

Youth Choirs FAQs

I am interested in auditioning. Do I need any previous experience singing?

No! All students are encouraged to audition.

Does my student need to read music before auditioning?

No, each choir will introduce reading music as part of the curriculum.

What is the format of auditions?

We are offering in person auditions this year. You only need to choose one format. In person auditions will be in small groups (up to 4 for Vocalise, pairs for Ovation). Email us at education@midlandcenter.org to schedule an audition.

Where are auditions being held?

Auditions will be held September 5 and 9.

What do I need to prepare for auditions?

Come ready to sing! We will start with warm ups, then sing the following:

Vocalise – *The Star Spangled Banner*, *Are You Sleeping* in a round, and echo some short phrases

Ovation - Sing a scale, *The Star Spangled Banner*

What is the time commitment?

Each choir meets once per week with a concert in the winter and in the spring. Vocalise's rehearsals are Tuesday from 4:30 – 6 PM. Ovation meets on Monday from 6 - 7:30 PM. The younger groups do 2-4 performances per year. The older group usually performs 4-6 times. Some of these performances are less formal like singing at nursing homes.

How do I decide which choir to audition for?

Vocalise is open to 3rd-8th grade students. Ovation is for treble voices in high school through age 21.

Does the group wear uniforms?

Yes. For most performances the singers will wear their choir t-shirt and black pants, socks and shoes.

What types of music do the choirs sing?

We sing a wide variety of music including folk, classical, jazz, Broadway, pop, and more. We love variety!

How much is tuition? Are scholarships available?

Tuition is \$75. Yes, the Art from the Heart scholarship can cover up to half of the cost of tuition.

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