2025 CHOIR CAMP GUIDELINES

The following rules and guidelines are for the safety of ALL Choir Camp students and members of the Texas Tech University community. The Texas Tech All-State Choir Camp Coordinator, Clinicians, Section Leaders, and Staff have the discretion to drop you from the camp without refund and notify your parents and school choral director immediately for any singular violation or accumulation of violations of the following rules. Any illegal action by a camper will be reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency. The first four rules are "Zero Tolerance" offenses.

- USE OR POSSESSION of illegal drugs, alcohol, tobacco or mood changing/mind altering substances will not be permitted. Violation of this rule will result in IMMEDIATE expulsion from the camp and notification of your parents and home school director. This includes E-Cigarettes, vape pens, Juuls, etc. REGARDLESS OF THE LIQUID BEING USED.
- 2. <u>USE OR POSSESSION</u> of firearms, knives or weapons of any kind will not be permitted. Violation of this rule will result in IMMEDIATE expulsion from the camp and notification of your parents and home school director.
- 3.Neither campers nor guests are allowed to go into the rooms or floors of the opposite sex at any time; UNLESS VISITING THE NURSE ON THE FIRST FLOOR. A violation of this rule will result in IMMEDIATE expulsion from the camp and notification of your parents and home school director. NO ONE SHOULD BE ON A DIFFERENT FLOOR THAN THAT OF WHICH THEIR ROOM IS LOCATED. Texas Tech University fines anyone on an unbooked floor \$75 per infraction.
- 4. Any physical altercations are not permitted. A violation of this rule will result in IMMEDIATE expulsion from the camp and notification of your parents and home school director.
- 5. Matches, lighters, incense, candles and fireworks are not allowed at the camp at any time, regardless of their intended use.
- 6.The campus boundaries for all campers stop at the University's boundaries. Do not cross 19th Street, University Avenue, 4th Street or Indiana Avenue. For students staying on campus during camp,



Off Campus = Off Limits. This includes riding CitiBus since it goes off-campus.

- 7. On-Campus campers are not allowed to ride in cars or personal vehicles (including directors or parents) unless properly checked out through the office. Checkout form MUST be on file before camp begins. On-Campus campers may not leave the campus unless they properly check-out through the residence hall office, then must check-in upon return in the same office.
- 8. Commuting campers (OFF-Campus) must check-out in the Camp Headquarters Room 109 if leaving during classes.
- 9. Any student needing to park on campus must register his/her vehicle. This is done when you complete online registration.
- 10. EXHIBIT RESPECT FOR AUTHORITY, PROPERTY, AND EACH OTHER AT ALL TIMES.
- II. WEAR YOUR ID NAMETAG PROPERLY AT ALL TIMES. If you lose it, a new one must be obtained from Camp Headquarters M 109. There is a \$5 fee for new nametags. There will be no refunds for returned replacement tags. Duplicate use of name tags will be investigated. Your nametag is your residence hall ID for on-campus students and admission to all Camp activities, including classes, for all students. Name tags should not be altered, decorated, or 'bedazzled' in any way.
- 12. If you need to change voice parts, please notify Becky Kozinski, Assistant Camp Director, BEFORE the end of the first day of Camp. After day one we will be unable to make any further changes to sections.
- 13. ATTEND ALL SESSIONS. <u>ROLL WILL BE CHECKED</u>. It is the student's responsibility to keep track of time, including morning wake-up. In the event of illness or an accident, Off-Campus students should have a <u>PARENT</u> contact Camp Headquarters at 806-834-6836. Residence Hall students MUST check with the Nurse if not attending class.
- 14. All cell phones and other electronic devices must be turned OFF during rehearsals and class sessions.
- 15. All students must have their OWN music. <u>Write your name</u> on the front of EACH piece of music and keep it in your Choir Camp binder at all times. Hole punches will be provided.
- 16. Clothing should be worn that is in good taste and does not attract undue attention. Shoes must be worn at all times in the residence



halls, in rehearsals, and out on campus. We ask that dressy clothes are to be worn for the talent show & awards night... This is our "dress up" evening!

- 17. While waiting for a rehearsal or during free time between rehearsals, do not block hallways or stairways in the Music Building, Student Union Building, residence halls or anyplace else.
- 18. No food or drinks (except water) are allowed in ANY of the School of Music classrooms or HEMMLE at any time. Water must be in a bottle that can be sealed; no fountain drink cups are allowed in any of the classrooms. Please do not eat or drink (except water) on any of the carpeted hallways inside the School of Music.
- 19. Help keep the camp in good standing with the University by taking care of the facilities and furniture and appliances. Any student who defaces or destroys the afore-mentioned will be responsible for repair or replacement. This includes the residence hall room door peepholes.
- 20. All activities that take campers between multiple buildings will be walked to-and-from together as a group. There is no reason to be walking around campus alone, especially at night. If you need to walk between buildings, first contact your counselor for approval and assistance.
- 21. Frisbees, footballs, hacky sacks, etc. are allowed OUTSIDE only.
- 22. The use of any wheeled transport (Lime scooters, bikes, skateboards, etc.) is prohibited.
- 23. Any campers caught in the act of "over display of affection" (ODA) will be dealt with by the residence hall supervisors.
- 24. Non-campers are *NOT* allowed at any camp function or in the residence halls the only exception to this rule is our Talent Show Friday night and Final Concert Saturday afternoon.
- 25. Students staying on campus with their vehicle are not permitted to drive their vehicle without prior permission from Kara Copeland, Chandler Renshaw, Becky Kozinski,, or the Residence Hall Monitors.
- 26. Residence Hall room changes will be made ONLY through your college counselors. If a room change is desired, all four people involved in the change must be present with all keys.
- 27. Residence Hall students must wear their room keys properly around the neck at all times, even to the shower to prevent a lock-out. **Lost key replacement key is \$50. Lost meal card fee is \$25.** This MUST BE PAID IN THE FULL AMOUNT IMMEDIATELY.



- 28.ON-campus students are to go to their assigned rooms each evening according to the daily schedule. Lights out will be at 11:00 p.m. Do not order pizza after 9:30 p.m. If you do, the counselors will greatly appreciate the late-evening snack!
- 29. Running is not allowed in the residence halls.
- 30. Leave your room air conditioner vent alone to keep the system working right for everyone!
- 31. All room windows are to remain closed and free of writings, signs, etc. at all times.
- 32. Do not overcrowd the elevator.
- 33. Do not allow trash to accumulate in your room. Take it to the trash bin located on your floor often!
- 34. Any electronics that are being played loudly enough to be heard in the hall will be stored by your college counselor until the last day of Camp. Your parents will be notified of this action.
- 35. Keep the lounges neat and clean of clutter (cans, pizza boxes, trash, etc.). Anyone not cleaning up after his/her area before leaving it will be assigned community service time. Be courteous to the university cleaning staff and careful with your food and drinks.
- 36. Proper behavior is expected in the dining halls as well as on the rest of the campus. Be courteous to the workers in the dining halls. Clean up after yourself. Return trays and throw away trash. DO NOT pile up trays at the return window.

The following is general information not covered in the *Camp Handbook*.

- 37. Uniformed University Police are assigned to monitor the camp and will be watching the inside and outside of the residence halls.
- 38. Report any incident of any type of harassment to your residence hall office, your squad leader, or the camp headquarters. If a vehicle is involved, get a complete description of the car and the license plate number.
- 39. Keep your room locked at all times. Always check the knob to see if it is locked when you are leaving.



- 40. If you lose your room key or do not turn it in at the end of camp, a replacement key will cost \$50.00 (required University charge), to be paid BEFORE you leave camp.
- 41. If you lose your meal/swipe card or do not turn it in at the end of camp, a replacement card will cost \$25.00 (required University charge), to be paid BEFORE you leave camp.
- 42. Meal serving hours are posted on the Choir Camp Schedule, and at the dining hall entrance. You may go back for seconds in the dining hall.
- 43. Read the fire escape/tornado info in your residence hall.
- 44. Feel free to ask your squad leader, the residence hall office staff, or a camp faculty member if you have any questions concerning camp policies or procedures. Take ALL major problems straight to an adult staff member.

All of these rules and guidelines are for your SAFETY, and they exist to ensure that ALL campers have the very best possible TTU All-State Choir Camp experience!







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2025 CAMP HANDBOOK

Welcome to the 2025 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.depts.ttu.edu/music/TTUChoirCamp/.

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

CHECK-IN	Tuesday, June 10 8:30 AM- 1:30 PM ALL Choir Camp Check-in (ON and OFF-Campus Campers) – Band Hall **First stop = School of Music Check-in! 9:00 AM- 1:00 PM Residence Hall Check-in (On-Campus Campers) – Stangel/Murdough Residence Hall On-Campus campers check in FIRST at the School of Music, then check in at the residence hall.
	Parking: Parking lot of Stangel/Murdough Residence Hall (free during check-in) OR you may pay to park in the music building parking lot during check-in. *Please note: the parking lot of the School of Music is a pay-to-park lot, Monday-Friday, 7:30 AM- 8:00 PM.
DRESS	Daily - casual and comfy, but decent
	Talent Show Acts – costume, special outfit, etc., for your Talent Show act (optional) - auditions will be in the afternoon/early evening on Wednesday, June 11.
	Talent Show – this is our "dress up" evening: Friday, June 13.
	Concert - Choir Camp T-shirt (provided at check-in) with denim shorts, jeans, or skirt
	Make sure to check the packing list for a more detailed listing, including our theme days!
HOUSING	On-campus students need to report to the Stangel/Murdough 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 10. The first rehearsal begins at 2:00 pm. Linens (sheets, towels, blankets, pillows) will NOT be provided for you. PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN. No landlines will be available in dorm rooms.
MEALS * ON CAMPUS	Students staying on campus will have all meals provided from dinner on Tuesday, June 10, through breakfast on Saturday, June 14, in Stangel/Murdough. There will be meal

	options to accommodate most food allergies, but campers must know what they can and cannot eat. Dining hall staff will be on hand to answer questions.
MEALS * OFF CAMPUS	Off-campus students MUST remain on campus during scheduled meal times. They may bring lunch, purchase a Commuter LUNCH card, or eat in the food court in the Student Union Building (SUB – just north of the Music Building within the same complex.)
	*Students may not share this card with a friend as they are preloaded for a set number of meals.
	Please make sure to eat a full breakfast on Saturday, June 14, as our final concert is before lunch.
MUSIC	The All-State Audition Music Packet <u>IS included</u> in your camp tuition. We will have a very small number of extra packets that can be purchased at registration. Packet prices: LSC Treble & Tenor/Bass - approx. \$25 usually; LSC Complete - approx. \$35 usually; SSC Complete - approx. \$15 usually
SCHEDULE	We will post the schedule details on our website: www.depts.ttu.edu/music/TTUChoirCamp/. Updates will be made as they become available. The final schedule will also be included in your Check-in packet.
	*There will also be a QR code on your nametag that will show you any updates/changes to the schedule in real time.
CHECK-OUT FORM	On-Campus Students – If you will be leaving camp at ANY TIME with anyone other than a parent or guardian (including during camp or at the conclusion 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 before check-out.
	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 109). No Exceptions!
FINAL CONCERT	The Final Concert will be Saturday , June 14 , 11:00 am- 12:00 pm, in Hemmle Recital Hall. Parents, friends, choir directors ALL are invited! We will also be livestreaming the concert! We will post a shareable Feel free to share this with friends and family! Instead of purchasing recordings, a downloadable link will be sent to ALL parents/guardians.
	PARKING: Concert attendees may park in the R-11 lot (South of the Music Bldg, at the NE corner of 18 th 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 park in areas marked "Reserved" or "Temporary" at any time, as they are subject to ticketing/towing.
AIRPORT SHUTTLES	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 1. This form may be found at the following link, https://www.depts.ttu.edu/music/TTUChoirCamp/ShuttleChoir.php .
	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

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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 luggage. Our shuttle workers will be wearing 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. Near the conclusion of camp, a shuttle schedule with departure locations and times will be posted in both the Music Building and the residence hall. Students should carefully double-check and read all information on these postings.

We will ensure 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. Any problems should be brought to the Camp Headquarters (Music Bldg Rm 109) as early as possible.

CAMP NURSE

A registered nurse will live in the residence hall during the Texas Tech All-State Choir Camp and will always be available for health care concerns. Please send all controlled medications to the camp nurse at the beginning of camp.

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 promptly and will be billed for any emergency room visit, treatment, and all medications and/or prescriptions.

PARKING

On-Campus: Students driving to Camp who will stay in the residence hall must purchase a parking permit and park in the Stangel/Murdough Residence Hall lot (see map). Please make sure you do not park in a reserved row. Citations will be the responsibility of the car owner.

OFF-Campus: Students commuting to Camp may purchase a parking permit for the music building parking lot (see campus map). Parents who drop off/pick up do not need a parking permit. NEVER park in areas marked "Reserved" or "Temporary" in ANY lot, as you could be ticketed and/or towed. Any fines are the responsibility of the driver.

Parking passes are available online through the camp registration form through your SportsConnect account. A limited number will be available at check-in.

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. 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 Tuesday evening. The Talent Show winner receives a tuition scholarship to TTU Choir Camp 2025!

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS...

- 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.

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO AN INCREDIBLE CHOIR CAMP EXPERIENCE!



Texas Tech University All-State Choir Camp 2025 Packing List

Tuesday, June 10

Theme Day: Red and Black

Start camp off with Texas Tech pride by repping some Red and Black! Bonus squad points for TTU or previous camp shirts that are Red or Black

Evening Activity: Tour de Texas Tech

Comfortable shoes and clothes for a warm evening, ready to walk around campus

Wednesday, June 11

Theme Day: 70s

We've got Disco Fever! Dust off your corduroy, bell bottom jeans, and platform shoes! Stay groovy and far out, baby!

Evening Activity: Campers Night In Choose from a movie night in the choir room or dance party in the band hall - be ready to chill with your new choir camp friends!

Thursday, June 12

Theme Day: Squad Pride!

Wear your squad colors to earn squad points! May the best team win!

Evening Activity: SQUAD WARS!!!

Comfortable clothes and shoes that can *mayyyybe* get a little messy. Think relay races, human pyramids, whipped cream... anything is possible!

Friday, June 13

Theme Day: Minion Day!

Banana-powered and ready to go! Grab your overalls, put on your goggles, and let's make today super fun with some Minion madness!

Evening Activity: Talent Show

Let's dress up for our last evening together! Think sunday best or business casual as we cheer on our fellow campers on stage!

Saturday, June 14

Concert Day!

Wear your 2025 Choir Camp shirt with any color jeans, denim shorts, or denim skirt.

Dress comfy and ready to learn.

All theme days are suggestions.

Dressing up for theme days earns squad points, but is not required!

Other Reminders...

- ✓ Reusable water bottle
- ✓ Sunscreen
- ✓ Comfortable shoes for walking
- ✓ Chargers for personal electronics
- ✓ If staying on campus: Pillow, Linens (XL Twin) and towels; flip flops for dorm showers; PJs; personal toiletries, etc.