

## Important Information for “Battle of the Best” 2012

### CHECK-IN

- When you arrive, please unload at the **south end of the school. Look for the balloons!** **Please do not unload your students at the front door.** A host will meet you at your bus. Ensemble members are to bring instruments to their homeroom. (i.e. sax, trombone, trumpets)
- Drum sets are to be unloaded with your set at the designated area. (See information included)
- Directors will check in their show choir(s) at the check-in table located inside the southeast door. Your hands will be stamped and the director will be given 5 wrist bands to use at their discretion. You will be escorted to your homerooms by a PHHS host.
- Your student host will meet you at your homeroom ½ hour before you report to the warm up room

### HOMEROOMS

- **Please have an adult present in your homeroom at all times while your students are present. If one is not present the room will be locked and students ushered to the Auditorium, Gym or Commons area. Bouncers will be present!**
- Every choir is responsible for the condition of their room. Please do not disturb any teaching materials.
- **Note: A video projector is in many of the classrooms. Please do not let your students bring laptops or game systems and hook up to them. These are off limits to any of the students.**
- Vandalism of any kind will result in a group’s disqualification from the event.
- Lost or stolen items are not the responsibility of PHHS.

### SET INFORMATION

**Auditorium-** You may unload your set/instruments on the west side of the school at the garage doors ½ hour before your performance time. Your set must be removed as soon as your performance is done.

**Gym-** You may unload your set/instruments at the front doors of the school when you arrive. Please take your set pieces to the gym via the middle hallway between the concessions and the gym. Your set pieces can be stored in the gym until your performance. **Please note the storage is for GYM PERFORMANCES ONLY. The stage set up will be the same as last year, on the east wall.**

### BUSSES

Once busses are unloaded they will be parked at the football stadium, and the drivers will be shuttled back to the high school.

### PARKING

We have plenty of parking in the front and on the side of the school. Do not park in the circle drive in front of the high school. The front lot is for handicapped or senior citizen parking.

### ADMISSION

Admission to the day's events is \$7 for adults, \$5 for senior citizens and \$3 for students and children. This fee covers the entire competition. Everyone except for performers, band members, stage crew, directors, and accompanists must enter through the main doors of the school, pay the admission fee, and receive a hand stamp in order to be admitted to the performance areas. **The front 3 rows of the PAC and the Gym seating will be reserved for each specific show choir's parents, friends and family. This area will be vacated after each choir's performances to make available for the next choir.**

### EQUIPMENT

**Performance Venues of the Gym and the Auditorium:** piano, 16 sets of 4X8' Wenger Versalite platforms with 8", 16", 24", 32" legs, 3 cordless mics, monitors, music stands and a power source. Five cordless mics will be available in the Auditorium.

### WARM-UP

Your warm-up room will include a piano.

### STAGE CREW

No group or stage crew will be permitted on stage prior to scheduled performance.

### PERFORMANCE

- **All groups will be allowed 25 minutes total performance time.** This does not include set-up and strike of all equipment provided by PHHS.

**Your performance will be timed. We will delete 10 pts for each minute that you go over the 25 minute time allowed. The timing starts when the stage manager says "Go".**

- This year we will be offering lighting changes during your performance. Options are full lights, 75%, 50%, 25%, and blackout. If you desire any lighting changes, you may provide a person for the light booth or fill out the attached form
- A stage crew will be available to assist in set-up and strike.
- ***Please be specific in your stage set-up map.***

### ACCOMPANIMENT/ENSEMBLE

Live and taped musical accompaniment is allowed. Only those groups using live accompaniment with no more than one adult member (such as the director at the piano) will be eligible for the combo award.

## **TROPHIES/AWARDS**

Division award trophies will be given in the following four divisions:

- 5A mixed choirs 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> place, 3<sup>rd</sup> place
- 4A mixed choirs 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> place
- 1A/2A/3A mixed choirs- 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> place
- B division- 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place

Trophies for the following awards will be given at the end of the preliminary round of each venue:

Female Vocalist	Best Ballad
Male Vocalist	Best Closer
Performer of the Day	People's Choice
Best Costumes	
Best Opener	
Best Show Design	

Trophies for the following awards will be given at the end of the finals:

- Best Vocals
- Best Combo
- Best Choreography
- Best Diction
- Best Stage Crew

## **FINALS**

**Announcement of finals will be held in the Gym.** Six show choirs will qualify for the Grand Championship finals. The 4 choirs with the most points from the gym and the 2 choirs with the most points from the Auditorium will advance to the finals.

## **CONCESSIONS**

Concessions will be available from 7:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. in the commons area. A discount meal voucher will be available that can be purchased in advance. Please check the Meal Ticket information on our website. A hospitality room will be available for directors and bus drivers. **No concession food is allowed in the homerooms or any part of the performance venues.** Please help support our festival by enjoying the food provided by our show choir parents. Please do not bring any food or drink into the school that is not purchased at the school.(bottled water is excluded) Please inform family members of this rule, as it will be enforced for everyone in attendance.

## **DIRECTIONS TO PLEASANT HILL**

If coming in on I-70, go south on Hwy 7 in Blue Springs, passing under Hwy 50 and 6 more miles to Pleasant Hill. Turn left at the third stop light, Myrtle St, and go up the hill pass the middle school. At the 3 way stop, turn right onto Rooster Way. The high school is on the left.

If coming in on 50 Hwy, go south on Hwy 7 into Pleasant Hill. Turn left at the third stop light, Myrtle St, and go up the hill pass the middle school. At the 3 way stop, turn right onto Rooster Way. The high school is on the left.

If coming in on 71 Hwy, go north on Hwy 7 in Harrisonville and continue north to Pleasant Hill. After the blinking light, turn right at the stop light, Myrtle St. Go up the hill pass the middle school. At the 3 way stop, turn right onto Rooster Way. The high school is on the left.

## **INCLEMENT WEATHER**

In case of inclement weather please call 1-816-540-3111 ex. 5134 to find out information concerning the competition.