

## Vocal/Piano Solo and Ensemble

### What is it?

Solo and Ensemble is a event where you will sing by yourself or in a small group (3-6 members, no duets) for a judge. The judge will give you comments about your performance and then an overall rating (Gold, Silver, Bronze or Participation). You are NOT competing against other students, but rather against the standard of what makes a "good" performance. \*This event is *only* for students who are very interested in singing and have the initiative to practice at home. Mrs. Smith will only be able to work with you after school one or two times prior to the event, so the majority of the preparation you do will be with a practice CD at home or with a private instructor. If you know you are someone who often commits and then does not show up, please do not enter the event.

### When is it?

**Saturday, February 11 at Westfield Middle School. A time slot for your performance is assigned to you prior to the event.** Solo and Ensemble events are held throughout the state at different locations. We are lucky in that our school hosts the event, so you just have to come here. If you do not want to sing for the event, we would love for you to be a volunteer and help out in other capacities.

### How much does it cost?

The entry fee is \$12 for a solo and \$6 per *member* of an ensemble. You will also need an accompanist (various prices, a list will be provided at a later date) or the original recorded accompaniment CD (which you can usually purchase with your music book, but not every piece of music comes with recorded accompaniment). Finally, you must have an original copy of your music. If it is not in Mrs. Smith's library, then you will have to purchase one yourself. Some may want to purchase the book to use at home as it will have many songs that you can perform in it in future years as well (books with CDs are usually between \$14.95 and \$24.95). Assume that you will take on these costs when you sign up. If you cannot afford the event, please do not sign up.

**Return this form WITH your entry fee to Mrs. Smith by Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. Late entries will not be accepted - even one day late. You must have payment with the entry or it will not be submitted.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

_____ SOLO (\$12)	_____ ENSEMBLE (\$6/member)
_____ I have an accompanist	_____ We have an accompanist
_____ I need an accompanist	_____ We need an accompanist
_____ I need music	_____ We need music

I would like to sing in....

Group I _____	Very difficult music (permission needed)
Group II _____	Difficult music (permission needed)
Group III _____	Medium difficulty music
Group IV _____	Medium/Easy difficulty music
Group V _____	Easy music

**FORM and FEE due WEDS., NOV. 30. NO LATE ENTRIES.**