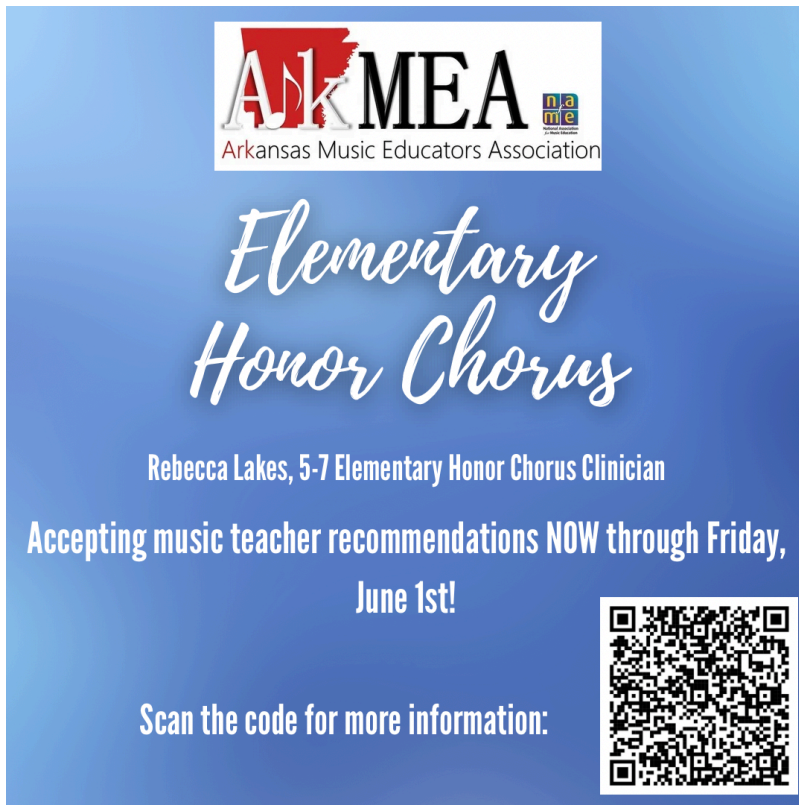


2025 Arkansas Music Educators Association (ArkMEA) Elementary Honor Choir Information Packet



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When:

Elementary: Tuesday, July 29th, 2025

Where:

Rehearsal location:

Mosaic Templars Cultural Center
501 W. 9th Street
Little Rock, AR 72201

Concert location:

The Cathedral of Saint Andrew

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Required items by June 1, 2025:

1. [Recommendation link](#)
2. \$65 Payment ([payment link](#))

Required items by rehearsal on July 29, 2025:

1. [Notarized waiver form](#) (there will be a notary on-site to use if needed for \$10)
2. Music must be learned prior to 1st rehearsal.

[PRACTICE MATERIALS](#) (sheet music will be mailed to students)

5-7th Grade Honor Chorus Event Schedule

Tuesday, July 29, 2025	
9:00-9:30 a.m.	Registration @ Mosaic Templars Cultural Center
9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Rehearsal
12:00 - 1:00 p.m.	LUNCH (on site)
1:00 - 2:15 p.m.	Rehearsal
2:15 - 2:25 p.m.	Change into concert shirt
2:30-3:20 p.m.	ArkMEA Folk Dance & Game Hour (open to teachers, families, and students)
3:30 - 4:15 p.m.	Final Rehearsal
3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.	Walk to Cathedral of Saint Andrews
4:30-5:30 p.m.	Dress Rehearsal @ Cathedral of Saint Andrews
5:45 p.m.	In place for concert
6:00 p.m.	5-7th Grade Honor Chorus Concert @ Cathedral of Saint Andrews

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**Rebecca Lakes, Children's Chorus of San Antonio
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Antonio, TX**

5-7th Grade Honor Chorus Clinician



Rebecca Lakes is a 24-year veteran of elementary music and middle school choir in public schools in San Antonio, TX. Rebecca served for 7 years as the Lead Elementary Music Coordinator in NEISD. She is the Preparatory and Prelude Choirs Director for the Children's Choir of San Antonio and currently teaches middle school choir at Eisenhower Middle School in NEISD. Rebecca teaches Kodály pedagogy and materials for the Midwestern University Kodály Teacher Institute in Wichita Falls, TX and the Kodály Music Institute in Boston, MA in the summers. Rebecca is a frequent clinician across the US,

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including presenting at the TMEA and OAKE conferences for 2025. Rebecca also serves on OAKE's Equity Committee and as the Chair of the Educating the Teacher of Teachers committee.

5th-7th Treble Honor Chorus Recommendation

This is a teacher-recommended (non-auditioned) ensemble for treble singers who are ENTERING grades 5-7.

Recommendation Window: April 1 - June 1, 2025

Recommendation applications must be submitted by June 1, 2025. [Recommendation application](#)

Participation Fees

Students selected for the choir will pay a participation fee of \$65. Parents of selected students or schools can pay the participation fee online ([payment link](#))

The participation fee covers the cost of the sheet music, practice files (provided at arkmea.org [soon], lunch for students, the concert t-shirt, and clinician/accompanist/facility fees.

To recommend a student, click the link below. You will fill out a form and will pay the participation fee on the ArkMEA website (arkmea.org). Teachers should register students ([recommendation link](#)), but anyone can pay the participation fee via the payment link ([payment link](#)) two separate links).

There is no limit on the number of students any particular school can recommend. We do ask that you split your students evenly on part 1 or part 2 for balancing purposes.

You may start your registration and pay later. We will not be accepting school checks or other forms of non-digital payment this year. A card must be used for the participation fee.

Recommendation Window: April 1 – June 1, 2025

Recommendation applications must be submitted by June 1, 2025.

[Recommendation application](#)

[Payment Link](#)

Frequently Asked Questions

What does the participation fee cover?

- a. *The participation fee is \$65. It will include sheet music (mailed), practice files, t-shirt (given the day of the event), lunch during the event, facility fees, and clinician/accompanist fees.*

Who can participate?

- a. *Students entering 5th, 6th, or 7th grade with unchanged voices.*

How many students can I recommend?

- a. *There is not a limit on the number of students any particular school can recommend. We do ask that you split your students evenly on part 1 or part 2 for balancing purposes.*

Should students know the music prior to rehearsal?

- b. *All singers **must** know their music prior to the first rehearsal on Tuesday, July 29th. Students will receive the sheet music packet via the mailing address provided.*

When do the choirs rehearse?

- a. *All rehearsals will take place during the day on Tuesday, July 29th.*

When is the performance?

- a. *5th-7th grade Elementary Honor Chorus will perform on Tuesday, July 29th at The Cathedral of Saint Andrew. Time is 6 p.m.*

What is the concert attire?

- a. *Concert attire is the honor chorus t-shirt and jeans, khakis, or other bottoms. Shirts will be received the day of the event..*

Where are the rehearsals located?

- a. *The conference will take place in Little Rock. Elementary Honor Chorus rehearsals will not be on site with the conference, but will be nearby at The Mosaic Templars Cultural Center in Downtown Little Rock. The performance will be nearby at The Cathedral of Saint Andrew. Students who pay the participation fee will receive a detailed information packet and itinerary later in May/June. Sheet music will be mailed to the address provided.*

Can a singer participate in the concert if they are unable to attend the rehearsals?

- c. *Singers will not be able to perform in the concert without being present at the rehearsals throughout the day.*