

# **BALLARD CHOIRS PLACEMENT INFORMATION**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN AUDITIONING FOR THE  
2019-2020 BALLARD HIGH SCHOOL CHOIRS.

NEXT YEAR IS SURE TO BE AN EXCITING YEAR, WITH BOTH  
ADVANCED CHORALE AND CONCERT CHOIR TRAVELING ON  
CHOIR TOUR TO NEW YORK CITY!

## **PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING STEPS:**

1. Read through this audition information packet and ask for clarification if needed.
2. Prepare for your placement audition by practicing the vocal exercises.
3. Film your video placement audition! Do your best and have fun.
4. Submit your choir placement audition video to Schoology by **Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**.
5. Fill out the online Audition Information Sheet with the following link (that is also accessible via Schoology):  
[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=WNEx1HRgMkiHg1Hqb23SJ17PqAdvDERGqrR3c4F\\_CkpURUhLNjk3WjhCVVhPQzYzUEZDQINPOVRXSi4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=WNEx1HRgMkiHg1Hqb23SJ17PqAdvDERGqrR3c4F_CkpURUhLNjk3WjhCVVhPQzYzUEZDQINPOVRXSi4u)

## **VOCAL EXERCISES**

*On the attached pages, choose the soprano, alto, tenor, or bass page to determine which key you should use for the vocal exercises below.*

- **Major Scale:** Sing do-re-mi-fa-so-la-ti-do both ascending and descending.
- **Chromatic Scale:** Sing ascending do-di-re-ri-mi-fa-fi-so-si-la-li-ti-do, and descending do-ti-te-la-le-so-se-fa-mi-me-re-ra-do.
- **America the Beautiful:** Sing with classical tone quality, as printed in this packet.
- **Sight-Reading:** There will also be an 8-measure excerpt. You are encouraged to perform it on solfège syllables, but may use a neutral syllable such as loo.

## **ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS**

- **Team Player:** flexible in voice and character, willing to take direction
- **Committed Ensemble Member:** willing to make choir a priority by attending rehearsals and performances regularly
- **Musicianship:** strong, independent singer who is also sensitive to the ensemble needs and is able to create a unified sound

# Soprano

## Major Scale

$\text{J}=72$

do re mi fa so la ti do do ti la so fa mi re do

## Chromatic Scale

1

do di re ri mi fa fi so si la li ti do

do ti te la le so se fa mi me re ra do

## *America the Beautiful*

1

O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, for am - ber waves of grain, for

6

pur - ple moun - tain ma - jest - ies, a - bove the fruit - ed plain! A -

10

mer - i - cal! A - mer - i - cal! God shed his grace on thee and

14

crown thy good with bro - ther-hood from sea to shi - ning sea!

# Alto

## Major Scale

$\text{♩} = 72$

do re mi fa so la ti do do ti la so fa mi re do

## Chromatic Scale

do di re ri mi fa fi so si la li ti do

do ti te la le so se fa mi me re ra do

## *America the Beautiful*

O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, for am - ber waves of grain, for

pur - ple moun - tain ma - jest - ies, a - bove the fruit - ed plain! A -

mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee and

crown thy good with bro - ther-hood from sea to shi - ning sea!

# Tenor

Major Scale

$\text{♩} = 72$

do re mi fa so la ti do do ti la so fa mi re do

Chromatic Scale

$\text{♩} = 72$

do di re ri mi fa fi so si la li ti do  
do ti te la le so se fa mi me re ra do

*America the Beautiful*

$\text{♩} = 72$

O beau - ti-ful for spa - cious skies, for am-ber waves of grain, for  
pur - ple moun-tain ma - jest-ies, a - bove the fruit - ed plain! A -  
mer - i - cal! A - mer - i - cal! God shed his grace on thee and  
crown thy good with bro - ther-hood from sea to shi - ning sea!

# Baritone/Bass

Major Scale

$\text{J}=72$

do re mi fa so la ti do do ti la so fa mi re do

Chromatic Scale

1

8 do di re ri mi fa fi so si la li ti do

do ti te la le so se fa mi me re ra do

do di re ri mi fa fi so si la li ti do

do ti te la le so se fa mi me re ra do

*America the Beautiful*

1

6 O beau - ti-ful for spa - cious skies, for am-ber waves of grain, for

10 pur - ple moun-tain ma - jest-ies, a - bove the fruit - ed plain! A -

14 mer - i - cal! A - mer - i - cal! God shed his grace on thee and

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