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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Students in Grade 4 have the opportunity to audition for the **2020 MMEA Festival All-State Treble Chorus**. This is a wonderful chance for students to take their love of singing and music to a higher level. Students accepted into the festival will work with 200 of the top young singers across Massachusetts along with nationally recognized youth choral conductor Ms. Emily Ellsworth, to prepare a diverse concert program and showcase their work at the festival concert in Boston, MA (March 7th, 2020)

Each school is allowed to submit 10 auditions, so students interested will participate in a two-part audition. A pre-audition with Mr. Lindsey will narrow down the field to 10 singers, then a recorded vocal audition will be submitted to the All State committee as a final audition. If students are accepted by the All State Committee, they will participate in two rehearsals (February 8th, 2020 & March 7th, 2020) and the festival concert. Students will work with their Mr. Lindsey to record and submit their auditions, which will include singing a vocal warm up and *My Country 'Tis 'of Thee*.

Before students are eligible to audition for the festival, Parents/Guardians and students must review the dates and details below to see if both are able to make this commitment. Please **return the audition slip below to Mr. Lindsey by November 21, 2019** if your student is interested in auditioning for this great opportunity. Due to the **December 6th** final deadline to submit recordings to the All-State committee, students that return forms after **November 21st** may not be considered.

Thank you for your support with this process, and best wishes to your musician as they prepare for the audition.

Musically,

Mr. Dustin Lindsey
Center Elementary
2-4 General Music, Chorus

My child, _____, has my permission to audition for the 2020 All State Treble Chorus. By signing below, we agree to:

- Read this information letter, and contact the music teacher if there are any questions (dlindsey@hanoverschools.org)
- Pay the \$25.00 audition fee (if selected for All-State audition)
- Allow my child's music teacher to post an audio audition
- Allow MMEA to use my child's photograph in rehearsal and/or performance for official purposes and archival purposes.
- This applicant's parent(s)/guardian(s) has given permission for Soundwaves Recording to videotape their child's performance in the 2020 All-State Treble Chorus Festival. The parent(s)/guardian(s) is aware that DVDs of the performance will be available for sale to participating families.

Parent/Guardian Name (please print)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date