



Greetings Region 19!!

Happy 30 Days Until Contest! I'm sure you are deep in the excitement of contest preparations! I'm thrilled that we will have 20 choruses and 19 quartets crossing the stage!

There are several changes and new information in this mailing, so please read carefully! Additionally, there have been, and will continue to be, some changes to the [Regional Convention website](#), so don't forget to check back often!

### Chapter Leaders and Competing Quartets:

#### Deadlines for TODAY:

- **Choruses and Quartets:**
  - **Regional Contest Registration/All Events Badge Deadline**
    - **Registration Reminder:** Per the Region 19 Standing Rules, all attending Region 19 members must pay regional convention registration fees (separate from Quartet and Chorus Entry Fees, which are paid to International).
  - **Choruses and Quartets: Video Orders Deadline**
- **Choruses:**
  - **In Chapter Host Deadline**
  - **Rehearsal Time Request Deadline**

For other deadlines, please refer to the Regional Convention website [here](#).

#### Pattern Video:

In addition to the map of the pattern, this year we've created a video walk through of the competitor pattern. Please click [here](#) to view all pattern information.

### Schedule Change for Friday:

The start time for the Quartet Contest is now 3:00pm, with a 2:45pm Curtain Call. We're excited to have Region 14's Champion Quartet Up All Night as mic testers.

Please click [here](#) to see the changes for Friday, including a change in time for the Mass Sing Run Through class and the start of the Mass Sing.

### Housing Update:

As of this writing, our housing block for the Lancaster Marriott has been completely sold out. Our Housing Coordinator is working on alternate housing as well as increasing our housing block at the Marriott. Updates

about housing may be found [here](#).

### COVID Reminders:

Per RMT guidelines, there are no mandatory COVID protocols in place. The RCSC would like to remind you to be prudent regarding your health and if you don't feel well prior to coming to contest, please consider taking a home test before arrival. Masks are optional to your comfort level in the venue and on stage. Choruses will not be penalized if members choose to wear a mask on stage.

### Registration Packets:

Due to the lifting of COVID restrictions, your friends may pick up and sign for your Registration packet for you (Registration will be in the Boutique area).

### Seating:

Please remember that seating in the Venue will be General Seating with the exception of invited VIP guests. Those with special seating needs, and their caretakers, if necessary, will also be accommodated (this request may be found on the Regional Convention Registration form – due today).

### Photography:

If you are in a non-competing registered quartet, consider the opportunity to use JB Photography, the official convention photographer, to take professional pictures of your quartet for promotional purposes and/or to update your picture on the regional website! The *Quartet Photography Form* may be found under the *Links to Google Forms* in the [Documents](#) section of the regional convention website – the deadline is the day of the Competitor Briefing, Thursday, May 18; however, if interested, please email [Sarah Nainan-Newhard](mailto:Sarah.Nainan-Newhard), Photography Coordinator, so that she can add you to the photographer's schedule.

### Want To Support Our Competitors?

There are **two** ways to show your support for your favorite quartets, choruses, coach and/or person! Deadline for both is May 1:

- **Convention Program Shout-Outs!**
  - These will also be read on air during the webcast. Click [here](#) to learn more.
- **Video Billboard Ads**
  - Click [here](#) to learn more.

### Webcast:

Tell all your friends and family about Region 19's Webcast! The webcast remains free to watch, but donations are greatly appreciated to help offset our costs! **Suggested minimum donation: \$20 per contest session.** Click [here](#) for more information.

That is all for now! And, as always, if you have any questions please feel free to reach out!

In Harmony,

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Chair - Regional Competition and Convention Steering Committee