



University High School

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VOCAL MUSIC DEPARTMENT AUDITION INFORMATION

Welcome to the University High School Vocal Music Department! We are excited that you have chosen to sing with us in the 2022 - 2023 school year. Below you will find important information about auditions, what to expect, and what happens once audition results are posted. ***Please note that students will need to attend two days of auditions: one individual and one choir specific. Those students interested in more than one choir will need to come to multiple audition days.** Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Mr. Blaney directly at robblaney@iusd.org or call the Vocal Music office at (949) 936-7773. Auditions will be held in the Vocal Music Room at University High School (602) from April 18 – 22, 2022. In most cases, once you have sung you will be free to leave for the day.

Monday, April 18

Tuesday, April 19

4:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Individual appointments lasting approximately 5 minutes. During this time, Mr. Blaney will assess your vocal range, tonal memory, ability to sight-sing, and knowledge of intervals and key signatures. If you are auditioning for Canta Bella, Acapella Choir, or Madrigals, please come prepared to sing *The Star-Spangled Banner*, beginning at the lyric "And the rockets' red glare..." acapella, in the key of your choosing. If you are auditioning for Acapella Choir, please come prepared to also sing an excerpt, acapella, from one of the songs listed on the AUDITION SONGS page on the Vocal Music Website. If you are auditioning for both Canta Bella or Madrigals AND Acapella Choir, please be prepared to sing both songs. **Please bring your completed and signed audition form with you to your individual audition.**

Wednesday, April 20

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM

Canta Bella Auditions

Music will be posted on the Vocal Music Website under the AUDITIONS tab. Please learn the vocal part that is most comfortable for your voice. All students will be in the room and will sing the song together in quartets with one person on a part (soprano I, soprano II, alto I, alto II). Memorization is not required.

Thursday, April 21

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM

Acapella Choir Auditions

Music will be posted on the Vocal Music Website under the AUDITIONS tab. Please learn the vocal part that is most comfortable for your voice. All students will be in the room and will sing the song together in quartets with one person on a part (soprano, alto, tenor, bass). Memorization is not required. If you are auditioning for vocal percussion, please learn the voice part that is best suited to your voice and be prepared to demonstrate your beatboxing skills.

Friday, April 22

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM

Madrigals Auditions

Music will be posted on the Vocal Music Website under the AUDITIONS tab. Please learn the vocal part that is most comfortable for your voice. All students will be in the room and will sing the song together in quartets with one person on a part (soprano, alto, tenor, bass). Memorization is not required.

All students may sign up for University Choir or UNISON with no audition required. All students who audition will be placed in either University Choir, UNISON, Canta Bella, Acapella Choir, or Madrigals. Placement is based on your audition and previous history/level of participation in the Vocal Music Department, if any. Choir placement is at the sole discretion of Mr. Blaney and is not contingent on your desired choir, previous choir placement, or availability in your class schedule. Students whose voices and temperament are deemed best suited for each choir will be placed in that choir. Most incoming freshmen begin in University Choir and audition for other choirs as they progress through high school. If you love to sing, we encourage you to audition, do your best, and trust that the placement given is where you are supposed to be.

Audition results will be posted on the Vocal Music Website on June 4, 2022.

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