



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY
All State Choir Camp

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2021 CAMP HANDBOOK

Welcome to the 2021 Texas Tech All State Choir Camp! This Handbook includes all of the information you need to know about check-in/check-out, dress for camp, meals during the week, the music packet, Final Concert, airport shuttles, and more! Additional forms including: camp schedule, guidelines for campers, “Additional Items Form,” and two separate check-out forms are available on our website: www.ttuchoircamp.org.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU READ AND UNDERSTAND ALL OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION!

Physical Camp (Virtual Camp policies are on pg.4)

CHECK-IN	<p>Tuesday, June 15 8:30 AM– 1:30 PM ALL Choir Camp Check-in (ON and OFF-Campus Campers) – School of Music Lobby <i>**First stop = School of Music Check-in! All campers will sing a short sight-singing placement assessment during check-in.</i></p> <p>9:00 AM– 1:00 PM Residence Hall Check-in (ON-Campus Campers) – Wall/Gates Residence Hall <i>ON-Campus campers check-in FIRST at the School of Music, then check-in at the residence hall.</i></p> <p>Parking: Parking lot of Wall/Gates Residence Hall (free during check in) OR you may pay to park in the music building parking lot during check-in. <i>*Please note: the parking lot of the School of Music is a pay-to-park lot, Mon – Fri, 7:30 AM– 8:00 PM.</i></p>
DRESS	<p>Daily – casual and comfy, but decent “Beach Party” – bring sunscreen, a bathing suit, and beach towel! Talent Show Acts – costume, special outfit, etc. for your Talent Show act (<i>optional</i>) Talent Show & Awards Reception – this is our “dress up” evening: Friday, June 18. Suggested Attire: nice pants (slacks/khakis/black pants), collared shirt & tie, dresses, skirts, nice shirt with jeans, etc. Concert – Choir Camp T-shirt (provided at check-in) with denim shorts, jeans, or skirt</p>
HOUSING	<p>ON-campus students need to report to the Wall/Gates Residence Hall (see campus map) immediately AFTER Camp Check-in (First stop = School of Music for Camp Check-in!). You must complete Camp and Residence Hall Check-in before 1:30 PM on Tuesday, June 15. The first rehearsal begins at 2:00pm. Linens (sheets, towels, blankets, pillows) will NOT be provided for you. PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN. Because of the widespread use of cell phones, there are no phone lines available in the rooms.</p>
MEALS	<p>Students staying ON-campus will have all meals provided from dinner on Tuesday, June 15, through breakfast on Saturday, June 19 in the University dining facilities. There will be meal options to accommodate most food allergies, but campers must know what they can and cannot</p>

	<p>eat. Dining hall staff will be on hand to answer questions. OFF-campus students who remain on campus during scheduled meals may bring lunch, purchase a Commuter Dining card, or eat in the food court in the Student Union Building (SUB – just north of the Music Building within the same complex.)</p> <p>Please eat a full breakfast on Saturday, June 19. Our final concert is before lunch time on this day.</p>
MUSIC	<p>The All-State Audition Music Packet IS included in your camp tuition. We will have a very small number of extra packets that can be purchased at registration.</p> <p>Packet prices: Men’s - \$20; Women’s - \$20; Complete - \$25 (plus an additional amount for Small School Choir mixed music)</p>
SCHEDULE	<p>We will post the schedule details on our website: www.ttuchoircamp.org . Updates will be made as they become available. The final schedule will also be included in your Check-in packet.</p>
CHECK-OUT FORM	<p>ON-Campus Students – If you will be leaving camp at ANY TIME with anyone other than a parent or guardian (including <i>during</i> camp or at the <i>conclusion</i> of camp), we must have the included check-out form on file. The form should be completed by the parent/guardian and may be faxed or emailed to the camp office up to 24 hours prior to check-out.</p> <p>OFF-Campus Students do not need a check-out form. However, if you leave campus at any time during the scheduled blocks of rehearsals/classes, an authorized person must check you out in the camp office (Room 112). No Exceptions! Please note: This does not include meals – OFF-campus students may leave campus during scheduled meal times.</p>
FINAL CONCERT	<p>The Final Concert will be Saturday, June 19, 11:00am-12:00pm, in Hemmle Recital Hall. Parents, friends, choir directors... ALL are invited! We will also be livestreaming the concert on the TTU School of Music Youtube channel. Feel free to share this with friends and family!</p> <p>PARKING: Concert attendees may park in the R-11 lot (South of the Music Bldg, at the NE corner of 18th and Boston). There is no charge to park on Saturday, however, the lot is normally a “pay to park” lot between 7:30 AM and 8:00 PM, Monday-Friday. Cars should not be parked in areas marked “Reserved” or “Temporary” at any time, as they could be ticketed and/or towed.</p> <p>Records of the concert may be pre-purchased on the “Additional Items Form” or at the Final Concert. Activities for the camp will end at 12:00pm, at the conclusion of the concert. All CDs will be mailed after camp, they will not be available for pickup at the conclusion of camp.</p>
AIRPORT SHUTTLES	<p>If you plan to arrive at the airport and need a shuttle to campus, the “Additional Items/Shuttle Form” must be completed and returned along with the appropriate fees to the camp office no later than June 4. This form may found in the link, https://www.depts.ttu.edu/music/TTUChoirCamp/ShuttleChoir.php .</p> <p>The shuttle service is operated by TTU Choir Camp, NOT an outside entity. When several flights arrive within 30 minutes of each other, the bus or van may wait at the airport for the next flight before transporting students to campus. Despite the size-implying name of “Lubbock International” airport, the facility is not large. It is very nice and consists of one hallway with 8 gates. After deplaning, students should proceed to the baggage claim area. Each student is responsible for retrieving his/her own luggage. Our shuttle workers will be wearing Red TTU Choir Camp T-shirts and an ID name tag. They will have a list of all students scheduled for pick-up. Shuttle passes will not be necessary. Students should report to the shuttle workers and BE SURE their names have been marked-off. Each student is responsible for loading his/her own luggage. Near the conclusion of camp, a shuttle schedule with departure locations and times will be posted</p>

	<p>in both the Music Building and the residence hall. Students should carefully double check and read all information on these postings.</p> <p><i>We will make sure your camper is at the airport in time to make their flight at the end of camp. It is the student's responsibility to follow these instructions.</i> Any problems should be brought to the Camp Headquarters (Music Bldg Rm 112) as early as possible.</p>
CAMP NURSE	A registered nurse will live in the residence hall during the Texas Tech All-State Choir Camp and will be available for health care concerns at all times. All emergencies will be taken to the University Medical Center emergency room (or sick visit to a physician) for treatment unless otherwise specified. Parents/guardians will be notified in a timely manner, and will be billed for any emergency room visit, treatment, and all medications and/or prescriptions.
MONDAY EVENING ARRIVALS, JUNE 14	If travel plans require you to arrive on Monday, June 14, complete the "Additional Items/Shuttle Form" and include the \$25.00 housing fee for the extra night (meals not included). To help us ensure your safety, you must abide by the following camp rules on Sunday evening: You must remain on campus once you check in. There are several restaurants from which you can order delivery for dinner, and the Student Union Building has a food court open for breakfast. Lights out is at 11:00pm. The counselors will check-in with you at that time. Thanks in advance for adhering to these requirements!
PARKING	<p>ON-Campus: Students driving to Camp who will live in the residence halls must purchase a parking permit and will park in the Wall/Gates Residence Hall lot (see map). Please make sure you are not parking on a row that is reserved. Citations will be the responsible of the car owner.</p> <p>OFF-Campus: Students commuting to Camp may purchase a parking permit for the Wall/Gates parking lot (see campus map). Parents who drop-off/pick-up do not need a parking permit.</p> <p>Parking permits may be purchased at registration or on the "Additional Items/Shuttle Form" for \$10.00 and will allow you to park in dorm lots only (labeled "RH" on the map you will receive at registration). Be sure you know your license plate number upon registration. Lot R-11 (the lot on the South side of the Music Building) is a "pay to park" lot between 7:30 AM and 8:00 PM, Monday-Friday. The rate is \$1.50 per hour, or \$9.00 per day. There are two pay stations on the North curb. NEVER park in areas marked "Reserved" or "Temporary" in ANY lot as you could be ticketed and/or towed. Tickets or fines are the responsibility of the driver.</p>
TALENT SHOW	Plan now for our incredible TALENT SHOW! Singing, playing an instrument, dancing, and any other musical talent are welcome! Your extraordinary TTU Choir Camp Counselors will perform skits and dazzling musical acts that will amaze and inspire. Camper acts for the talent show must not exceed 3 ½ minutes. Bring your own accompaniment – downloaded to phone, Google Drive, CD, etc. or sheet music with which to perform. Talent Show auditions will take place on Wednesday evening. The Talent Show winner receives a tuition scholarship to TTU Choir Camp 2020!
MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bring a refillable water bottle with you to help you stay hydrated and to reduce our use of plastic water bottles! ● Keep a pencil with you at ALL times! ● We will provide a 3-ring binder as well as a Texas Tech drawstring backpack for your music binder, pencil, and water bottle; hole punchers will be available for your music.

Virtual Camp Policies and Best Practices

- Let your family know you are attending a virtual choir camp and ask for their support as you participate in singing and rehearsal activities.
- Consider a place where you feel most comfortable singing and participating during the sectionals, workshops, and full rehearsals -- your involvement with your voice will be essential to your learning and comprehension during the camp.
- Always have your music packet and a pencil with you during each sectional and full rehearsal!
 - Pro Tip: put your name on the front of each piece of music in your packet, and number the measures before the first sectional on Monday!
 - Keep your music in the envelope in which it arrived or punch holes (in the center of each piece!) and place it in a binder.
- Earbuds or external speakers may work best to hear your section leader and audio/video recordings clearly. If you do not have earbuds, be sure the volume level of your device is turned up and on “high.” (Check this in your device’s “settings.”)
- Rename yourself in Zoom:
 - Laptop/Desktop -- hover over your thumbnail; click the 3 little dots; choose “Rename”
 - Tablet/Phone -- click “Participants”; click on your name; choose “Rename”
- Keep your microphone muted at all times, unless called on by a teacher or counselor.
- We strongly encourage you to keep your video turned “on” during all camp activities, however we understand there may be times or you may be in a setting in which this is not possible.
- If you have a question for your section leader or counselor, raise your virtual hand (in Zoom) or write your question in the “chat.” Section Leaders will let you know the specific format for their individual sectionals.

Software that will be used to access all virtual choir camp activities:

- Google Classroom:
 - All campers will be part of ONE class in Google Classroom -- Voice Part class
- Zoom meeting: all meetings will be accessible via Zoom link or meeting ID and password
 - We recommend downloading the “Zoom desktop client” to access Zoom meetings. You can also join using a web browser or smart phone/tablet app.
 - If you have WiFi connection issues and are deleted from the Zoom meeting: click the link again and your counselor will let you back into the sectional/rehearsal.

COVID-19 POLICIES

ADDITIONAL POLICIES

1. Masks are suggested for all in-door activities, including rehearsals, electives, and concerts during camp.
2. Mask are suggested while in the common areas of the residence halls (i.e., hallways, bathrooms, and dining facilities). Mask are NOT required while in the campers dorm room.
3. If a camper, staff, or faculty member report or show signs of symptoms related to COVID-19, the symptomatic individual will be sent to an isolated room to await an examination from our Camp Nurse and a COVID-19 test. Parents will be notified immediately of the situation. Individuals who test positive or are symptomatic should be picked up as soon as possible. If campers or staff members test positive for COVID-19, Texas Tech reserves the right to cancel the remainder of the camp. Prorated Refunds will be distributed if this situation occurs.
 - a. Symptoms Include:
 - i. Fever or chills
 - ii. Cough
 - iii. Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - iv. Fatigue
 - v. Muscle or body aches
 - vi. New loss of taste or smell
 - vii. Sore throat
 - viii. Congestion or runny nose
 - ix. Nausea or vomiting
 - x. Diarrhea
4. All camp staff and campers over the age of 16 (if Pfizer vaccine is available) or 18 and older are encouraged to obtain the COVID-19 vaccine prior to camp.
5. During Check-In, campers will undergo a health screening to check for fever and answer questions related to symptoms of possible COVID-19.
6. Each morning of camp, campers will undergo a temperature check before their first class.



We look forward to a FANTASTIC TTU Choir Camp experience!