

## WV All-State Chorus

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Dear Colleagues,

Greetings and welcome, I am excited for this new school year. The West Virginia All-State Choir is preparing for another fantastic school year. For all new teachers, I encourage you to join the Vocal Music Association and join us for the fantastic experience of the West Virginia Music Educators conference and apply to audition students for the All-State Chorus. You will be able to find all of the information on our website located at <u>www.wvvma.com</u> Please be sure to check out all of the drop down menu items. There is also hotel information on our website. It is important to reserve rooms ASAP once the reserve blocks are released. Also, if you are a new teacher and would like to know who your regional chairperson is, go to the choral directory and click on schools by region.

For all new and returning teachers, please remember:

- 1. <u>We our moving to digital applications this year for school allotment and student applications</u>.
- 2. The school allotment application deadline is <u>September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024</u>. Allotments will be announced no later than <u>November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024</u>.
- 3. The student application deadline is **December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024**.
- 4. <u>No personal checks</u>. Your check must be from a booster organization or your school.
- 5. Make all checks payable to: <u>West Virginia All-State Chorus</u> and mail it to the address *on this letter.*
- 6. <u>No late applications will be accepted.</u>
- 7. Audition dates are the week of January  $27^{\text{th}} 31^{\text{st}}$ .
- 8. Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup> Student Release Form Deadline (via email or postmarked).
- 9. The conference will run from <u>March  $6^{th} 8^{th}$ </u> in Charleston, WV.
- 10. Email me if you have a student who is interested in auditioning as an accompanist.
- 11. Be sure to inform your treasurer/book keeper, etc. of the **address for payments** every 2 years this changes and we have to be sure they make the corrections!

This year Jake Runestad will be our guest conductor. Repertoire, conductor bio and music notes, forms, and audition schedule will all be posted on <u>www.wvvma.com</u> under the All State Chorus tab. If you have any questions, feel free to ask and I am more than happy to help.

Keep singing and inspiring singers!

Charles & Wallace

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"He who sings scares away his woes" — Miguel de Cervantes