

2025-26 MTVA Middle School Honors Choir Information

September 25	Registration deadline and payment
October 2 (postmarked by)	Payment deadline
October 23	Auditions submission deadline (via email)
November 3-14	Adjudication
November 17	Audition results released
February 5	Honors Choir event day Location: Belle Aire Baptist Church 1307 N Rutherford Blvd, Murfreesboro, TN 37130
February 12	Snow date

Clinician: Tyler Merideth

Accompanist: Mary Braschler

Repertoire: TBD

Audition pieces:

Part 1: Unaccompanied Exercise: "Dona Nobis" (arr. on MTVA website)

(Each voice part will audition in a specific key.)

Soprano:	Key of Ab (starting pitch second space treble clef Ab)
Alto:	Key of D (starting pitch D above middle C)
Tenor:	Key of A (starting pitch A just below middle C)
Bass:	Key of D (starting pitch third line bass staff D)

Part 2: Accompanied Piece: "Lead me, Lord" S.S. Wesley (arr. on MTVA website)

Audition Fee: \$6.00 per student

Mail invoice and payment to **MTVA P.O. Box 332454 Murfreesboro, TN 37133**

If this is your first event with MTVA, you will also need to pay the school activity fee (\$50)

Please include your printed registration invoice with your check when mailing payment.

MTVA Middle School Honors Choir Frequently Asked Questions

FAQ

Who is eligible to audition? *6th, 7th, and 8th graders may audition. If 6th-grade students audition for the Middle School Honor Choir, they may **not** audition for the Elementary Honor Choir. All directors must be members in good standing of the local, state, and national organizations. Students may audition for more than one voice part. They will be placed in the part where they received the higher rating.*

Where will I find audition information and procedures? *Audition information will be posted on the MTVA website and emailed directly to registered directors.*

How will I know if I am an audition judge? *The chairperson will contact you directly.*

If I have students selected for the Honors Choir, where will I find the repertoire? *A repertoire list will be compiled, emailed to directors, and posted on the MTVA website. Each director is responsible for ensuring each of their students has each piece of music. JW Pepper will have a packet put together and ready for order. Photocopied music is not allowed at MTVA events.*

Are students responsible for knowing the music when they get to the Honors Choir event? *Yes. It is the director's responsibility to ensure students know the music **BEFORE** arriving at the event.*

If I have students selected, do I need to attend the event as well? *Yes. Directors with students in the event are expected to be in attendance for the entire day of the event.*

How students are scored:

Pitch Accuracy (50)

Clear, consistent, no scooping, sharpening, flattening, correct key

Head Register (50)

Head register and moving between registers smoothly

Tone Quality (50)

Open, clear, confident sound

Diction (50)

Clear consonants, correct vowel production, proper pronunciation

Phrasing (50)

Unbroken phrases, rhythmic accuracy

Musicality (50)