

Monroe County Childrens' Showchoir

Auditions for the Monroe County Childrens' Showchoir will take place Saturday, February 7th. Grades 3-7 will audition at 12:00 noon. Grades 8-12 will audition at 2:00 p.m. Auditions will take place at Energy Arts Studio in Downtown Madisonville. The studio is located at 321 Tellico Street South.

Children will report to Energy Studio dressed in comfortable clothing. Please bring a bottle of water (or you may purchase water for \$1), bring a picture and a Prepared Song. There will be three phases to the audition so please be prepared to stay for two hours. In the first phase students will be asked to sing a prepared song. We can play cd tracks or they may sing accapella. If they do not have a song prepared they may sing a standard provided by the judges. Auditions will be closed to parents and guests. Parents can wait in a provided area with the children until it is time to enter the audition room.

In the next phase of the audition children will learn a short dance piece and then asked to perform it in groups.

The third phase is an optional phase. If your child has any other special musical skill they may present that talent to the judges. (Special dance skills, jumps, gymnastics, playing an instrument, etc.)

Children will be judged using several criteria including stage presentation, memory, vocal and dance skill. Students will be numbered and names will not be used in the audition process. An individual not involved with the judging will be registering the dancers when they come in the door.

All participants will be notified via a posted list (Monday morning, February 9) at the MACA offices and Energy Studio . You may also log on to www.energyartsstudio.com to view the list.

As with all extracurricular activities a certain amount of commitment will be expected of choir members. Please discuss this with your child.

If you have any further questions please address them to Sara Martin at 423-261-4192
skmclogger@aol.com

Audition Recommendations

1. Notify director immediately if any injury occurs during clinics or auditions.
2. Feel free to bring water bottles or drinks and a light snack for break. No cokes or sugary snacks.
3. Be respectful of others auditioning.
- 4 All audition scores are final.
5. Please do not attempt to call the Director, judges, or Monroe Area Council for the Arts staff following auditions to ask why you or your child did not make the choir. Your response will be as follows: 1) Review your score sheets 2)Scores will not be challenged unless there was an error 3)Your Score was not high enough to qualify for the choir 4) Please audition again next year.

EACH CHILD WILL RE-AUDITION EACH YEAR

Costs: Dance team costs are approximate and may be met using fundraisers and sponsors. I, in no way want finances to exclude a qualified child from being in the Monroe County Childrens' Showchoir, therefore if there are any concerns about money, please see the director

The Junior choir will wear tan split sole jazz shoes. The Senior Choir will wear tan character shoes. These will be ordered after parent meeting. Tuition to the choir will be \$25.00 a month. This may be paid monthly or in full for the year. Other costs will include costuming, warmups, and a logo'd t-shirt.
Camp: Dancers will attend camp during the summer. An estimate of camp costs will be available as soon as they become available

Other: Dancers are expected to come to practice wearing the dance t-shirt and a pair of shorts, or soft pants. No blue jeans are allowed in practice. If you have any questions about acceptable attire contact the director

I, in no way, want finances to be an issue. I must be notified about special circumstances, prior to a money deadline.

Required Paper work to Audition

- 1. Signed Parent permission slip**
- 2. Signed Waiver**
- 3. Application with attached picture**

Dear Parent,

Your child has indicated a desire to become a member of the Monroe County Childrens' Showchoir. Auditions are Saturday, February 7th at Energy Studios. Grades 3-7 at 12:00 noon. Grades 8-12 at 2:00 p.m. If selected, there are many hours of time required and many responsibilities that go along with the privledge. Please look over the enclosed material and discuss whether or not this commitment is agreeable in terms of time,money, and your families lifestyle. The Monroe County Childrens' Showchoir will be a valuable experience for anyone. Your child will represent Monroe County with many opportunities.

I have read the Showchoir information packet and give permission to my child _____ to participate in The Monroe County Childrens' Showchoir if selected.

parent signature

student signature

Please bring this permission slip to the audition on February 7.

The Monroe County Childrens' Showchoir Application
Attach a recent photo to the front left hand corner of this application

Name:

School:

Current Grade:

Full Address:

Phone Number:

Student email:

Parent/ Guardian Name:

Parent Email:

Describe your Singing/ Acting Experience:

Describe your Dance Experience:

If selected, what are your goals as a member of The Monroe County Childrens' Showchoir?

What other activities, sports, jobs, etc are you involved in or planning to be involved in during the school year?