

# NEVADA ACDA MIDDLE SCHOOL ALL STATE CHOIR 2024

## INFORMATION & PAPERWORK

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### Pages 2-3 Information Letter

- How to become an ACDA Member
- Practice recordings of music can be accessed through the NVACDA website: <https://www.nvacda.com>
- Co-Chairs - Heather Scobie ([scobihh@nv.ccsd.net](mailto:scobihh@nv.ccsd.net)), Athena Mertes ([mertear@nv.ccsd.net](mailto:mertear@nv.ccsd.net)), Darrell Crowther ([darrell.crowther@washoeschools.net](mailto:darrell.crowther@washoeschools.net))

### Page 4 Timeline – Hotel Information – Transportation Information

- All due dates
- Hotel information is for traveling directors, students and chaperones only
- Director makes all hotel arrangements for themselves, participating students and Event Chaperones, and sends in rooming lists host hotel

### Page 5 Middle School All-State Choir Registration Form for Students (online registration)

- Nomination via Google Form: [NV ACDA Middle School All-State Nomination Form](#) by **January 19, 2023**
- Payment submitted by online (credit card processing fee) or if needed by school check
- Credit card payment – please email David Sonnichsen ([sonnidg@nv.ccsd.net](mailto:sonnidg@nv.ccsd.net))
- \$55 participation fee per student

### Page 6 Code of Conduct – Attendance Policy Form for Students

- One Code of Conduct Form per participant
- Please copy, hand out to students, collect, and upload via Google Form by **February 9, 2024**

### Page 7 Media Release Form

- One Media Release Form per participant
- Please copy, hand out to students, collect, and upload via Google Form by **February 9, 2024**

### Page 8 Event Chaperone Form

- One Event Chaperone Form per group/school ONLY
- Upload via Google Form by **February 9, 2024**

### Page 9 NV ACDA MS All-State Choir & Conference Schedule

- Rehearsal Location: UNLV Ham Hall & UNLV Beam Hall
- Performance Location: UNLV Ham Hall

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### Teacher Registration – Online Attention (*No paperwork is included in this packet*)

- Teachers register online - \$40
  - o All teachers must register and pay fees to have your students participate in the NVACDA MS All-State Choir
- Online payments can be paid on the NVACDA Website: <https://www.nvacda.com>

The ACDA Nevada Middle School All-State Choir and Conference is scheduled for April 18 -19, 2024 in Las Vegas, Nevada on the campus of UNLV. NV ACDA will include choir students from all/any Nevada middle schools. In this packet you will find the necessary forms and information needed to include your students in this year's Middle School All-State Choir. We look forward to hearing from you and working with your students!

To have your students participate, you must first become a current and up-to-date member or already be a member of ACDA. Once you have become a member of ACDA, simply keep your membership up to date by paying your membership dues every year. You can become a member and be eligible to have your students participate in the Middle School All State Choir by going to the NVACDA website: <https://www.nvacda.com>.

**There is no audition process for this choir. ACDA is requesting directors to nominate / select no more the 2 sopranos, 2 altos, 4 tenors and 4 basses that represent the BEST from your choir program.** By BEST we are asking for the best-behaved, trustworthy, outstanding, and talented citizens of the school and of your choir program. If you do not have 12 students to nominate, please nominate as many as you can up to 12 students, but no more than the 4 total girls or the 8 total boys as requested. *\*\*If any participating students are not traveling as a group from their school, their parents must be named as their Event Chaperone and are responsible for all arrangements, transportation and supervision at all breaks, meals, rehearsals, and events.* Here is the nomination process:

1. Please check with all singers and chaperones that they fit the NVACDA All State requirements. (Behavior expectations, rehearsal availability, etc.)
2. Fill out Teacher Nomination google form, [NV ACDA Middle School All-State Nomination Form](#) no later than **January 19, 2024**
3. Once the nomination form is submitted the director will need to visit the NVACDA website to register and pay for student and teacher fees. <https://www.nvacda.com>
4. Payments and All-State forms (Code of Conduct/Attendance, Media Release & Chaperone) should be uploaded into the following google form no later than **February 9, 2024**. [NV ACDA Middle School Forms](#)
5. An Event Chaperone must be selected – we suggest that this Event Chaperone be a choir parent who is willing and able to attend all events with your students so that you, their director, are available to attend the interest sessions at the NVACDA All-State conference if present. *\*\*There are no fees for non-director Event Chaperones, but they must still register and receive a name badge.*

6. Hotel Arrangements for traveling directors, students, and event chaperones ONLY: Directors must make their own hotel reservations and arrangements for themselves, participating students and Event Chaperones. **\*\*Rooming lists and payment must be sent to the conference hotel by Monday, March 4, 2024.**
7. Once ALL fees and forms have been submitted for your participating students, you will receive a link for music to be performed and any rehearsal notes in preparation for the performance via google drive. Real copies of music will be distributed to students at the first rehearsal. **Practice tracks will be accessible through the NVACDA website: <https://www.nvacda.com>**
8. Music must be learned and memorized upon their arrival at their first rehearsal on **Thursday, April 18, 2024.**

\*\* Any students who require overnight accommodation and have directors that cannot come to the NV ACDA All-State Conference can still participate if their parent acts as their event chaperone and always oversee their student. The director must still be a current ACDA member, complete their portion of the student nomination Form, provide parents with hotel information and work with the student to learn the music before traveling to NVACDA All-State. Parents are then responsible for all transportation to and from the All-State Conference.

Our conductor for this year's NV ACDA Middle School All-State Choir Dr. Rollo Dilworth from Temple University in Philadelphia, PA. Dilworth has conducted 43 all-state choirs at various levels (elementary, middle school, high school), and has conducted 6 regional honor choirs and 4 national honor choirs. In addition to Dr. Dilworth's many conducting accolades, he has over 150 choral compositions and arrangements published as well as authored 3 books of choral warm up exercises intended for elementary and secondary choral ensembles. We are thrilled to have him work with our singers!

To ensure all applications, forms and fees are received on time, please refer to the attached NV ACDA Middle School All-State Choir timeline. These dates will be strictly adhered to. We are very excited about this event. Feel free to contact one of us at any time with any questions you may have. We look forward to seeing you in April!

Musically,

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## **Nevada Middle School All-State Choir Timeline**

**December 2023:** Information packets emailed out to directors – also uploaded on the website

\* Packets include:

- 1) Greeting letter with application information
- 2) Timeline of due dates
- 3) Nomination form
- 4) Forms attached to this email
- 5) Hotel Information – available on website use password: NVAS2023
- 6) Director / Chaperone Hotel Information Form – available on website
- 7) Tentative Schedule for Middle School All-State rehearsals / concert

**January 19, 2024:** Deadline for upload of student nominations and fees for participating students

\* 2 sopranos, 2 altos, 4 tenors, 4 basses

\* Directors must be current and up to date members of ACDA

**February 9, 2024:** Deadline for Student Paperwork & Fees and Teacher registration

\* Please upload all paperwork and fees at this time:

- 1) Online Teacher Registration - <https://www.nvacda.com>
- 2) Online Student Required paperwork - attached to this email
- 3) Payment Is Due

\* This year's ensemble will be capped first come first serve.

**March 4, 2024:** Hotel Rooming Lists and Payment deadline date

\*\*Please reserve the number of needed rooms as soon as possible.

\*\* Rooming lists and payment must be sent to the host hotel.

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### **Hotel Information**

Please be sure to book your rooms ASAP. NVACDA has secured a room block at a discounted rate at Sunset Station Casino Hotel. Directors will need to book rooms for students, chaperones, and themselves as soon as possible and no later than, Feb. 16, 2024. ***ALL ROOMING LISTS AND PAYMENTS MUST BE SENT TO SUNSET STATION CASINO BY MARCH 4, 2024.*** Please check the website for all hotel information. Use the passcode: NVAS2024 to access hotel information on the website.

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### **Transportation**

Directors are to make ALL transportation arrangements for the NVACDA All-State Conference. If traveling by charter bus, directors may want to make arrangements to travel with high school feeders or other middle schools.

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# 2024 Middle School All-State Choir Schedule

University of Nevada Las Vegas

Thursday, April 18 – Friday, April 19, 2024

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**\*\*Times are subject to change\*\***

## **Thursday – April 18, 2024**

7:30 am – 7:50 am - Check in  
8:00 am - 12:30 pm - Rehearsal  
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm - Lunch Break (with Event Chaperone)  
1:30 pm – 5:00 pm - Rehearsal

## **Friday – April 19, 2024**

7:30 am – 8:00 pm - Check in  
8:00 am -12:00 pm - Rehearsal  
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm - Lunch Break (with Event Chaperone)  
1:30 pm – 5:00 pm - Rehearsal  
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm - Dinner Break (with Event Chaperone)  
6:00 pm - Check in – Green Room  
6:30 pm - MS All-State Choir & HS All-State Choir Concert