

NHMC Children's Choral Festival Report, AJ Coppola

Planning for the ninth annual Children's Chorus Festival is underway.

Emma Forrest is conducting. She has chosen the rep and everyone is excited!

Alicia at Bow HS has given a tentative "yes" on hosting and I've followed up but haven't heard back about an official yes. I'll call this week if I don't get an email response (but she's usually great and the beginning of the year is always tough.)

The plan will be a Master Chorale rehearsal with kids 3:00-3:30 (and NHMC should have time to run something quickly on stage beforehand). Concert at 4:00. I've asked Alicia for space at Bow HS afterward for NHMC rehearsal.

I have talked to Maria Isaak at CCMS and the SAU 48 schools, and a few singers have reached out about bringing their students, but waiting to send out official registration until I get the details at 100%. I'm anticipating at least 40 students and probably not more than 60.

Haven't reached out to any sponsors yet, but I plan on asking our previous sponsors via email in the next few days. I suddenly have a lot of time on my hands! That being said, I'm fully confident the event will be "in the black".

I have made a repertoire list and information document of the [past festivals here](#).

My hope for the future of this festival is to chair it for another year and then transition away from chairing so someone else can breathe new life into the festival itself and bring new ideas. If anyone is interested I'm happy to show them the ropes at next year's festival also (or this one if someone already knows they want to take it over).

