

**2023 District II High School Honor Choir
SATB Clinician and Repertoire Information
September 14-15, 2023
Longview Heights Baptist Church
Olive Branch, MS
Clinician: Claire Leeke**



Claire Leeke is the Director of Choral Activities at Northeast Mississippi Community College. Ensembles under her direction include the Northeast Chorus and the Northeast Voices. Other courses taught include Studio Voice, Music Theory Lab, Music Appreciation, and Musical Theatre Workshop. Ms. Leeke holds a B.A. and M.M. from the University of Mississippi. Before teaching at Northeast, she was a choir director at Southaven Middle and High Schools, Oxford High School, and Olive Branch High School. Ms.

Leeke lives in Saltillo with her husband, Trey, and their children, Owen, and Jane.

| Title | Composer/Arr. | Link to Buy |
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| Gloria in excelsis | Antonio Vivaldi | https://www.cpd.org/wiki/images/6/67/VivaldiGloriaGloria.pdf |
| My Very Own (SATB) | Susan LaBarr | https://www.jwpepper.com/My-Very-Own/10805548.item |
| City Called Heaven (SATB) | Arr. Josephine Poelinitz | https://www.jwpepper.com/City-Called-Heaven/1841709.item |
| Kwangena Thina Bo (SATB) | arr. Lhente-Mari Pitout | https://www.jwpepper.com/Kwangena-Thina-Bo/11169751.item#.ZG4sh3bMLIU |

Horn Lake Choirs

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TO: select members of the Choral Department
FROM: H. Beck & K. Gaines
DATE: Thursday, August 16, 2023
RE: 2023 Mississippi District II Honor Choir

We are excited to once again have choir members interested in representing the HL community at this year's Mississippi District II Honor Choir that will be held next month in Olive Branch! Singers will be invited to participate based on grade in school as well as work ethic, leadership, preparedness, and the work you have shown in our own HL choir rehearsals.

The honor choir will take place on September 14th & 15th in Olive Branch. Please take a look at the schedule (attached) to get an idea of the time commitment.

Please complete the permission slip & return it BY NEXT FRIDAY, along with the honor choir registration fee of \$25.00. The fee covers transportation, registration, music, D2HC shirt, & lunch on Friday. Singers will need to either pack food or bring money for one meal a day.

You will begin receiving the music very soon. It will be your responsibility to work on the music. We will begin pulling you from choir rehearsal in a few weeks to check on your progress learning the music. The better you know your music, the more fun you will have at the event. We expect ALL representatives from HL to be leaders within the honor choir.

Notice that you will miss half of the school day Thursday and all of school on Friday. You need to be sure that you are in good standing with your teachers both academically as well as behaviorally! If you are uncertain of where you stand with your other teachers you have one month to show improvement & growth!

Lastly, honor choirs are amazing, but are also A LOT of work. You will have fun and learn A LOT, but you will be tired! You cannot get cranky with those around you or allow your good work ethic to slip away. We expect for you to represent HL in a positive manner including language, attire, as well as work ethic and preparedness.

If you have changed your mind and are not interested in participating, please let your director know immediately so that another student has the opportunity to take that spot. We had to leave several off of the list that wanted to participate due to numbers.

District II Honor Choir 2023 Schedule

Longview Heights Church, Olive Branch

Thursday, September 14, 2023

12:30pm Depart HL - eat lunch at school

1:00-1:30pm Registration

1:45pm - 5:00pm Rehearsal

* t.b.d. Break

5:00-6:45pm Dinner - bring money

7:00-9:00pm College Recruitment Concert ** - FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

9:45pm (est) arrive back at HLHS

Friday, September 15, 2023

7:35am depart HL

8:30 am In seats in rehearsal locations

9:00-12:30pm Rehearsal

* t.b.d. Break

12:30-1:30pm Lunch- *Provided*

1:30-5:00pm Rehearsal

* t.b.d. Break

5:00-6:30pm Dinner /change for concert

6:45pm Call time for concert

7:00pm Final Concert **

9:45pm (est) arrive back at HLHS

** - you may check out with your director & depart with a family member after the concerts Thursday & Friday evenings. If you are riding the bus back to Horn Lake, please call your ride when we depart OB so that Mrs Gaines & Ms Beck do not have to wait for students to be picked up from the school. The bus will drop off at the HIGH SCHOOL.