



Mission Statement: Key Chorale, the Suncoast's premier symphonic chorus, is dedicated to transforming lives through innovative programming, artistic excellence, educational outreach and service to the community.

2023/2024 KEY CHORALE STUDENT SCHOLAR APPLICATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT AND COMPLETE THE ENTIRE APPLICATION AND ESSAY. THEN, MAIL TO:
Key Chorale, ATTN: Kaela Coye, 1900 Main Street, Suite 211, Sarasota, Florida 34236

OR SCAN THE COMPLETED APPLICATION AND ESSAY TO KAELA COYE, EDUCATION SUPPORT PERSON, AT kaela.coye@keychorale.org

BY MONDAY, AUGUST 31, 2023

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

Today's Date _____

Name: _____
(Last) _____ (First) _____ (MI) _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

High School Attending _____ Voice Part _____ Height _____

Circle the Year of School in 2023-24: Junior or Senior (Birth Date-Month/Day) _____

Your Email Address _____ Your Cell Phone _____

Rehearsal and Performance Requirements

Key Chorale rehearsals are held on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm (September through April) plus special rehearsals and dress rehearsals needed for each concert. Most rehearsals take place at the First Presbyterian Church, 2050 Oak Street, Sarasota. Key Chorale Singers are expected to commit to the full season of the Chorale. **Key Chorale will modify how rehearsals, etc. will take place, if needed, based on Health/Safety Guidelines at the start of the season.**

Are you available to attend rehearsals on a regular basis online or in person? Yes or No (Please circle one)

Briefly share why you would like to be a Key Chorale Student Scholar _____

Essay - write a short essay (100 -125 words) using your computer and then attach the essay to this application. Remember to write the essay in paragraph form using complete sentences. Type your name at the top of essay. Essay must include the following:

- What are your vocal/musical/choral experiences so far?
- Why is music your passion?
- What are your plans to integrate music in your college studies and beyond?
- What are your strengths that you will bring to the Key Chorale?

If accepted into this program, this essay will become your biography that will be posted on the Key Chorale website.

Interview - After completing and mailing/scanning the application **by August 31, 2023**, Key Chorale will then contact you and schedule an interview time for you. This is a required part of the application process. This is an opportunity for Key Chorale to get to know you and for you to get to know Key Chorale better and ask questions. Two or three Key Chorale Representatives will meet with you. The interview will most likely be via a Zoom Meeting and take approximately 20 minutes.

Vocal Audition - After the interview, Key Chorale will contact you to let you know if you will be invited to move onto the next step in the application process. The next step is the vocal audition. Your vocal audition is an opportunity for our team to hear your voice, evaluate your musicianship, and get to know you. The audition is comprised of the Artistic Director, Joseph Caulkins and Section Leaders. The process takes about 10 minutes.

The Vocal Audition Dates will be in late August/early September 2023, at First Presbyterian Church, 2050 Oak Street, Sarasota. A special form will be given to you to complete and bring with you to the vocal audition. The audition dates are typically on a Saturday.

There are two elements to the audition:

1. **Singing** - You choose one prepared piece (classical, sacred/gospel, simple song, or hymn), no longer than three minutes in length. Memorization is not required. An accompanist will be provided (please bring a second copy of music for the accompanist). No a cappella auditions will be heard.
2. **Sight-reading** - You will be asked to clap a short, simple rhythmic passage as well as sing several short musical phrases.

After your audition in late August/early September, you will receive a communication within 7 days from a Key Chorale representative regarding your application status as a potential Key Chorale Student Scholar/Singer.

Student/Parent Orientation Session - If you are accepted as a Key Chorale Student Scholar, the expectation is that the student scholar and his/her parent/guardian attend the **Student/Parent Orientation Session on Tuesday, September 26, 2023, at 6:00 pm**. You will receive more detailed information about the orientation in mid-September. The purpose of this 60-90 minute meeting is to welcome the student scholars and their parents and provide additional information about the Key Chorale Student Scholar Program and the 2023-2024 Key Chorale Season.

Throughout the Key Chorale Season, Student Scholars who are accepted into the program, have opportunities to have their written communications and photos related to the Scholar Program/Performances posted on social media and in print media. Please ask your parent/guardian to complete the following which will give permission or not give permission for these items.

Please check one of the following and then parent/guardian signs below

_____ I give permission for my student's communications (quotations, comments, etc.) and their photos related to the Key Chorale Student Scholar Program and Key Chorale Performances to be used in social media (i.e. Facebook, Instagram, Hashtag) and in print such as programs and other print forms. This is to provide recognition of student's successes and for Key Chorale to promote and market the Student Scholar Program.

_____ I **do not** give permission for my student's communications (quotations, comments, etc.) and their photos related to the Key Chorale Student Scholar Program and Key Chorale Performances to be used in social media (i.e. Facebook, Instagram, Hashtag) and in print such as programs and other print forms. This is to provide recognition of student's successes and for Key Chorale to promote and market the Student Scholar Program.

Print First & Last Name of Parent/Guardian

Parent/Guardian's Signature and Date

Required Signatures in order for you to apply for the Student Scholar Program

Student:

I wish to apply for the Key Chorale Student Scholar Program for the 2023-2024 School Year. I know that an interview and vocal audition are required as a part of the application process. I will abide by the Health/Safety Protocols that Key Chorale might have in place.

Print Student's First and Last Name

Signature of Student Scholar Applicant and Date

Any special comments by the student scholar applicant that would help Key Chorale in working with you if you are accepted as a student scholar:

High School Choral Teacher:

I recommend the above-named student for the Key Chorale Student Scholar Program:

Print Name of High School Choral Teacher

Signature of High School Choral Teacher & Date

Any special comments by the high school choral director that would help Key Chorale in working with this potential student scholar applicant:

Parent/Guardian:

I give permission for my student to apply for the Key Chorale Student Scholar Program. If selected, my son or daughter will abide by the Health/Safety Protocols that Key Chorale might have in place.

Print Name of Parent(s)/Guardian

Signature of Parent(s)/Guardian and Date

Parent/Guardians' Emails and Cell Phone Numbers:

Name: _____ Email and Cell _____

Name: _____ Email and Cell _____

Any special comments by the parents/guardian that would help Key Chorale in working with your son/daughter if accepted as a student scholar:
