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Dear PMEA District 1 Director,

It is my pleasure to serve as host for the PMEA District 1 Accompanist Auditions on Saturday, November 3rd, 2018.

Please note the following items in preparation for your student's audition:

1. The Director Registration Form must be completed and returned to Ethan LaPlaca no later than **Friday, October 19th, 2018**. This form may be completed by any Director (band, chorus, orchestra, etc.) within the auditioning student's building (not district). The sponsoring Director must be a PMEA member. Directors should attach a copy of their current PMEA membership card to their registration form.
2. Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 3rd, 2018, in the high school main lobby (entrance C-20, located on Horsman Drive). Students should arrive no later than thirty minutes prior to their audition time. Students must be under the supervision of their sponsoring PMEA Director at all times while on campus.
3. Attendees may park in the high school's South Lot (located in front of the Fine Arts Theatre) or in visitor parking underneath the Skywalk.
4. The cost to an auditioning student is \$5, due at the time of registration. Checks should be made out to PMEA.
5. Auditions will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the high school Auditorium and continue in approximately fifteen-minute intervals until all auditions are complete. The audition instrument is a Steinway Model B.
6. Directors will be notified via email of audition results.
7. Please read and review the attached guidelines and procedures carefully in advance of the audition.
8. Auditioning students must have an original copy of the score in their possession, though they may play from a photocopy.
9. The 2018 audition piece is "And He Shall Purify" from *Messiah* (G.F. Handel).
[http://ks4.imslp.info/files/imglnks/usimg/8/80/IMSLP10589-02.And_He_Shall_Purify_\(mesias_haendel\)_la_gloria_del_se%C3%B1or.pdf](http://ks4.imslp.info/files/imglnks/usimg/8/80/IMSLP10589-02.And_He_Shall_Purify_(mesias_haendel)_la_gloria_del_se%C3%B1or.pdf)
10. Students should be prepared to play open score on both choral audition pieces for District Chorus Auditions. Students will be asked to play up to two vocal lines on two staves in one or more of the following combinations: S/A, T/B, S/T, A/B, etc. Please refer to the District Chorus audition procedures for the correct music.

If you have any further questions in advance of the audition, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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