

Dear Directors,

On behalf of the Pasadena Independent School District, I would like to welcome you to the 2023 Region XIX UIL Middle School Vocal Concert and Sight-Reading Contest. The contest will be held March 7th-9th, 2023. Please be sure to familiarize your students with the location and the rules for this contest. You will find directions and a map of our building on the Region XIX UIL website.

Upon arrival, please have your bus enter the West driveway and travel around to the Stanley J. Oakes Performing Arts Center located at the back of the school. A monitor will greet and guide you to the holding area, and will be with you during the entire contest. Once you arrive, if you are not greeted by a student monitor, please call me immediately (713-557-4362).

The event schedule is located on the Region 19 UIL webpage.

Please be advised of the following:

- No one will be allowed to enter the auditorium once a choir has entered the stage. Audience members will sit in the back of the auditorium, behind the judges, during the performance. Choirs may not stay in the auditorium all day. Please plan to listen to a few choirs, and then move your students to the holding area so that other choirs may also have a turn.
- 2. A director or sponsor must supervise the students at all times.
- 3. Misbehavior in the audience will not be tolerated. We want every choir to have the ideal performing and recording conditions.
- 4. There will be no recording devices, radios, CD/MP3 players, headsets, or cell phones allowed at the contest site. Directors with cell phones are asked to make sure they are off upon arrival. Cell phones could possibly interfere with the recording equipment.
- 5. There will be no concession stand available.
- 6. We will not be responsible for student bags, purses, or luggage. Please make provisions to take care of your choir's needs. There will not be any place to store these items.
- 7. All Choirs and guests must enter the building through the south entrance only. This is the main entrance near the Stanley J. Oakes Performing Arts Center.
- 8. All buses must park in the south parking lot. (see Map)
- 9. There will be 8 four step risers on the stage, in the warm-up room, and in the sight-reading room.
- 10. The auditorium curtain will open and close for each performance.

Sight-reading Room

- 1. The rules for the sight-reading room are your responsibility to know and go over with your kids before UIL Contest. The rules will NOT be read to your group before they enter the room.
- 2. No director will be allowed to enter the sight-reading room to listen to another group without the permission of the group's director and Ben Gollehon. A director will not be allowed to listen to another group singing in the same category in order to hear the sight-reading piece for that level of group. Parents, fellow directors, student teachers, and other school staff and administrators are allowed to listen to their group sight-read. Recording is not allowed.
- 3. If your choir is scheduled to perform first in the morning or first after lunch, you may warmup on stage. You may not, however, sing more than your allotted warmup time (20 Minutes). If you get to the stage early you may setup, but will not sing until 20 minutes before your performance. This rule will be strictly enforced and you will be subject to disqualification if you do not follow them.
- 4. Please know that we will be working around the school's bell schedule as best as possible. I ask that you be somewhat flexible in dealing with this.

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