Joliet Choir Contest

Contest details

Student guides: Each choir will have an student guide from Joliet West High School. The student guide will be able to lead you and your students to the various locations, make sure that you are aware of scheduling, and will introduce your group and literature to the judges. When you arrive, your guides will meet you at the door and ensure you are able to find whatever you and your students need.

Homeroom: Each choir will have their own homeroom in order to store coats and bags. The homeroom will remain locked with security personnel in the hall. Students will have access when requested.

Attire/Music usage: While it is not required, it is recommended to perform in concert attire. Students may perform with music in hand or memorized. Should you wish to change out of concert attire after performing, you are welcome to leave clothing in your homeroom.

Arrival: The student drop off point will be at entrance #5 on the north side of the building. Proceeding west on Glenwood Avenue from Larkin Avenue, busses should turn left (south) at the fourth driveway (near the tennis courts). The busses will follow around the building to entrance #5. (See attached directions) There may be a basketball event at the same time, so busses may also park in the green area.

Lunch: Concessions will be provided for the students and audience in the cafeteria. Concessions will include breakfast items in the morning and lunch items like pizza and hot dogs, as well as snacks and water. Concessions will be running for an extended amount of time to accommodate students being able to observe as many choirs as possible.

Audience: Should parents or classmates wish to attend, they are welcome, there is no cost for observers.

Performance times: Each group will have a 15 minute warm up period in the choir room, 15 minutes to move onto stage, perform, and clear stage. After performing, each group will receive 20 minutes with one of the esteemed adjudicators. Performers are invited, and highly encouraged to observe each of the performing choirs.

Awards: Each group will send a designated nominee to accept their award. Each group will receive a plaque with a designation of Superior, Excellent, or Participant. Awards will also be given for most outstanding soprano, alto, tenor, and bass sections. The final award will be the championship trophy presented to the overall highest scoring group.

Scores: Please have two original copies of your scores with the measures numbered for the judges. We follow the same authenticity of score standards that IHSA uses, meaning if you use public domain, please list the download link, photocopies are allowable only in an emergency, such as out of print or back ordered music.