

Elementary Honor Choir FAQs

How many students can I audition?

Here is the what the handbook outlines for number of student auditions.

1. The number of students is based on per teacher, not per school. Teachers cannot submit students from their school and, for example, another school or a private studio. The teacher's name will represent only one organization.
2. If the combined enrollment of your school's fifth and/or sixth grades equals 300 or less, you may audition 5 students.
3. If the combined enrollment of your school's fifth and/or sixth grade equals 301 or more, you can audition 3% of that number. ALWAYS round DOWN and provide documentation on school letterhead, signed by a principal. (9.50 to 9.99 is still 9)

Where can I send my proof of enrollment letter?

Please send a PDF of your signed letter to our email, mselementaryhc@gmail.com

What is required in the audition?

Students will need to be recorded singing "Dona Nobis Pacem" with the accompaniment track. That recording will be uploaded to Opus Event, and then the students will do a tonal memory exercise under the sight reading portion. A full tutorial for Opus Event can be found on our website.

Can you explain the tonal memory process?

The tonal memory portion is the only "live" part of the audition. Once your student has uploaded their recording of "Dona Nobis Pacem" they will then move on to the tonal memory. Students only get one attempt on this portion of the audition. The tonal memory will be played twice for them, they then get 15 seconds to study the example, and then it will be played twice for them again. After that they will have 10 seconds to record their exercise.

Can I guide my students through the audition?

Absolutely! We want their audition to be a positive experience.

Where can I find examples, practice tracks, and accompaniment?

On our website, www.msmea.org/elementary-all-state-honor-choir

How much does the audition cost?

The cost to audition is \$15, and the parents can pay it directly via Opus Event.

How much is honor choir registration?

It is \$75 and includes registration, music, and honor choir t-shirt.

Have more questions? Send an email to
mselementaryhc@gmail.com