

Organized Valley Rookie Member Participation Levels

These levels of participation are optional for Rookie Members only.

It is expected that a Rookie Member would complete the cycle within her first full year of membership.

EXPECTATIONS <i>by the end of the suggested time frame</i>	SONGS <i>(Taped and Passed)</i>	VOCAL PRODUCTION/ VISUAL	CONTEST/ PERFORMANCES <i>that fall within each four-month period</i>	SUGGESTED TIME FRAME *
LEVEL 1	Learn 2 audition songs, plus 3 additional songs, as determined by the Music Team & Director(s) (total of 5 songs from existing rep) Learn new rep songs as they are introduced	Watch "Fundamentals of Vocal Production and Visual Qualification" DVD (to be developed) as soon as possible after acceptance as new member to Organized Valley Chorus By the end of the 4-month period, show a basic understanding of these fundamentals	Attend contest or performances, but not as an on-stage performing member	Months 1-4
LEVEL 2	Learn 6 additional songs from existing rep, as determined by Directing & Music Teams	<u>Demonstrate the basics</u> of vocal production (posture, breathing, basic vowel placement +) and visual performance (face lifted, emotion of song, choreography +)	Possible on-stage participation at contest, if she qualifies by the deadlines established for the chorus as a whole Partial on-stage participation in performances (based on rep that has been passed)	Months 5-8
LEVEL 3	Learn remaining rep	<u>Demonstrate intermediate</u> vocal production (lift phrases, tall vowels, forward sound +) and visual performance (face "on", choreography learned +) ** i.e.; Vocal production and visual performance required of all chorus members: <i>Can she pass Rounds 2 and 3 of the Qualification Rounds Process?</i>	Full participation in contest and shows, based on qualification by the deadlines established for the chorus as a whole	Months 9-12

* Time frames are suggested. If a new member demonstrates a readiness and is comfortable moving on to the next level prior to the end of the four-month period, she is encouraged to do so upon discussion with her MDC mentor.

+ Vocal production/visual specifics included in this level, but not limited to the suggested elements; MDC mentor will assist Rookie with vocal production and visual expectations at each level during the process