

2020 Competition FAQs

Region 19

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With the cancellation of Regional Contest, there will be much information to disseminate to all of you over the coming days. Sweet Adelines International (SA) Headquarters (HQ) staff and the International Board of Directors (IBOD) have a dedicated webpage to provide information, which can be found at <http://www.sweetadelines.com/SAInformed> . The Region 19 Regional Management Team (RMT) is further compiling this FAQ document to provide the most up-to-date information related specifically to Region 19's Competition. This document will be updated with new information as it becomes available.

Q: The SA email sent on March 12, 2020 mentioned that video contests would be held to determine Regional placements. How will this be conducted fairly?

A: The RMT is waiting for direction from SA HQ and the IBOD. Once we receive this direction, the RCSC will work to come up with a fair and consistent solution for all competing choruses and quartets.

Q: Now that the in-person Regional Competition is cancelled, will the choruses and members receive reimbursement of any fees we have already paid?

A: Any fees already received will be held until the RMT and RCSC have a better understanding of any remaining obligations to the hotel, other vendors, and any costs and/or fees related to the Contingency Competition Plan being finalized by HQ and the IBOD. If there are any fees that have not yet been paid to the Region (e.g. - competition fees, picture fees, video fees, etc.), please hold payment of these fees until we receive further information.

Q: What do we need to do regarding our hotel rooms at Regional Contest?

A: Your Chapter Housing Coordinator should have already received an email from the Region 19 Housing Coordinator confirming that all hotel reservations placed through the Region have been cancelled. Should you have any questions, please contact her at region19saihousing@gmail.com.

Q: We have scheduled a chorus event (e.g. – breakfast) at Regional Contest. How do we cancel this event?

A: If your chorus has scheduled a breakfast or other event either at the Lancaster Marriott or another off-site location, the chorus leadership should cancel this breakfast or other event themselves.

Q: What does the Region recommend regarding weekly rehearsals and other chorus events?

A: It will be up to each chorus to decide about your upcoming weekly chorus rehearsals, community performances, and Family & Friends performance. We encourage you to be sensible and sensitive to your members' needs and health, but the decision is ultimately up to each individual chorus.