

MUSIC INFORMATION

Grand Assembly 2010 soloists, Pianists, String Players, Woodwind Players, Handbell Choir, and Grand Choir

NOTE: All Soloists, Organists, Trumpeters and Handbell choir members, must also participate in Grand Choir unless they are a Grand Officer.

SOLOISTS – are needed to sing solos for Grand Assembly.

On a blank cassette tape, record 2 minutes of your own singing. “Holy Bible” must be included. Please use an accompanist. You may also include one of the solos listed below. These are the solos that are available this year for Grand Assembly. If you do not have the music, please contact me before June 1, 2010.

- a) Include two recommendations. One from your Mother Advisor and one from a voice teacher, or qualified music instructor. List your qualifications, including years of voice study and singing experience.
- b) State if you are Past Worthy Advisor, Grand Officer, and/or member of the Grand Cross of Color. Name, address, date of birth, assembly name and number. Please print.

Solos Available for Grand Assembly 2010

Holy Bible – Wednesday Night
Here I Am Lord – Need a Soprano who can sing a high G#
I Turn To You – This is by Christina Aguilera
I Am – by Nichole Nordeman – Must be an Alto

PIANISTS – who can play a half hour program of music on the organ for the opening sessions are needed. Pedal playing is NOT a requirement.

On a blank cassette, tape record 5 minutes of your own playing. Please include a **march** at a tempo of 120 on the metronome.

- a) Include two recommendations. One from your Mother Advisor and one from an organ or piano teacher, or qualified music instructor. List your qualifications, including years of organ or piano study and playing experience.
- b) State if you are a Past Worthy Advisor, Grand Officer, and/or member of the Grand Cross of color. Name, address, date of birth, assembly name and number. Please print.
- c) Final date to apply is **June 1, 2010**.

TRUMPETERS – are needed to play the opening fanfare for the Grand Assembly Sessions.

On a blank cassette tape, record the fanfare. Please play it three times consecutively. Also record 5 minutes of any music of your choice. The fanfare is a step lower than in previous years and is for a Bb instrument. If you need it for an F instrument, please contact me.

- a) Include two recommendations. One from your Mother Advisor and one from a qualified music instructor. List your qualifications, including years of trumpet study and playing experience.
- b) State if you are a Past Worthy Advisor, Grand Officer, and/or member of the Grand Cross of color. Name, address, date of birth, assembly name and number. Please print.
- c) Final date to apply is **June 15, 2010**.

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STRING PLAYERS and WOODWIND PLAYERS – A String Ensemble AND/OR a Woodwind Ensemble to play Wednesday and Friday night for 15 minutes of the Prelude. You must be able to play at a Level 2 or 3 level. This is normally Middle School Band level. Soloists will also be accepted as part of the Prelude. We need one more violinist, a viola and a cellist for the String Ensemble.

- a) Include two recommendations. One from your Mother Advisor and one from a qualified music instructor. List your qualifications, including years of instrument study and playing experience.
- b) State if you are a Past Worthy Advisor, Grand Officer, and/or member of the Grand Cross of color. Name, address, date of birth, assembly name and number. Please print.
- c) Final date to apply is **June 1, 2010**. Late applications will not be accepted.
- d) Music will be mailed to you by June 15, 2010. And time and places for rehearsal will be established at that time as well.
- e) Girls wishing to play a solo are to provide a cassette tape playing the solo they want to play for Grand Assembly.
- f) You **MUST** bring your own music stand and your instrument to Grand Assembly.

GRAND ASSEMBLY HANDBELL CHOIR – Girls who can read music, such as those who study voice or an instrument are welcome to participate during Grand Assembly Sessions. This is a Team experience that is a lot of fun.

- a) Prior Handbell ringing experience is **NOT** necessary. Participants **MUST** be able to read music competently.
- b) Include two recommendations. One from your Mother Advisor and one from a qualified music instructor with a statement that the applicant can read music well.
- c) List your qualifications, such as Handbell experience (not required), years of music study and any other music experience.
- d) Name, address, date of birth, assembly name and number. Please print. You may not be a Grand Officer to participate in the Handbell choir, but can be a Grand Representative or Grand Usherette.
- e) Final date to apply is June 1, 2010. Girls selected to ring, will be expected to attend all rehearsals. The first rehearsal will be on the Sunday of Grand Officers/Grand Representatives/Grand Usherettes weekend. The final rehearsal will be on Wednesday at 10:30 A.M. until 12:30 P.M. of Grand Assembly.
- f) You will receive more information after the selections have been made. Participants in prior Grand Handbell Choirs will be considered first.
- g) The Handbell Choir needs a Flutist, for the piece being played Wednesday night. We will need someone on a High School level who can match pitches with the Bell Choir. First Flutist to contact me will get the job.

PLEASE SEND cassettes and recommendations to Mrs. Elaine M. Mann. I check my e-mail on a regular basis, so feel free to direct any questions to me at my e-mail address shown below. More information will follow once you have applied. I look forward to hearing from you!

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GRAND CHOIR

The Grand Choir will provide music for regular meetings and initiation. We will also be doing very nice selections this year that ties in with the Grand Worthy Advisor's theme. Grand Representatives are also asked to sing with the Grand Choir. Please make sure they have music and know the songs.

- a) Please recommend girls who sing in school or church. We ask you to divide voice parts among the group of girls you are sending (soprano & alto). We would like an equal amount of voice parts from each assembly represented.
- b) Girls must have a recommendation from their Mother Advisor.
- c) Names sent before **June 1** will appear in the program. Names sent after the deadline will be accepted, but will not appear in the program.
- d) Songs to be sung by the Grand Choir for initiation **SHOULD BE MEMORIZED**. The songs are as follows:
 1. Onward Christian Soldiers
 2. Rainbow Song
 3. My Faith Looks Up To Thee
 4. Have Thine Own Way
 5. Nearer My God to Thee
 6. Love divine
 7. I Love To Tell The Story – plus chorus
 8. In The Garden
 9. In the Sweet Bye and Bye
 10. God Will Take Care of You
 11. America the Beautiful
 12. Help Somebody Today
 13. Holy bible (Two verses)
- e) All selections are in the Official Order of the Rainbow Songbook except numbers 4, 9, and 11.
- f) One copy of ALL Music with a Rehearsal CD will be sent to you for your Assembly when I receive the list of girls participating. Cost of \$3.00 is requested for shipping purposes and the cost of the CD. Music may be copied and used at Grand Assembly **ONLY** if it is in a White Folder. Purchased master copies of the music are in the possession of the Grand Deputy.
- g) The special selection to be sung by the Grand Choir is "Hist'ry". It will be included with the music and rehearsal tape sent in June.
- h) Assembly.
- i) Grand choir members must wear long white dresses for all sessions in which the Grand Choir is present. No mascots or pillows are permitted in the Grand Choir section.

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