

# Reading Choral Society High School Choral Singer Scholarship Award 2023-24

Reading Choral Society (RCS) continues to provide educational programs that foster the love and continuation of choral music and offers talented young people greater musical opportunities.

During the 2023-24 season, RCS will award several high school vocal/choral students a scholarship toward their first year of college. This scholarship award <u>requires an audition</u>.

# **Eligibility**

- High School Seniors attending a Berks County high school and enrolling in a college, university, or conservatory for the 2024-25 academic year may apply.
- Applicants must be enrolled in the college of their choice as a vocal/choral music major OR as a participant in a vocal/choral performance ensemble with a minimum of two music courses.

### Commitment

- Selected winners will be asked to verify enrollment in a vocal/choral program or performance
  ensemble during the 2024-25 academic year after July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Your award will be sent upon
  receipt of a copy of your 1<sup>st</sup> semester schedule of courses. The schedule must include a minimum
  of two music courses, including a vocal ensemble, along with an enrollment verification provided
  by the college.
- Scholarship moneys will be sent to the Business Office at the chosen college after July 15<sup>th</sup> of applied academic year.

## **Application/Audition**

- 1) Deadline for notification of application: Wednesday, January 15, 2024 (application on RCS website or through vocal/choral director).
  - Please mail a hard copy or email a digital copy of your application to the RCS office by the deadline date above. (must be received by January 15)
  - Students must include a written recommendation from a current vocal/choral teacher at his or her attending high school. Recommendation should be sealed and mailed directly to RCS by teacher. (Teachers may email recommendation directly to RCS office).
  - Audition dates/times: in person-9:30am -12pm (Immanuel UCC, Shillington)
    - Saturday, February 10, 2024
    - Saturday, February 17, 2024
    - Please contact Susan at the RCS office to schedule an audition time (see below).
  - Audition Requirements:
    - Completed Scholarship Application
    - Two vocal selections of contrasting style. (4 copies of each should be sent with application these are for the use of the panel) Contrasting styles include opera, classical, pop, jazz, musical theatre. Etc. Please let us know if you need an accompanist for your audition.
    - A brief interview will be conducted by RCS's Scholarship Audition Panel.
    - Please submit a current photo & bio to be used for advertisement of scholarship winners.

# 2) Mailing Address:

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