

What: [WSMA State Honors Choir Auditions](#)

When/Where (specific audition times are unknown at registration, you can request early or late appointments and pick your site when you register):

February 7th (same day as Destination De Pere: Let's Jam): Appleton North High School, UWEC, Middleton High School, Waukesha HS

February 14th: Milwaukee Rufus King High School, LaCrosse Central HS, UWSP

What are the Audition Requirements?

- A. Sing a current WSMA Class A or Class B Solo from the 1111, 1121, 1211, or 1221 lists. (No Musical Theater Solos). Accompaniment can be prerecorded or live. NO A CAPPELLA singing.
- B. Aural Skills: students will be asked to sing back three different five-note patterns to test your aural abilities.
- C. Sight Reading: students will sight-read two excerpts during their audition. Neutral or solfège syllables may be used. You should be able to sight read in 4/4 meter and 6/8 meter. (Our Level 3 is a good place to practice).
 - a. The Sight Reading example will be in a different key (probably not C) so you should also be able to identify doh in all keys.

How do I prepare?

WSMA suggests the following:

1. Practice Slowly
2. Practice Often
3. Perform Often

WSMA suggests the following for practicing Sight Reading:

1. Practice every week - sight reading is a skill that needs practice
2. When you first look at the exercise use STARS
 - a. S - Sharps or Flats in the key signature (where is doh?)
 - b. T - Time signature and tempo markings
 - c. A - Accidentals and articulations
 - d. R - Rhythms (isolate tricky rhythms and quick study those)
 - e. S - Signs (dynamics, repeats, etc.)

Mrs. Cummings suggests this:

The Audition is meant to be hard. It is meant to be a challenge. How do you handle the challenge? Do you freak out and freeze, or are you able to maintain your poise and "get back on the horse". That is what they are checking on - not that you sing everything perfectly or that you nail every rhythm in the sight reading - but instead, how do you handle a high pressure situation when you must perform.

Ready to Register? You will need our school code: 10186

Click [HERE](#) and be ready to pay your \$27 registration fee!