

SD-ACDA Junior Honor Choir through OPUS

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1) I do not have, or have forgotten my login ID for www.acda.org or www.opusevent.com .

Please contact ACDA National office at 405-232-8161 or email membership@acda.org. In general, it is your first name_last name, and the password is your membership #.

2) I cannot get past the first screen on the application wizard. There is no option to select “Next” or “Cancel”.

This is most likely caused because your web browser is zoomed in (usually for people with visual impairment). Select “zoom out” and you should see the “Next” or “Cancel” button.

3) It is taking FOREVER to upload the audio files, why is this?

It is because you are trying to upload files that are not in an .mp3 format. Please use iTunes to convert other audio files to an .mp3 format. Please visit <http://support.apple.com/kb/HT1550> to find out how to convert audio files. Also look for iCool soft MP4 converter.

4) How do I know if my application is complete? Do I receive a confirmation email?

MAYBE. Confirmation emails are sent to the DIRECTOR only (assuming the correct email was entered when applying). In the application - look for a rose colored box to indicate that the application is incomplete. For the audio files - you will notice either a red "X" or a green check to indicate a successful uploading.

5) Is it okay if I save the files as a .WAV, .AIFF, .AAC, .3GP, .M4A, or .M4P file?

NO. Files must be saved as .mp3 only. Please use iTunes to convert other audio files to an .mp3 format. Please visit <http://support.apple.com/kb/HT1550> to find out how to convert audio files. There is conversion software available for both MAC and PC.

6) Is an external microphone required, or can the recording be made with the Mac's built-in mic?

An external microphone is not required, but is recommended for better quality.

7) I can't find any information on how we are supposed to label the mp3's of submitted for student .

You can label the MP3 files with any name you choose. Once you upload the file to the submission website it is assigned a number that corresponds with the singer. This is to ensure anonymity from the screeners. A suggestion would be student name and then 1 for scale, 2 for America, and 3 for song.

8) Can I create a demo student to try out the application process?

YES. You can create as many demo students as you like. The applications are not complete until you pay for them and submit the audio files.

9) Two teachers are working together for the submission of over 30 recordings - both from the same school, both ACDA members. Can we do this as we go, or side by side, or altogether?

YES. Multiple people can work on submissions at the same time as long as they use the same login. However, you can't fill in part of a section and come back to it. The system will not let you move to a different part of the application until the current section is complete.

10) I am having individual students pay for the audition fee. How does it work since I have to enter payment with a credit card?

We suggest that you collect payment from students and pay with a school credit card or your own. Unfortunately, the system does not allow checks or individual cards.

11) When will the choir selection be announced?

By November 1. The music director of the singer will be notified along with a list posted on the SD-ACDA website.