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**To schedule an audition appointment for ages 6-18,
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THE ST. LOUIS CHILDREN'S CHOIRS

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Auditions 2010-2011 Season

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How to audition: Call the Choir Office at 314-993-9626 to schedule your audition appointment! Auditions are held by appointment to hear prospective students (grades 1st through 12th) who love to sing! You'll meet and sing for one of our directors, plus, it's an opportunity to hear about the Choirs and ask any questions.

We'll ask you to sing a familiar song like "Happy Birthday" or "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star" and ask you to match pitch by singing a few short melodies. Older students are asked to sing "America the Beautiful." Your parents will be introduced to the Choir program, tuition rates, rehearsal schedule, and concert information. Choir staff and a Choir parent will be available to answer questions. A brief 10-15 minute orientation follows the audition.

Auditions are held at the Children's Choirs Office at 2842 N. Ballas Road in St. Louis' West County, off Hwy 40/I-64 – Ballas Road exit. Most audition appointments take place on Saturdays. No audition fees are required, however, the Choirs expects that those who come to audition are sincerely interested in the program.

Why you should audition: As a young singer, you are important to the performing arts in St. Louis! Singing with The St. Louis Children's Choirs means singing with one of the best children's choirs in the nation; meeting lifelong friends; learning lots of music and singing in different languages. Students in the advanced ensembles have the privilege of touring nationally and internationally on concert tours and performing with the Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra! In June 2010, this year's advanced touring ensembles perform at Carnegie Hall in New York City.

Rehearsals: Depending on the ensemble level and section you become part of, rehearsals take place weekly at either the West County location on Ballas Road or in University City. **Music Reading Classes** are offered for students in Chorale, Choristers, and Concert Choir ensembles to learn how to sight-read music using solfege (do-re-mi). These 30-minute classes are scheduled before or following Choir rehearsals.

Ensembles – approximate grades for each Choir level

- Music Makers – 1st and 2nd graders
- Children's Choir – 3rd through 6th graders
- Chorale – 5th through 7th graders
- Choristers – 6th through 12th graders (with advanced music reading skills)
- Concert Choir – 7th through 12th graders (with advanced music reading skills)
- Chamber Singers – 8th through 12th graders (advanced ensemble with Concert Choir women and young men with changed voices)

Tuition Rates for the Season: Tuition ranges from \$465 for beginning student instruction from September through May to \$900 for the advanced touring ensemble. Financial Aid for tuition is available to qualified students with a demonstrated need. Applications are provided upon request.

Call the Children's Choirs Office today at 314-993-9626 to make an audition appointment.

We look forward to getting to know you!