

All-State Auditions

LMEA high school **first round auditions** are held on the third or fourth Saturday of September. The exact date is usually determined by the difficulty of the audition pieces. A director must be a current member of LMEA in order for his/her students to participate. Students audition individually behind a screen with a taped accompanied minus their voice part. There will be four audition sites with two judges per site. When a student enters the room, he/she will tell the monitor and judges the part he/she will audition for. 2012 auditions will be held at Barbe High School on September 22. The fee is \$5.00 per student. 40 students will be selected to represent District V at the state auditions.

LMEA All-State **second round auditions** are held the second Saturday in October. A director must be a current member of LMEA in order for his/her students to participate. The site and assigned times are announced in the September *Louisiana Musician*. District V VMTO will pay the \$12.00 audition fee for those students who qualify for second round. 160 students will be selected to form the SSAATTBB choir (20 for each voice part) and 80 students to form the Womens Choir. The All-State Womens Choir performs at the LMEA State Conference on Friday and the SSAATTBB Choir on Saturday before Thanksgiving. Additional information may be found in the *LMEA Handbook*.

Louisiana-American Choral Directors Association (LA-ACDA) sponsors the Elementary, Junior High, Women's and Men's All-State Choirs in conjunction with The Louisiana Fall Vocal Conference. Auditions are conducted using tapes prepared at the school level. The May issue of *The Choral Advocate* provides guidelines for making the audition tapes, forms and deadlines for submitting the tapes, and addresses of the division chairpersons. Information is also available at www.laacda.org. You must be a member of ACDA in order for your students to participate.

