Add your **school** info.

Add each **student's** info: Name, T-shirt Size and indicate 2nd or 3rd Year Participant.

Under the Tab **Audition Event**, click **Activate New Event**

Enter the Event Tag: **TBA**

To upload each mp3 file: click on the **Entries** Tab: click ***manage entries***

Select **School**

Select **Student**

Click **Assign Student: Soprano**

You will see the **mp3 upload files** button

How do my students get scored?

Students are scored by a blind audition process.

Each student entered into “Festival Scores” is assigned a numberno name, no school name, and no teacher name is given to the adjudicators.

Judges only have the assigned numbers when judging each recording.

***When recording your students, they should not say their name or school name before singing.**

Audition Rubric

Tone Quality

Pitch Accuracy/Intonation:

Rhythmic Accuracy

Diction

(Vowel Purity, Consonant Clarity)

Musicality/interpretation

Based on a 5 point scale
(5 being highest and 2
being the lowest) Total #
of possible points is 25.



How will I know if my students have been selected?



Each teacher will be notified by email announcing the selection of students for the 2018 NC Elementary Honors Chorus.

YES!
I did it!



What next?

The Elementary Honors Chorus Website page will be your friend.

Deadlines, Procedures, Repertoire, Practice Recordings, Fees, and Conference information will be on the NCMEA Honors Chorus webpage after students have been selected.

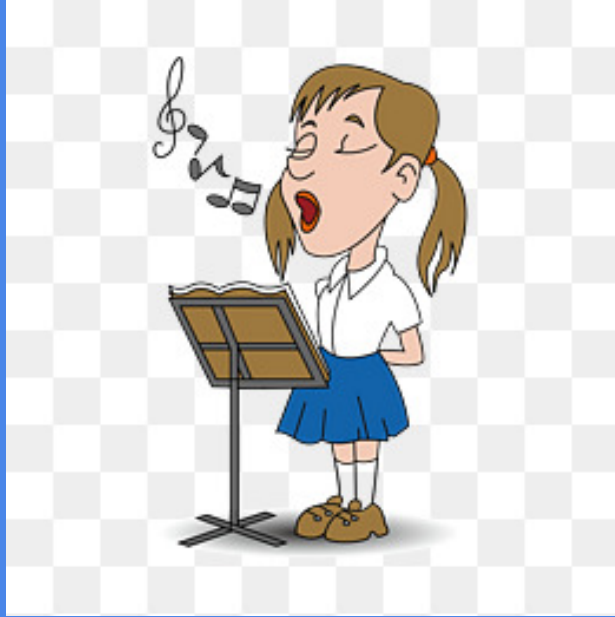
<https://www.ncmea.net/sections-2/elementary/programs/honors-chorus/>



The 2018 Honors Chorus Music and invoice will be sent to your school from JW Pepper.

There are 5 selections in addition to the audition piece. You will receive an email that will tell you what part your student(s) will be singing.





Practice recordings for the 2018 Honors Choir will be uploaded on the Honors Chorus web page after students have been selected. Please give your students access to these recordings but only use it as a tool to help learn the selections. Please practice with your students as well.

After Honors Chorus participants are selected, teachers will need to send one check per school (\$35.00 for each student) to Becky Horne. This fee includes the Honors Chorus t-shirt.





Book a hotel room AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE

Hotels such as Embassy Suites and Marriott on Cherry Street offer reduced rates for Honors Chorus participants. Rooms go fast. First come, first serve. Each school is responsible for booking their own Hotel accommodations.



When do I get my scores back?
After the NCMEA Convention is over.



We can hardly wait to meet your students on
November 10, 2018.

Thank you for caring and taking the time to audition
students for this wonderful event!!! They will never,
ever forget the experience!

