

WEST MIDLANDS SCHOOL CHOIR COMPETITION RULES

1. WEST MIDLANDS SCHOOL CHOIR IS OPEN TO ALL SCHOOL CHOIR GROUPS ACROSS THE WEST MIDLANDS.
2. THERE IS AN ENTRY FEE OF £30 FOR EACH CHOIR.
3. THERE ARE 2 DIVISIONS: PRIMARY AGES 5 - 11 AND SECONDARY AGES 11 - 16.
4. A CHOIR MUST BE MINIMUM 8 PEOPLE.
6. PROFESSIONAL TEAMS CANNOT COMPETE. YOU ARE CONSIDERED A PROFESSIONAL IF YOU ARE A SIGNED ARTIST AND/OR IF YOU ARE PAID TO PERFORM ON A REGULAR BASIS. ACTS WHO HAVE DONE LESS THAN 3 PAID PERFORMANCES IN THE 12 MONTHS MAY COMPETE.
7. BE CREATIVE, BUT SAFE: THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON CREATIVITY, SO USE OF CREATIVE ATTIRE, DANCE MOVEMENT AND PROPS ARE PERMITTED, HOWEVER MUST BE WORN/PERFORMED/USED AT OWN RISK. WE HAVE THE RIGHT TO FORBID ANY ACT FROM PERFORMING IF THERE ARE SERIOUS CONCERNS TO THE SAFETY OF PARTICIPANTS AND AUDIENCE. (REMEMBER THIS IS A VOCAL COMPETITION!)
8. ALL TEAM MEMBERS MUST ATTEND THE SCHEDULED REHEARSALS AND BRIEFING THE MORNING OF THE COMPETITION.
9. ALL SONGS PERFORMED MUST BE AGE APPROPRIATE.
10. ACTS WILL BE JUDGED ON VOCAL ABILITY, MUSICALITY, ARRANGEMENT, EXECUTION, STAGE PRESENCE & OVERALL IMPACT
12. TEAMS ARE ONLY PERMITTED TO PERFORM ONE SET NO LONGER THAN 3 MINUTES IN LENGTH IN THE PRELIMINARY ROUND. ACTS WHO PROGRESS TO THE SEMI FINAL WILL PERFORM A 5 MINUTE SET & FINAL ACTS ARE PERMITTED TO PERFORM 2 SETS, BOTH 5 MINUTES IN LENGTH.
13. ALL ENTRIES WILL COMPETE IN THE PRELIMINARY ROUNDS. IF THERE ARE SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF ENTRIES THE TOP 15 WILL BE SELECTED. THE TOP 10 ACTS WILL THEN COMPETE IN THE SEMI-FINALS. THE TOP 5 ACTS WILL BE SELECTED IN THE FINALS.
14. JUDGES WILL BE SOURCED FROM INDEPENDENT INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS WHO ARE NOT ASSOCIATED WITH G.A.P ENTERTAINMENT COMPANY OR ANY COMPETING ACTS. THEIR DECISION IS FINAL.