



# Alabama Vocal Association

**All-State Show Choir (ASSC)** is a showcase performance consisting of approximately 60 students who are selected from a vocal and dance audition. The show choir rehearses with a vocal coach and choreographer and performs their show at the conclusion of the ASSC festival.

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## *Parent Information for* **All-State Show Choir**

### **1 Eligibility**

1. Students who audition for All-State Show Choir (ASSC) must be in grades 9-12.
2. Students are not required to be a member of a school show choir to audition for ASSC.
3. Students who were selected for the previous year's All-State Choir or ASSC and did not attend, or who were dismissed from the previous year's All-State Choir or ASSC, are not eligible to audition for ASSC. All absences are reviewed by the AVA Board. Documentation must be submitted to the AVA Executive Secretary within ten days of that year's festival (doctor's excuse, funeral program, etc...)

### **2 Music and Preparation for the Audition**

1. Each student must have an original copy of each piece of music with measures numbered. No photocopies are allowed.
2. Students are responsible for knowing their entire voice part in all of the selections.
3. Music does not have to be memorized. Students may use their music during the audition.
4. Students will sing with the accompaniment track while auditioning.
5. ASSC practice recordings are available for students to learn their music. They are optional, and not officially endorsed by AVA, but can serve as a rehearsal aid to supplement the time the director spends teaching the music.
6. Students must be prepared to sing a cappella selections without accompaniment. The adjudicator may elect to have other parts or accompaniment interludes played when those parts are crucial to hearing entrances.
7. Students will have a required dance portion for the audition.

### **3 The Audition**

1. Each student must submit the **All-State Show Choir Adjudication Form F3.2** by the deadline. The form must be signed by parent and student, after reading **Parent Information for All State Show Choir**.
2. Students must have a complete, original set of music with measures numbered for the audition. No photocopies are allowed.
3. A student should wear modest rehearsal attire suitable for movement for the audition. Dance shoes are not required, but are appropriate.
4. The procedure for All-State Show Choir auditions will be sent to directors prior to auditions.

## **4 All-State Show Choir Festival**

1. Directors must accompany students to the ASSC Festival.
2. Each student must bring a complete set of original music with measures numbered and a pencil to each rehearsal. Music must be memorized for the festival. Photocopied music in rehearsals is not allowed.
3. Students must wear name tags in each rehearsal, displayed prominently so the choreographer can read each name.
4. Attendance is taken at each rehearsal and names of students who are absent are reported to the AVA Board. If a student is late for two rehearsals, he/she will be removed from the choir. Absence from a rehearsal or performance or removal due to disciplinary actions will result in disqualification from this and the following year's ASSC festival.
5. ASSC rehearsals are long and physically grueling. Students should:
  - Wear modest, comfortable clothing.
  - Bring comfortable shoes appropriate for dancing.
  - Eat and sleep well to maintain energy needed for long rehearsals.
  - Bring a water bottle.
  - Bring black pants and shoes for the performance.
6. Students will be given an ASSC t-shirt for the concert. The shirts will be tucked in for the concert, so pants need to accommodate this. Detailed information about attire will be sent to the directors.

## **5 All-State Festival Performance**

The All-State Show Choir will perform at the conclusion of the ASSC festival.