

York County Senior Honors Choir
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Congratulations! You have been recommended for York County Senior Honors Choir. We are excited to continue with our upcoming 22nd season, and we hope you will attend our first meeting on September 8 to learn more about the choir. The Senior Honors Choir is comprised of 10th through 12th grade students from high schools and homeschooled students all over York County. Thanks to the generous support of choral directors, voice teachers, and numerous York County corporations, foundations and individuals, the Honors Choirs organization has been a valuable addition to the music education opportunities for local youth. To learn more about the organization, please visit our website at www.theYCHC.org.

Please study the attached schedule carefully. The first **parent/student meeting and rehearsal on Sunday, September 8** is mandatory (for both you and a parent or guardian) and extremely important! We will answer your questions and prepare you for your **audition in octets on September 21 or 22.** (If you need other accommodations for information and distributed music, please contact Randy at Rdy1949@gmail.com after submitting your registration form.)

If you are chosen to be in Senior Honors Choir, you will be expected to be present for all rehearsals and performances. Please check the scheduled Honors Choir dates with your school calendar along with concert dates, musical rehearsals, prom and anything else that may be a conflict. We strongly urge you to participate in your school's choral program, and if a school activity (music, sports, musicals, etc.) conflicts directly at the same time with an Honors Choir performance or rehearsal, you will be excused from your Honors Choir commitment for that day. Your continuing membership in Honors Choir will depend on your ability to arrange your work and personal social schedule, and reliably communicate with us, so that you can be a dependable, consistent member of the Senior Honors Choir.

The financial obligation for this opportunity will be \$255: a non-refundable registration fee of \$40 is required with your registration, and a remaining \$120 tuition and \$95 formal outfit fee will be payable after your successful audition. Your formal concert attire includes a full-length dress for the girls and a 4-piece vest ensemble for the guys, which you will own. Beyond that, there is no additional cost for membership in the Senior Honors Choir, thanks to our generous patrons and sponsors. If for any reason you cannot meet the financial obligations, please see our website www.theYCHC.org, click on Forms and select "Scholarship Request Form for Junior and Senior Honors Choir" to complete the necessary paperwork. Please do not let financial concerns prevent you from being a part of the Honors Choirs.

➤ On June 26-28, 2020, Junior and Senior Honors Choir are invited to participate in the Choirs of America Nationals for Top Choirs at Carnegie Hall in New York City. Choir members will have an exciting opportunity for choral education clinics and feature performance opportunities. Please know that there is an additional cost for this trip (at this time trip fee is estimated at \$680), and an installment payment plan will be offered. Trip scholarship request forms will be available if for any reason you cannot meet the financial obligation. The trip is not mandatory, but our Executive Director will see that every choir member can participate if they are available. An informational meeting about the Carnegie Hall trip will be held on Tuesday, May 28, 7:00 p.m. at Zion UMC, 1030 Carlisle Road, York, PA 17404. Parents and students may attend if you are registered for Senior Honors Choir or uncertain about registration at this time.

TO REGISTER: Visit the York County Honors Choirs **Student Center page** (www.theychc.org/student-center.html) and click on the **Senior Honors Choir Registration** link.

Before entering the Registration page you will be prompted to enter a password –YCHC2019

Follow the instructions to pay the \$40 registration fee first and then return to the Registration page to complete and submit the online registration form.

If you experience difficulties with online registration, Senior Honors Choir paper registration forms are located on the Registration page to print, complete, and mail with a check/money order to our office. (If you do not have internet access, your choral director has a registration form hard copy.)

Registration deadline is June 21, 2019. (After June 21, registration fee will increase to \$50.) No registrations will be accepted after August 15, 2019.

We look forward to seeing you!

Sincerely, *Randy Yoder*, Director / *Michal Buchanan*, Assistant Director

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TENTATIVE

2019 – 2020 REHEARSAL, AUDITION and CONCERT SCHEDULE
 as of May 21, 2019

Sunday, Sept. 8	Opening Meeting	Eastminster Presbyterian Church (EPC) 311 Haines Road, York, PA 17402	7:00 – 9:00 PM
Sunday, Sept. 15	Rehearsal for auditions (optional)	EPC Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Saturday, Sept. 21	Auditions (30 minutes each)	EPC Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Sunday, Sept. 22	Auditions (30 minutes each)	EPC Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall	1:30 – 4:00 PM
Sunday, Sept. 29	Rehearsal and Costume Fitting	EPC Fellowship Hall	1:30 – 4:00 PM
Sunday, Oct. 6	Rehearsal	EPC Fellowship Hall	1:30 – 4:00 PM
Sunday, Oct. 13	Rehearsal	EPC Fellowship Hall	1:30 – 4:00 PM
Sunday, Oct. 20	Rehearsal	EPC Fellowship Hall	1:30 – 4:00 PM
Sunday, Nov. 3	Rehearsal	EPC Fellowship Hall	1:30 – 4:00 PM
Sunday, Nov. 10	Rehearsal	EPC Fellowship Hall	1:30 – 4:00 PM
Sunday, Nov. 24	Concert	St. Paul's Lutheran Church 25 West Springettsbury Ave., York 17403	4:00 PM (1:00 PM to 6:00 PM)
Saturday, Jan. 4	Auditions for spring music	EPC Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall	9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Sunday, Jan. 5	Rehearsal	EPC Fellowship Hall	1:30 – 4:00 PM
Sunday, Jan. 12	Rehearsal	EPC Fellowship Hall	1:30 – 4:00 PM
Sunday, Jan. 19	Rehearsal	EPC Fellowship Hall	1:30 – 4:00 PM
Sunday, Jan. 26	Rehearsal	EPC Fellowship Hall	1:30 – 4:00 PM
Sunday, Feb. 2	Rehearsal	EPC Fellowship Hall	1:30 – 4:00 PM
Sunday, Feb. 9	Rehearsal	EPC Fellowship Hall	1:30 – 4:00 PM
Sunday, Feb. 16	Performance	Eastminster Presbyterian Church 311 Haines Rd., York, PA 17402	7:00 PM*
Sunday, March 29	Performance	TBD	7:00 PM*
Sunday, April 19	Performance	TBD	7:00 PM*
Sunday, May 10	Performance and Senior Recognition	TBD	7:00 PM*
Saturday, May 30	JR/SR Choir Rehearsal for Carnegie Hall	Zion UMC, 1030 Carlisle Rd, York 17404	Time TBD
Sunday, May 31	Season Finale Concert	Appell Center for the Performing Arts 50 North George St, York 17401	6:30 PM (3:00 to 8:30 PM)
June 26, 27, 28	Carnegie Hall – Choirs of America Nationals for Top Choirs		

* Concert report time will be approximately 4 PM

Concorde auditions will be held Sunday, September 29, 4:00 PM

Concorde rehearsals will be held 4:00 to 4:45 PM following each scheduled Sunday rehearsal.