From: <u>Timothy Vaughn</u>

Subject: Region X Vocal UIL High School C and SR Information and Schedule

Dear Choir Directors,

Attached to this e-mail is the schedule for the High School Concert and Sight-reading Contest in pdf format. It is a two page document.

Contest will be held April 11-12, 2006 at Silsbee High School in Silsbee. Silsbee High School is located at 1575 Hwy 96 North.

Directions to Silsbee High School from Beaumont/Port Arthur/Orange:

From I10 take the 96/69 Lufkin Exit toward Lumberton. Take the Lumberton exit on Hwy 96. After passing through Lumberton (about 2.5 miles) you will see a Jasper route the left and a Silsbee business exit to the right. Take the Jasper route. Go about 1.8 miles. You will pass the Region V Service Center on the right. Take the Hwy 327 exit and go left (the only way you can go.) The school is on the right.

Directors, please make sure that you are on time (It would be wise to arrive at least 2 to 3 choirs before your warm up time.) Upon arrival, check into the contest office and leave your music (WITH MEASURES NUMBERED) for the judges and your #1 form. You must have your #1 form when you check in. When your choirs have finished, do not leave without picking up your critique sheets and signing out.

Following are a few reminders I'd like to review with you.

- Please tell your students not to scream or yell when ratings are posted. Classes will be in progress, and it is disturbing to choirs performing on the stage.
- Choirs are encouraged to attend performances, but there will be no admittance to the auditorium while a choir is on stage.
- Applauding between selections is not allowed.
- No smoking will be allowed on the campus during the contest.
- Please bring parents with you to assist in chaperoning students while you are performing.

Please read pages 155 of the Constitution and Contest Rules 2005-2006. This deals with procedures in the sight-reading room as to what you may do concerning pitch, chords, etc. before your choir sings. Be sure your students are familiar with the rules. In the unlikely event you don't have a copy of this publication, it is published at the following website: http://www.uil.utexas.edu/mus.

Best wishes for a positive experience for you and your students at this year's choir contest. If I can be of assistance, feel free to call me at work (281) 420-4500 ext. 255, at my home (281) 479-0296, or my cell phone (713) 417-6899.

Sincerely,

Tim Vaughn

Region X UIL Contest Chairman