

Pinellas County Music Educators Chorus & Orchestra Composition Contest

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	1. The student must be enrolled in Pinellas County Schools.
	2. The student must be enrolled in high school (grade 9-12).
	3. Composition should last a maximum of 3 minutes.
	4. The composition should be written in G Major, D Major, e minor, or b minor.
	5. The composition should be in 2/4, 3/4, or 4/4.
	6. Dynamics should properly balance the chorus and string orchestra. The orchestra is accompanying the text.
	7. Composition should be for mixed voice chorus and string orchestra.
	8. Suggested voice ranges <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soprano – C4-G6 • Alto – A3 to F5 • Tenor – D3 to A4 • Bass – E2 to E4
	9. Suggested string ranges <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Violin – G3 to B5 (HS players up to E6) • Viola – C3 to E5 (HS players up to G5) • Cello – C2 to D4 (HS players up to G4) • Bass – sounding E1 to D3, written an octave above
	10. String Voicing options <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 1: Standard 5 parts for string orchestra (1st violin, 2nd violin, viola, cello, bass) with option 8va on some notes for HS students. • Option 2: 10 part layered composition that allows high school orchestra students to play a more challenging part, but still compliments and blends in with the middle school part . (1st violin A, 1st violin B, 2nd violin A, 2nd violin B, etc...)
	11. Only complete works will be considered.
	12. A full score and parts must be turned in. A reduced piano score for rehearsal would be nice, but is not required.
	13. The student may use an original or public domain text. If a text under copyright is used, proof of permission to use it must be submitted with the composition.
	14. All submissions are due by Friday, November 4, 2016 to: <i>Attn: Rosemary Collins, c/o Safety Harbor MS 901 1st Avenue North, Safety Harbor FL, 34695</i>
	15. The winning composition may be performed by the 2017 All-County Middle and High School Choruses and Orchestras as the Finale of their concert. Should the composition be selected for performance, an honorarium of \$250 will be awarded to the composer.