

IDMR CHOIR COVID-19 GUIDELINES

These guidelines have been updated to provide guidance to the branches as the IDMR has moved towards the return of full choir performances. Branches may return to full choir performances in accordance with these guidelines. Prior to proceeding, branch deans, officers and members should familiarize themselves with the contents of this document.

1. LOCAL COVID-19 PREVALENCE:

- a. The local dean and/or designated officers should remain aware of the current state of Covid-19 activity according to the local, or county public health department.
- b. If the prevalence of infection poses an unacceptable threat of transmission in class, then singing should be suspended immediately until conditions are deemed safer.

2. PERFORMANCE DISCRETION AND SELF-CHECK:

- a. It is the local choir director's discretion to determine the number of members performing and the number of days to perform.
- b. All performers (singers/band members) must do a self-check prior to class. Testers must review symptoms at the time of testing with the member. If you have ANY symptoms (as listed in the COVID guidelines) you should NOT perform. It is vital that everyone be vigilant and truthful concerning any possible symptoms of infection.

3. MEMBERS WHO ARE ALLOWED TO SING:

- a. Members with a negative COVID test taken at class on the day of the performance.
- b. Members whose test has been approved and/or witnessed by choir testing staff or director.
- c. Members who DO NOT have any symptoms.

4. MEMBERS WHO ARE NOT ALLOWED TO SING:

- a. Members who are currently testing positive for COVID-19.
- b. Members who have any COVID-like symptoms as listed in the COVID Guidelines.
- c. Members who live in the home with any person who is testing positive for COVID-19. *(Any member who lives in the same household as a person who is testing positive is requested to keep their mask on for as long as there is a positive case within the home.)*

5. TESTING:

- a. All performers MUST test at the class building prior to each class that the choir will be performing with the choir director, or designee witnessing the test results.
- b. Local choir directors have discretion on whether to require choir members to wear masks while awaiting test results.
- c. The local choir director will advise the branch COVID-19 Team the names of designees who are responsible for witnessing the choir test results.
- d. All positive tests will be reported to the local COVID-19 team by the members and the choir designee.
- e. No one with symptoms will be allowed to sing regardless of test status.
- f. There shall be no honor system regarding testing. **THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE TESTING GUIDELINES!**