



Choral Festival INFORMATION and PROCEDURES SHEET!

FOR CHORAL DIRECTORS:

This year we will be holding the entire festival in the **Dothan Civic Center Arena** rather than the Dothan Opera House due to renovations & additions to the Dothan Opera House. Therefore, there will be new procedures you must be aware of as you are planning for this competition. All activities will be under one roof making your performance and attendance easier to facilitate! The Dothan Civic Center can hold all our choirs and their chaperones and attendees in case you want to spend your day watching others perform. **We will be on the ground floor of the Civic Center Arena and all our needs can be met on this floor. There is no entry to any of the seating above ground floor (Balconies included). Seating will only be on the ground floor either on the floor itself or on the seated risers.**

A little INFORMATION FOR YOU TO PLAN WITH:

1. **All choirs need to come dressed, if possible, on the bus for performance. If you have a special need regarding dressing, please contact us: ann@theculturalartscenter.org.** Bathrooms are on the bottom floor of the civic center for changing after performance, we just ask that all items belonging to students be labeled with their names.
2. **Do you have any handicapped students coming? If so, email us** and let us know if they are in a wheelchair, using crutches, walker or other device: ann@theculturalartscenter.org. **THIS QUESTION IS ON YOUR REGISTRATION FORM TO HELP US WITH PLANNING.**
3. **Be sure to allow enough drive time to arrive at least 50 minutes BEFORE your performance time. Upon arrival by bus, a bus attendant will take the Choral Director and Accompanist, to the Registration Area of the civic center floor. Choral Students will be taken to bathrooms for a bathroom break and then seated in the arena area.** Choral Directors and Accompanists will be joined with students when registration ends. **BE SURE YOUR BUS LEAVING TIME ALLOWS FOR THIS 50 MINUTE PROCESS.**
4. **AS YOUR BUS IS PARKING, YOUR CHORAL DIRECTOR, ACCOMPANIST, AND CHOIR WILL ALL ENTER DOOR # 7 FOR REGISTRATION AND BATHROOM BREAK/CHANGING. REGISTRATION IS IN THE OUTER HALLWAY OF THE CIVIC CENTER ARENA AREA.**
 - a. **NEW THIS YEAR: For those arriving by cars, the Choral Director, Accompanist, Instrumentalists, and Choir must enter Door #7 even though you will be parking in the car parking area. REFER TO THE MAP in your registration packets.**
 - b. Your Choral Director, Accompanist and Choir must arrive as a group to register. We will be turning in your 3 copies of sheet music with measures marked and CD's/Jump Drives/ at the registration desk.
 - c. **Choral Directors remember to bring 3 COPIES of your SHEET MUSIC for Choirs and one copy for Soloists. Be sure to mark measures on all copies of music BEFORE you arrive at registration.** Show choirs just need to show us a copy of your receipt for music purchased, but no sheet music is necessary.





- d. **NEW THIS YEAR** and designed to make your life easier, you will be able to EMAIL US A .WAV FILE OR .MP3 FILE OF YOUR CHORAL MUSIC IF YOU ARE NOT BRINGING AN ACCOMPANIST. You may also bring jump drive or CD; be sure your school's name and Choral Director's name is on the CD. Make sure the Jump Drive is also labeled in some way so we can return that to you. WHEN YOU EMAIL US YOUR .WAV OR .MP3 FILE, BE SURE YOU TELL US THE SCHOOL'S NAME, CHOIR NAME, NAME OF THE PIECE, AND CHORAL DIRECTORS NAME SO WE CAN PUT THIS IN SHOW ORDER TO BE PLAYED ONSTAGE AT THE TIME OF YOUR PERFORMANCE. If you make us hunt you down for this, you may find you have no music at the time of your performance.
 - e. **BRING A SEPARATE CD for your warm-up** as we will have CD players in the warmup rooms but no technical equipment to play the MP3/WAVE files or jump drives. In other words, even if you brought your laptop we will not have speakers separate from the ones with the CD players.
 - f. It is an **EXCELLENT IDEA to BRING A JUMP DRIVE with your music on it** in case of technical malfunctions!!
5. **BE SURE YOUR CHORAL MEMBERS, DIRECTORS, ACCOMPANISTS and INSTRUMENTALISTS ARE WEARING THEIR ARMBANDS AS THEY ENTER THE CIVIC CENTER.** Without it, they will be paying to enter the Civic Center to perform. There will be guards at the door to check for armbands and tickets as well as clear bags with personal items in it. No purses (*See below Dothan Civic Center Personal Items Policy*)
 6. **PARENTS AND CHAPERONES MUST BUY A TICKET.** There will be a ticket booth on the ground floor of the Civic Center Arena for ticket sales and someone at the door to take your tickets. No tickets are available online.
 7. **Once you have completed your performance and are ready to "DRESS DOWN",** notify one of the Choir Attendants to escort you to the bathrooms as a group to change, and then to your bus for leaving or to the civic center arena to rejoin and watch the other choirs perform. Take all your stuff back to the bus before entering arena again.
 8. **CHORAL DIRECTORS BE SURE THAT THEY PICK UP ALL THEIR BELONGINGS IN THESE BATHROOMS.** Someone will come behind you to collect what we find and if we cannot connect with your group before you leave, then we will compile a list and pictures of all things left behind and send them out to choirs who participated that day for possible identification. We will then mail the items to you.
 9. **If you are planning to arrive much earlier than your performance time to watch other choirs, let us know when you fill out your registration form** so we can seat you and know where you are when it comes time for your warmup. Just write in this information in the margins and we will see it.
 10. **THIS YEAR'S REGISTRATION FORM IS PDF fillable** so no more printing off the forms, filling them out and then scanning them. You should be able to fill out your form as you see it , save it, and send it to me by email!!!



DOTHAN CIVIC CENTER PERSONAL ITEMS POLICY (and it will be enforced and it will apply to the Dothan Opera House when we return there in 2025):

1. No guns, knives, weapons of any kind
2. No outside food or beverages can be brought into the Civic Center Building. There will be a concession stand available to students, parents, chaperones, choral directors and others, so they will need debit cards or cash.
3. **NEW THIS YEAR: For parents and students coming into the Civic Center Arena, you can only bring in clear bags no larger than 12X12 that would contain your cell phone, wallet, make up, lipstick, etc.**

There will be no check point at the door to leave stuff. They will tell you to turn around and put it in your car and leave it there.

- a. For students performing, this means they will be able to leave their clothing and personal items on the bus until it is time to change. THEN they can only bring in Clear Bags no larger than 12X12 or cash/debit cards in their pockets to buy food at concession stands. Cell phones need to be left on the bus until they are done with their performances and THEN bring them in in their pockets, but no purses, no bags, nothing can enter the arena floor where they will be seated. If they are unable to get a clear bag in time to bring their personal stuff, tell them to put their stuff in their carryon bags, pull it out when they change clothes, and return the carryon bag to the bus.

FEEDING STUDENTS BEFORE/AFTER PERFORMANCE:

If you are planning to FEED YOUR STUDENTS DURING LUNCH BREAKS, you might be interested in the attached list of fast food offerings that will deliver to your site or you can go to their site to eat and return. Check the food sheet for offerings that are close to the Dothan Civic Center. Remember, no food or drinks can be brought into the Dothan Civic Center or the Dothan Opera House.



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FOR ACCOMPANISTS:

1. There will be a full-size grand piano with a bench on stage for you to play!!!
2. For those with additional accompanists like guitar, small drums, stringed instruments, etc. we will provide you with chairs and music stands for you in the wings. Please let the stagehands know where you need these placed.
3. There will be full-size electronic keyboards with benches in the warmup rooms along with CD Players for warm up. Be sure to take your music with you to these areas as well. We cannot provide you with a laptop or other electronic device with speakers to play .MP3 files, .WAV files or your phone.

Fast Food and Restaurants

Bird & Bean Coffee House

Christy Keyton
144 North Foster Street
Dothan, AL 36303
340-3160
www.birdandbeancoffee.com

Blue Plate (South)

Brittney Robinetto
1975 Ross Clark Circle, Suite 1
Dothan, AL 36301
673-2583
Fax: 673-2590
www.blueplaterestaurant.com

Blue Plate (West)

Chris Bradshaw
3850 West Main Street, Suite 300
Dothan, AL 36305
702-7100
Fax: 702-9407
www.blueplaterestaurant.com

Buffalo Wild Wings

Shane Bedford
3400 Montgomery Highway
Dothan, AL 36303
671-0198
Fax: 671-2508
www.buffalowildwings.com

Cactus Flower Café

Bobby Derome
5412 Montgomery Highway
Dothan, AL 36303
984-0717
www.cactusflowercafe.net

Cheddar's Scratch Kitchen

Ian Finch
4941 Montgomery Highway
Dothan, AL 36303
677-0854
Fax: 677-0857
www.cheddars.com

Cheeburger Cheeburger

Katie Eubanks
4871 Montgomery Highway, Suite 1 (Dothan)
P.O. Box 365
Slocumb, AL 36375-0365
678-0202
Fax: 678-0204
www.cheeburger.com

Chicken Salad Chick

Rebecca Roland
3850 West Main Street, Unit 402 (Dothan)
P.O. Box 99
Abbeville, AL 36310-0099
699-3800
Fax: 699-3803
www.chickensaladchick.com

Chick-fil-A at Ross Clark Circle

Jeff Koch
3418 Ross Clark Circle
Dothan, AL 36303
712-4849
Fax: 712-6550
www.chick-fil-a.com

Chick-fil-A East

David Bailey
1905 East Main Street
Dothan, AL 36301
792-2498
www.chick-fil-a.com/eastdothan

Dante's Pizza

Oswaldo Clemente
4177 Montgomery Highway, Suite 6
Dothan, AL 36303
792-7160
www.dantespizza.net

David's Catfish

Parker Armstrong
1708 Westgate Parkway
P.O. Box 8906
Dothan, AL 36304-0906
699-3474
www.davidscatfishhousedothan.com

Diablos Southwest Grill

Chad Brinkley
131 North Foster Street (Dothan, AL)
P.O. Box 6518
Thomasville, GA 31758-6518
305-0280
Fax: 305-0284
www.diablossouthwestgrill.com

Fazoli's

Robert Sirkis
3421 Ross Clark Circle
Dothan, AL 36303
446-4239
www.fazolis.com

Fire Stone Wood Fired Grill

BJ Hall
250 South Oates Street
Dothan, AL 36301
446-6248
www.woodfiredothan.com

Full Moon Bar-B-Que

Bryan Applefield
3826 Montgomery Highway (Physical)
106 Adris Place
Dothan, AL 36303
446-4322
www.fullmoonbbq.com

Golden Corral

Elri Parker
3340 Ross Clark Circle
Dothan, AL 36303
677-9976
Fax: 677-9978
www.goldencorral.com

Hots Deli

Patricia DeVane
180 Westgate Parkway
Dothan, AL 36303
671-5550
www.hotsdeli.com

La Leyenda Authentic Mexican Restaurant, LLC

Claudia Diaz
3085 Ross Clark Circle
Dothan, AL 36301
305-0090

LongHorn Steakhouse

John Daniel
3411 Ross Clark Circle
Dothan, AL 36303
794-4279
Fax: 794-9301
www.longhornsteakhouse.com

Metro Diner

Christopher Wyatt
2777 West Main Street
Dothan, AL 36301
218-3230
www.metrodiner.com

Moe's Southwest Grill

Stacey Harrison
4521 Montgomery Highway, Suite 5
P.O. Box 9611
Dothan, AL 36304-1611
685-8565
Fax: 671-1436
www.moes.com

Momma Goldberg's Deli

General Manager
104 Apple Avenue, Suite 5
Dothan, AL 36305
305-0410
www.mommagoldbergsdeli.com

Newk's Eatery

Matt Collins
3468 Ross Clark Circle (Dothan, AL)
517 Keywood Circle, Suite 1B
Flowood, MS 39232
699-1667
Fax: (601) 936-9633
www.newks.com

Panera Bread

Charles Kearney
3515 Ross Clark Circle
Dothan, AL 36303
792-6037
Fax: 792-6031
www.panerabread.com

Red Elephant Pizza & Grill

John Schrowang
3108 Ross Clark Circle, Suite 4
Dothan, AL 36303
673-7492
Fax: 673-7499
www.redelephantpizza.com

Rock-N-Roll Sushi

Candice Maddox
103 Apple Avenue, Suite 2
Dothan, AL 36303
596-5659
www.rnrsushi.com

Texas Roadhouse

Jacob Lamer
3730 Montgomery Highway
Dothan, AL 36303
792-5826
www.texasroadhouse.com

Tropical Smoothie Café

Aubrey Forsey
3230 Ross Clark Circle
Dothan, AL 36303
673-5652
www.tropicalsmoothiecafe.com

Tropical Smoothie Café

Aubrey Forsey
Cottonwood Corners
1640 Ross Clark Circle, Suite 301
Dothan, AL 36301
792-7928
Fax: 792-7926
www.tropicalsmoothie.com

Wendy's

Martha Ulmer
2100 Ross Clark Circle SW
Dothan, AL 36301
793-4516
www.wendys.com

Wendy's

Martha Ulmer
101 Apple Avenue
Dothan, AL 36305
446-1874
www.wendys.com

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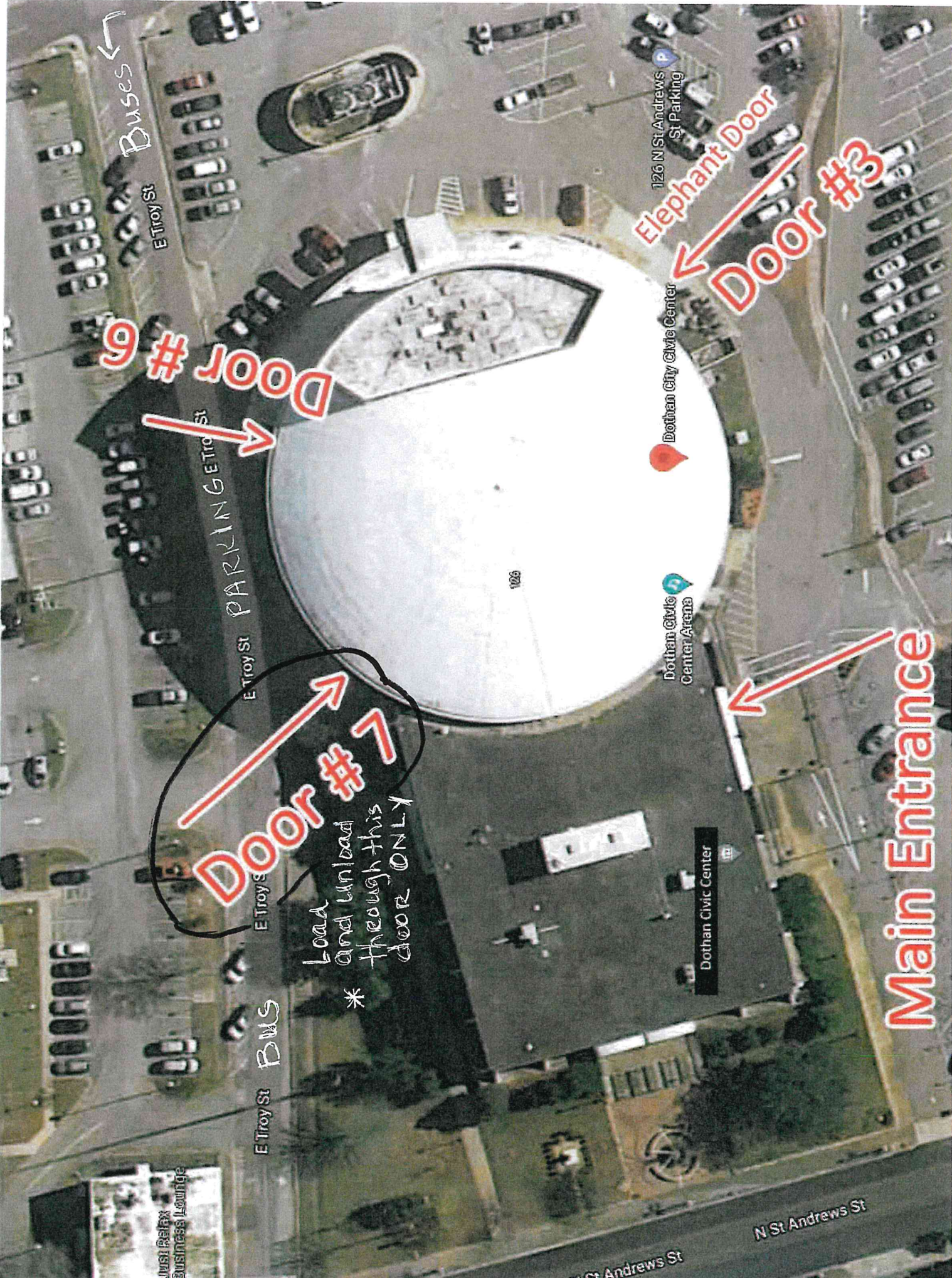
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Dothan, AL 36305
678-1302
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www.zaxbys.com

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Dothan, AL 36303
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Jim Dykes
3205 South Oates Street
Dothan, AL 36301
446-6480
www.zaxbys.com



Buses ←

E Troy St

Door #9

PARKING E Troy St

E Troy St

Door #7

* Load and unload through this door ONLY

E Troy St BUS

Just Relax Business Lounge

126 N St Andrews St Parking

Elephant Door

Door #3

Dothan City Civic Center

Dothan Civic Center Arena

Dothan Civic Center

Main Entrance

N St Andrews St

N St Andrews St

126

MUSEUM AVE.

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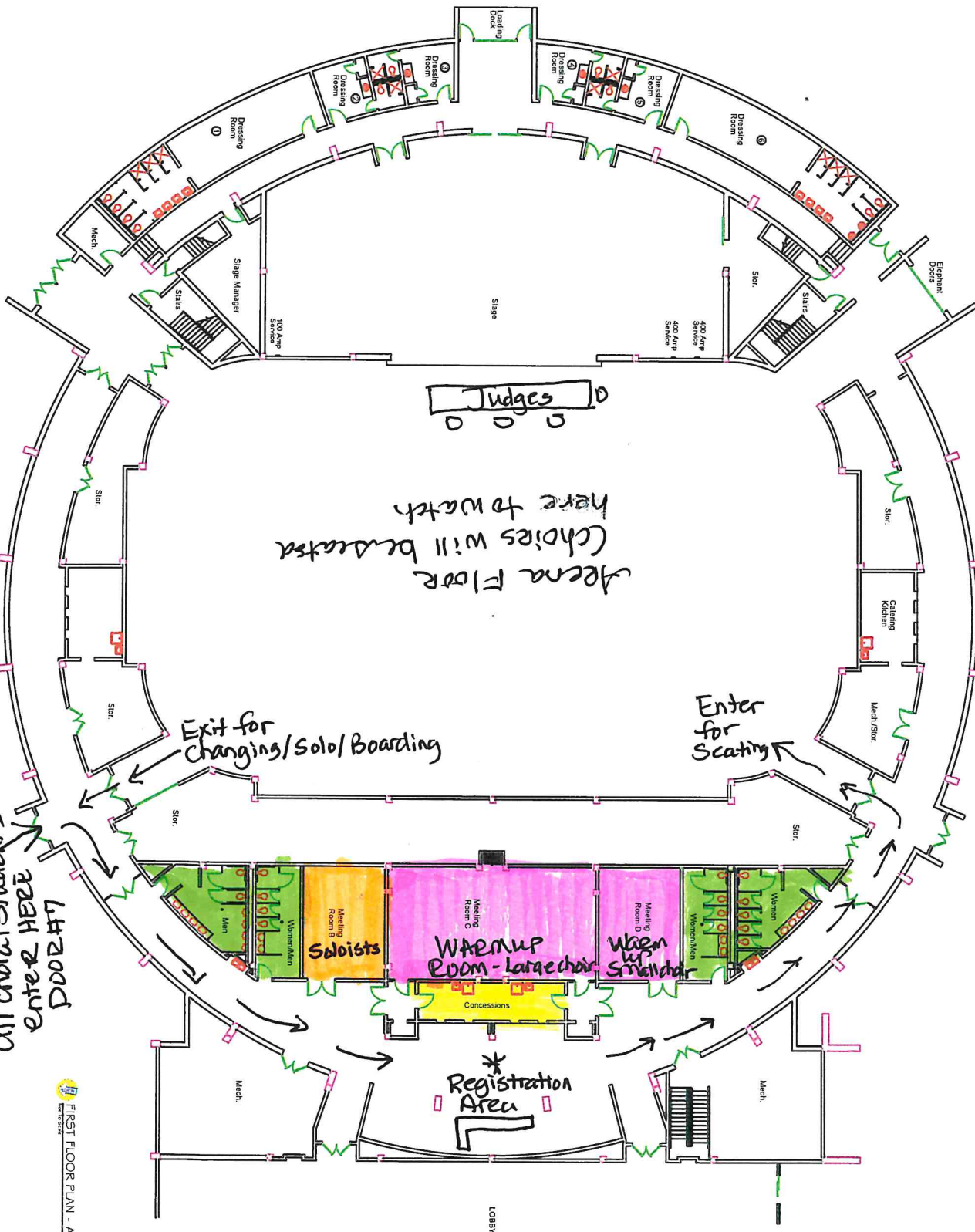
1 Way Street

E. TROY STREET

Bus Parking Only

All choral students enter HERE DOOR #17

FIRST FLOOR PLAN - ARENA



N. Saint Andrews Street

to E. Mainst.

EXIT

* Balconies
Accessible Seating (6) Accessible to chairs / Students / Parents

Enter here for Seating

Exit here for Changing Sub text Teachers

Judges

STAGE

