



Missouri Choral Directors Association

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Dear 5th and 6th Grade Singer and Family,

Congratulations on being selected for the MCDA Honor Choir! I'm very excited that you will have the opportunity to work with other fine singers from around Missouri. Your director for the day will be Mrs. Marianna Parnas-Simpson from Texas. She is widely recognized for her fine music work.

Please read all information carefully. Your director must send all correctly completed forms with one check for all of his/her singers. Postmark deadline is May 8th.

The MCDA 5th & 6th Honor Choir will be held in Jefferson City on **Wednesday, July 22, 2009**, beginning with registration at the First United Methodist Church. Our concert will be across the street at the First Baptist Church where we will have an opportunity to practice part of the day. Chaperones must verify information at registration and stay for announcements.

You must fully prepare and memorize all music before the rehearsal in Jefferson City. Be sure to learn your **assigned part** and the **middle part** for "Oi u gayu pŕi Dunayu" and "This Little Light of Mine" if you are listed as **SM or AM**. Your director can help you order music and copy the rehearsal CD. Bring your music, a pencil and a bottle of water to the rehearsal.

PLANS FOR THE DAY: Meet at First United Methodist Church, 201 Monroe, (corner of Monroe and Capitol). Use the parking garage on Capitol Avenue between Madison and Monroe Streets. Do not park in the reserved places for the church parking lot. Enter the door facing Monroe Street.

8:00 a.m.	Registration Begins - chaperones must check in with singers
8:45 - 10:15 a.m.	Announcements, Warmup and Rehearsal at First United Methodist Church
10:15 a.m.	Break
10:30 - 11:30 a.m.	Rehearsal at First United Methodist Church
11:30 a.m.	Break and Lunch - provided on site
12:15 - 1:15 p.m.	Rehearsal at First Baptist Church across the street (concert location)
1:30 - 2:30 p.m.	Rehearsal back at First United Methodist Church
2:30 p.m.	Break
2:45 - 4:00 p.m.	Closed Rehearsal at First United Methodist Church
4:00 p.m.	Change into Concert Clothes - wear honor choir T-shirts (provided that day) with black pants or skirt, black socks or nylons with black shoes
4:30 p.m.	Lineup in concert formation, final warmup
5:00 p.m.	Concert - free admission

The Capitol Plaza Hotel has a block of rooms for \$67 per night if you wish to stay in Jefferson City Tuesday or Wednesday night. Please make reservations at 1-800-338-8088 by July 1st and mention that you are with the Missouri Choral Directors. I am also sending a list of restaurants and suggested activities if you want to visit the city. Your director may contact me if you have other questions or concerns.

I look forward to a great day of making beautiful music!

"Sing"-cerely

Tresa Jo Wilson, 5th & 6th Honor Choir Coordinator