SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY
School of Performing Arts

Elementary Festival Honor Choir
Audition Procedures

Recording Notes

- One Recording Per Student
- Only speaking will be to introduce the student
- You do not need to make a professional style recording. The recording just needs to be clear and understandable. Using your phone/computer is acceptable.
- You can start recordings before submitting the nomination form.

Start audition recording

The teacher reads the following:

"This is (student name). Auditioning for (alto or soprano) from (school name)."

Example:

This is Jack the Rabbit. Auditioning for alto from SDSU.

Melody Echo Patterns

- Teacher sings ***or*** plays on the piano each of the following melodic examples.
- ***Do not sing and play.***
- After each example is played or sung the student echoes (a cappella) ***using the syllable "loo".***

Exercise 1

Exercise 2

Exercise 3

Prepared Song

- Give the student the starting pitch G. **Do not play any other type of introduction.**
- The student should sing the vocal line as written. Do not alter the rhythm or the pitches.
- The student should complete the song a cappella.
- The teacher may accompany the first two measures.
- The song must be sung straight through without stopping.

Post Recording Steps

- Listen through the entire recording to make sure all elements are recorded and that everything is clear and understandable.
- Save the file with these 3 elements:
  - Student Name
  - School Name
  - Part (A or S)
  - Example: Jack Rabbit_SDSU_A

Fill Out Nomination Form

- Use this link to fill out the form: EFHC Nomination Form
- Please check the EFHC website for all deadlines.
- You can nominate up to 30 students on the same form. If you need to nominate more than 30 students or forgot a student, submit a second form.

Upload Submission

- Upload Alto submissions to the “Alto Submissions” folder
- Upload Soprano submissions to the “Soprano Submissions” folder
- When asked for a name when uploading, put the student’s name, your name, or your school’s name.
- If you need access to these folders, the link was in your confirmation email, or email andie.star@sdstate.edu to get the links.