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Discussion

This chapter contains information about concert preparation, choir tours, choral festivals, and competitions. This chapter talks about once the literature has been chosen, there are some other considerations to take into account such as programming, length of program, the printed program, technical concerns, and dress rehearsal. The program should be wisely put together to entertain the audience and keep their attention. The sequence of choirs throughout a program should be placed wisely with younger choirs at the beginning and mature choirs at the end. The length of the program should be short and sweet leaving the audience wanting more and come back for the next one. Too long of concerts will make the audience restless and not want to come back if all concerts will be that long. The printed program is also an important part of the program, which supplies the audience with the information about pieces and what sorts are going to be sung. There are also technical concerns such as tickets, piano tuning, student attire, and many more things that are also thought of when planning a program. Dress rehearsal is also an essential thing to run through the program and help the students be prepared for going on and off stage and other little things. All of these portions of a performance are essential to making the concert successful. All of these items will be helpful when I am planning my own concerts with my future choirs. The choir tours must be educational to the students. The length of the tour and dates, finances, housing, rules, and other things are thought of when planning these tours and all the information this chapter gives is all sorts of help for the music educator. Festivals and competitions are also a big part of the choral program with preparation and guidelines. This chapter contains a great deal of material that will be helpful to me when planning because I will need to know how to prepare the students and know the guidelines of going to competitions. This chapter along with many others will be incredibly helpful to my future program.