



November 26, 2018

To: TMEA Area B Vocal Candidates, Alternates and Directors
From: Karen Kenaston-French, Audition Host
Re: TMEA All-State Area B auditions site information

Congratulations on having students selected to continue to the TMEA All-State Choir Area B Audition. The University of Texas at Arlington is pleased to host this audition and to have you visit our campus. All of the activities will take place on the west side of campus (west of Cooper). There will be a modest amount of outdoor walking between venues on campus for everyone, so please dress accordingly. I am attaching a campus map with the relevant buildings and parking areas highlighted.

Free parking is available in all lots, as well as in the West Campus Parking Garage.

Please note **each vehicle must register for an E-permit using this link:**

<https://uta.nupark.com/events/Events/Register/2ec0645f-de3f-43c8-9815-3fd7e10f63e5>

Cars that are not registered may receive a citation, so please make sure you, your students and their guests all have the link. The registration can be completed at any time, even during the event, as long as you know your license plate #. Bus parking is in lot 26, which is on West Mitchell Street behind the Wetsel Building. We suggest buses drop students off on Greek Row and Nedderman Drive, then park in the designated lot.

Check-in will take place in the Room 115, which is on the first floor of the Fine Arts Building on the Music side (south side). From Greek Row drive, walk east to the foot of the steps that go over Cooper. The Music side is on your right.

All Directors and judges: Check in will be the Room 106, which is on the first floor on the Music side (south side) of the Fine Arts Building. From Greek Row drive, walk east to the foot of the steps that go over Cooper. The Music side is on your right. Coffee and juice will be provided for you there.

Parents and guests: There are a multitude of things to do in the Arlington area if you are planning to stay for the day. We recommend that you drop off your students and return later to pick them up. If you want to be present for the selection announcement at the end of the day, see above for parking instructions. **You must register your vehicle.** The audition results will be announced in Texas Hall (see campus map linked above).

We are pleased to offer lunch by the UTA catering service. Students' box lunch (\$10) includes choice of a turkey, ham, roast beef or veggie sandwich, chips, apple, cookie and bottled water. Directors' lunch (\$13) is a buffet including choice of chicken, turkey, ham sandwiches/wraps, assorted salads, chips, dessert bars and tea or water. If you would like to purchase lunch from us, you will need to place your order through your Region Chair by December 14. If you do not wish to purchase lunch from UTA, you may bring your

own. Be aware that UTA will still be on winter break, so there will not be any open vendors on campus that day.

If you are planning to come spend the night in Arlington on Friday, there are many hotel options. Here are a few we recommend, but you can find nice hotels at various price points throughout the city:

Courtyard near I-20 and Cooper

Holiday Inn Express near I-20 and Cooper

Holiday Inn (Ballpark area, I-30) – (ask for UTA special rate)

Comfort Suites (Road to Six Flags)

Please let me know if I can do anything else to facilitate your visit to UT Arlington. We look forward to having you with us!

Sincerely,



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