



## Dear Campers and Parents,

Showchoir Camps of America at Millikin University is almost here! We can't wait to see everyone and are looking forward to bringing you a fun and exciting week. The following information will be helpful and informative as you prepare for SCA.

### BALANCE OF CAMP FEE

To pay the balance of the Camp Fee online, go to the payment link in your email. Make payment by June 15th. If you have paid the \$150.00 deposit, your balance due is: \$645.00 with room and board.

### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

1:00 PM to 5:00 PM - Check-in at the University Commons (Entrance off of Main Street)

- MASK required for everyone at "Check-In"
- Only **Camp participants** and **one** adult allowed in "Check-In" room

1:00 PM to 5:00 PM - Talent Showcase Auditions

1:00 PM to 5:00 PM - Placement Auditions

4:00 PM - Dance Ensemble Audition at Center for Theatre and Dance Rm 300 (Check-in/Warm-up at 3:30)

2:00 - 6:00 PM - University Commons Café Open for Purchases

7:00 PM - Entertainment and Orientation at Kirkland Theatre

8:45 PM - Domino's Pizza Available for Purchase (\$10 Cash Large Pizza and a Water)

9:15 PM - Floor Meetings

### THINGS TO BRING

For your convenience, please find a printable packing list at the link provided in your email.

Look for the Student Packing List.

### ROOMMATES

Any change in requested roommates must be made in advance. Make any new requests by email to [info@showchoircamps.com](mailto:info@showchoircamps.com). We reserve the right to deny requests made at Check-In.

### HOUSING

You will be housed in campus residence halls. Bring **twin bed sheets**, a pillow, blanket or sleeping bag, **towels**, and a washcloth. Bring anything else that you might want to have a fun and comfortable week in your dorm room.

### KEYS

You will receive a dorm key card and a room key from Millikin University at Check-In for entrance you're your residence hall and room. Unreturned or lost keys will result in a lost key fee of \$50, charged directly to the participant.

## **FLOOR POLICY**

Counselors will reside on each of the student resident hall floors. At bed check, students are required to be on their own floor, in their own room, and to remain there for the remainder of the night. Entrance doors to the residence halls will be locked at all times.

## **GROUP PLACEMENT**

Each camper is placed in a performance group through a very quick vocal audition on Sunday afternoon. Bring music to sing. (1 minute or less) If you don't have music, you may sing a cappella or be vocalized by the auditioner. An accompanist or Bluetooth speaker will be available. This audition is only to ensure groups are balanced so don't feel any pressure. If you have 7 or fewer coming from your school, you can attend the placement audition together, but it is absolutely fine if you come individually. If you are attending with a larger group from your school, your director will likely pre-place you in a group. (Check with your director or the large group placement list when you arrive.)

## **STUDENT TALENT SHOWCASE**

One of the highlights of our week at camp is the Student Talent Showcase on Thursday night. Millikin University will be awarding talent scholarships to a few outstanding performers. This is a terrific opportunity so start preparing now! Auditions will be held on Sunday from 1:00-5:00 PM. Please limit your audition to 2 minutes. An accompanist will be available. We will also provide a Bluetooth speaker and an aux cable. Bring appropriate clothes and shoes for the performance should you be selected.

**SATURDAY LUNCH** for friends and family of campers will be held in the University Commons Dining Center beginning at 11:00 AM. Cost is \$9.00 per person. Payment will be made at the door on Saturday. (Campers lunch is included in their room and board.)

## **IMPORTANT RULES**

**ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, ILLEGAL DRUGS or INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR WILL BE PERMITTED AT THE CAMP.** If any of these rules are violated, parents will be notified to arrange for immediate transportation home. **NO EXCEPTIONS OR REFUNDS** will be made. Millikin University is a smoke free campus. Therefore, smoking or vaping will not be permitted anywhere by camp participants during our camp week.

## **EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS FOR MILLIKIN UNIVERSITY**

For emergencies ONLY call: (217) 424-3983 7:30 AM – 11:30 PM or Security (217) 464-8888 after hours.

## **AIRPORT SHUTTLES**

If you need transportation arrangements, please complete the Shuttle Transportation Form immediately. You can find this form at the link provided in your email. We will offer shuttle service to the Decatur, Bloomington and Springfield Airports.

## **EARLY ARRIVALS**

Camp does not officially begin until Sunday, June 19th and concludes at 4:00 PM Saturday, June 25th. SCA cannot be responsible for students the night before camp begins or the night camp ends. Students arriving on Saturday will be given guidelines and rules that they will be expected to follow on their own. Please complete and return the transportation form by June 11th to reserve extra housing. Housing for Saturday night before camp is \$25.00 per person.

**GROUP PHOTOS** will be available for purchase for \$35.00 each. Checks can be made to C Studio Photography. They also accept cash and credit/debit cards. Candid shots from the Final Concert will be available for purchase online at [cstudioinc.com](http://cstudioinc.com).

## **SCA WEAR**

We will again have a limited supply of SCA sweatshirts, t-shirts, tanks and water bottles available Sunday and throughout the week. Don't forget to bring extra money if you want to take the popular SCA Wear home with you.

## **EXTRA-CURRICULAR ENSEMBLES**

Looking to have a fun specialized performing experience? Besides being in one of the regular show choirs, students will have the opportunity to audition for one of two extra-curricular ensembles. Both groups require an extra hour of rehearsal each day following afternoon rehearsals. You do not need to prepare for the audition. Both groups will perform on Saturday at the Final Concert. Don't miss this opportunity to excel with other performers.

### **DANCE ENSEMBLE**

Auditions will be held Sunday afternoon at 4:00 PM  
(Check-In/Warm-Up begins at 3:30 PM)

All styles of dancers are welcome! Give it a try; it's going to be awesome! Bring dance shoes or sneakers. Technical dancers bring skin tone jazz shoes if you have them. Give it a try, it's going to be awesome! Should you be selected, plan to bring your favorite professional sports team jersey, t-shirt or top, black bottoms, and white sneakers as the performance costume.

### **VOCAL JAZZ ENSEMBLE**

There will be an audition sign-up sheet posted in the University Commons Lobby.

Auditions will be held on Monday beginning at NOON.

(No additional costume is required.)

### **"BLACK AND WHITE DANCE"**

Bring an outfit that's black and white for the Friday Night Dance. Casual or dressy, whatever you like, just make it black and/or white!

**FINAL CONCERT** costume for students will be a "Showchoir Camps of America" Performance T-shirt (to be received at camp Check-In), and white sneakers

Based on your identifying gender, please wear:

- Female: White shorts and white "no show" socks
- Male: Nice blue jeans

## **CANCELLATIONS**

If for any reason you are unable to attend camp in Illinois please call our office right away! (630) 663-4500

## **MAIL**

If you need to send something to a student attending camp –Address to:

Showchoir Camps of America, Camper's Name, c/o Millikin University, 1184 W. Main St., Decatur, IL 62522

## **VERY IMPORTANT**

### **HEALTH FORM**

A PARENT OR GUARDIAN must complete the REQUIRED **HEALTH/PARENT AUTHORIZATION FORM** for the participating child. Download the Health/Parent Authorization form [HERE](#). This must be completed before the day of Check-In, printed out and **notarized**. Please make and BRING THREE COPIES to Check-In. Please staple copies together in the upper left hand corner. It is important to include any health concerns or limitations that might affect your child's welfare during their camp week.

Campers in need of medical attention will be taken to St. Mary's or Decatur Memorial Hospitals; both are less than ten minutes away. All attempts will be made to consult with parent or guardian prior to taking participating child for treatment.

## COVID INFORMATION & PROTOCOLS

**EVERYONE** is required to take a COVID-19 Antigen (Rapid) Home Test before departing for campus on Sunday, June 19th. Take a photo on your phone of the test result and include your full name in the photo. Present the photo with the negative test result from your phone at Check-in.

**As a student**, to attend SCA you must provide either Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination or Proof of a negative **COVID-19 PCR Test** taken no earlier than 72 hours before the start of camp.

- If you did not upload your **Proof of Vaccination** in advance of camp, bring a copy of it with you to Check-In or email a copy to [info@showchoircamps.com](mailto:info@showchoircamps.com) today. We highly recommend that you are also up-to-date with boosters.
- If you are providing a **proof of a negative COVID-19 PCR Test**, you must bring **documentation** from your pharmacy or health care provider with you to present at Check-In.

**MOST IMPORTANT** - If you have a *positive* result from your rapid test or if you had a *positive PCR test*, do **not** come to campus even if you are not displaying symptoms. Call our camp number (217) 424-3983 and we will discuss what your next step should be.

**MASKS** - Bring enough surgical type masks to last the week should they be needed for any reason. KN95 or N-95 are most effective. You may bring a performance type mask from your school group, but additional masks should also be included.

We are **not** planning on masks being worn for the entire week or for the performance, but there may be sessions where masks are requested or needed. AT THIS TIME, we will require masks to be worn indoors by everyone on Sunday the day of Check-in.

What we want most is for everyone to have a fun and healthy week. Our hope is that these early steps and precautions will be beneficial to achieve that goal.

### What could additional protocols look like during the camp week?

- Should conditions, university, or state guidelines require it, indoor masking for all participants could be instituted for the entire week.
- If the participant is showing any symptoms of COVID-19 or is considered a close contact of someone with a positive result, there would be a mask requirement for that individual until test requirements can be determined.
- If an individual should show symptoms, a COVID Test will be required. The parent or guardian will be contacted and the participant or family will be responsible for the cost of testing.
- If the test produces a positive result, the participant will be placed in a COVID restricted area and must be picked up to go home within 12-24 hours of the positive test.

### CHECKLIST OF THINGS TO DO:

- Complete Payment
- Submit Transportation Form (if needed)
- Upload Vaccination form or Take PCR test within 72 hours of camp
- Fill-Out and bring **Notarized Health/Parent Authorization Form** (3 copies)

**Are you ready to have an SCA summer?? WE ARE! Get ready for a week filled with song, dance and lots of fun!**

See you soon,

*Dwight Jordan and Susan Moninger*

Co-Directors

**Showchoir Camps of America**