2025 Virginia Baptist Music and Worship Arts Camp

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Music and Worship Arts Camp is a powerful opportunity to explore and expand our expressions of worship and to grow closer as a family of faith – joining together to praise God who created us for relationship!

Welcome!!! We are glad to have you with us as a chaperone for MWAC 2025! You will play an important role as you give guidance, suggestions, and encouragement to the students under your supervision.

If this is your first year attending camp, please take a moment to review this information about the concept of Music and Worship Arts Camp.

Camp Concept

MWAC is actually 3 camps in one. The Delta Track is a leadership track designed for 10th-12th grade students. The Omega Track is designed for 6th-9th grade students, and the Alpha track is designed for 4th-6th grade students. The grade levels for each camp are based on the school grade which has been completed. Directors may choose which camp their 6th graders attend. Because we have churches and localities that group 6th graders differently, there is no mention of grade levels at all by the leadership. The Alpha Track is primarily made of those who have completed Grades 4-5, with a few churches adding their 6th graders to the group. The Omega Track is primarily made of those who have completed Grades 6-9.

Each track is totally separate from the other. The tracks are together for worship, Morning Celebrations, Evening Features, and the Thursday evening/Friday morning final program. A camper may not attend classes in two tracks because the daily schedule for each track is slightly different. Each camper is expected to fully participate in the mass choir and attend their special interest classes every day. The camp is designed as a music and worship arts camp, and those who do not enjoy musical activities should find a camp that is more geared to their interests. The Alpha group has 2 choir periods daily, worship, and 2 different special interest classes. The Omega group also has 2 choir periods daily, worship, and 3 different special interest classes. A **sample schedule** for the week of camp is enclosed on page 6.

Deadlines to Remember

Camper & Chaperone On-Line Registration Opens	April 1
Chaperone Background Check forms submitted	July 7
Deadline for submitting registrations (to be guaranteed a camp t-shirt)	July 7

Background Checks

Regarding all adults and students 18 years of age and older attending Music and Worship Arts Camp: We want to do all that we can do to ensure that we are providing a safe and secure environment for the minors and the intellectually or physically disabled with whom we work and minister to. To help us achieve this goal, we require that each church complete a criminal background check through a reputable company for each adult or student 18 years or older planning to participate in MWAC. Any official background check your church has conducted within the past four years is acceptable. If any background check comes back with a felony or serious driving issue, please contact Eagle Eyrie to confidentially discuss the issue. Any person found to have criminal convictions related to sexual offenses or felonies related to children will not be permitted to attend. Once background checks have been completed for each person, ensuring that all of the requirements have been met, please have a ministerial staff member or church officer complete and sign the certification statement and return to Eagle Eyrie by July 7.

Chaperone Details

Chaperone Costs: The chaperone cost is the same as for the campers, and includes music and a t-shirt.

- ❖ In the event of registration cancellations, please contact Eagle Eyrie. There will be a 100% refund of paid program fees if notified by June 10; 50% refund of paid program fees if notified by June 24. No refund of fees if notified after June 24. All refunds will be processed following the conclusion of the camp.
- T-shirts are available for each camper, chaperone, and faculty member who completes a registration for camp. T-Shirts will be worn for the final Friday Concert ONLY. Registrations received after Monday, <u>July 7</u> are not guaranteed camp T-shirts.
- ❖ There will be an important meeting for chaperones on Monday night, after the Opening Celebration, to give general directions and answer questions. We will meet in Rooms 11-13 at 7:30 p.m. Please send at least one chaperone from each church! ALSO: Chaperones should accompany campers to all choir rehearsals.
- ❖ Each morning, a class is provided for younger children (ages 3-3rd grade) of chaperones who are not old enough to enroll in camp. Please indicate on the chaperone registration form if younger children will be participating in the chaperone children's class. Also, the pool will be open to the chaperones, and their younger children Wednesday morning from 10:30-11:45. Eagle Eyrie staff will have final determination on when the pool will be open.
- ❖ Chaperones are the key to the success of this camp and are responsible for the behavior of their campers at all times. Chaperones are sometimes needed in classes, definitely needed in rehearsals, and are encouraged to participate when able. Chaperones are role models for all the campers, and it is important for young people to see our own excitement and joy as we worship our Creator.

Camper/Chaperone Registration & Class Information

- The Primary Chaperone from each church/group should register their group for lodging and meals FIRST at: https://eagleeyrie.org/mwac/
- To prepare for the registration of all campers and chaperones, downloadable registration worksheets are available at https://eagleeyrie.org/mwac/ to print and distribute for campers and chaperones to fill out manually, and return to the Primary Chaperone of each church/group.

- Then, after all camper and chaperone registration worksheets have been collected, the Primary Chaperone ONLY (not individual campers and chaperones) from each church/group should submit the online registration of ALL campers and chaperones by going to https://eagleeyrie.org/mwac/. Classes are determined by order of receipt. There is a limit on the number of campers per church in each class, and some classes are limited in size. Depending on availability, campers may be able to switch classes on the first day of class. Please make sure all pertinent blanks are filled in for each camper and all Alpha and Omega campers give us 4 different choices for classes. Classes vary from year to year based on the availability of teachers.
- If a camper signs up and is placed in the Ukulele class, please make sure they realize they must bring a ukulele with them to camp. We may have a few ukuleles for use at camp, depending upon availability.
- Campers assigned to the **Photography Class** need to bring their own DSLR camera, point-and-shoot, OR a phone camera (all cameras welcome, and the teacher has a few for you to use if you don't have one).
- Encourage campers who play in school bands to register for the Instrumental Ensemble class and bring their band instruments. Campers who participate should have completed one full year of school band or its equivalent. Adults are welcome and encouraged to participate, also!

We Need Your Help!

- ❖ The Talent Show will be on Wednesday night with auditions on Tuesday afternoon. Each act should make arrangements for their own accompaniment. Groups are always especially welcome skits, stunts, songs, etc.
- Camp dress code policy: Eagle Eyrie is a church- related assembly and everyone attending camp should dress accordingly. We ask that all present adhere to a public school dress code.
 - * Shorts and skirts should be no shorter than the fingertips when arms are fully extended down to the sides.

- * Width of straps on tops should be at least one inch, and please avoid halter tops, spaghetti straps, and tube tops.
- * No offensive logos or slogans.
- * Swimsuits should be <u>modest</u> in design (one-piece or <u>modest</u> two-piece suits, please!).
- * Hats are <u>not</u> to be worn during worship.
- Our policy regarding cell phones at camp Please limit the campers 'use of cell phones to free time or times after the evening classes. Cell phones should not be used during any class period (excluding Photography class) or during any rehearsals.
- A pencil will be given to each camper. Please make sure that they are taken to choir rehearsal. Please bring a sharpener for your campers to use throughout the week.
- Class attendance, discipline, and assisting campers to maintain a proper attitude is the responsibility of the chaperones.
- ❖ "Lights Out" Means Quiet Also. If lights are on after designated times, this means that you need assistance. Please help your campers recieve an appropriate amount of rest.

Eagle Eyrie Info

- No mixed groups of boys and girls in bedrooms -- only in the hotel lobby or lodge living rooms.
- Students are permitted to leave the assembly grounds only with adult permission and accompaniment. Permission should be granted only during hours when there are not scheduled classes.
- ❖ There are many cars and people at Eagle Eyrie. Please use extreme caution, observing the 15 mph speed limit and the one-way signs. We ask that only adults drive cars, except in emergencies.

MONDAY everyone

2:00 p.m.	Registration Begins	6:30 – 7:10 p.m.	Opening and Worship
2:20 p.m.	Pool Opens	7:15 – 8:50 p.m.	Choir
3:30 p.m.	Auditions for Vocal and Handbells	7:55 – 8:50 p.m.	Instrumental Ensemble
	(Omega and Delta tracks)	8:05 – 8:50 p.m.	Sectionals
4:00 p.m.	Faculty Meeting	9:00 p.m.	Pool Opens
5:30 p.m.	Dinner	10:10 p.m.	Group Devotion
6:00 p.m.	Auditions continue	10:45 p.m.	Lights Out

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ALPHA TRACK T-TH		OMEGA TRACK T-TH	
7:15 - 8:00 a.m.	Breakfast	7:15 - 8:00 a.m.	Breakfast
8:00 – 8:10 a.m.	Morning Celebration	8:00 – 8:10 a.m.	Morning Celebration
8:20 - 9:10 a.m.	Class Period I	8:20 - 9:10 a.m.	Choir
9:20 - 10:10 a.m.	Choir/Sectionals	9:20 - 10:10 a.m.	Class Period I/Aud Vocal
10:10 - 10:30 a.m.	Break	10:10 - 10:30 a.m.	Break
10:30 - 11:20 a.m.	Class Period II	10:30 - 11:20 a.m.	Sectionals/Instrumental
11:30 – 12:20 p.m.	Worship	11:30 – 12:20 p.m.	Worship
12:30 p.m.	Lunch	12:30 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 – 1:45 p.m.	Quiet Time	1:00 – 1:45 p.m.	Quiet Time
2:00 – 2:50 p.m.	A.L.P.H.A.S.'s - A lphas	1:15 p.m.	Auditioned Handbells
L earning P saln	ns, H ymns, A nd S pirituals	2:00 – 2:50 p.m.	Class Period II/Aud HB
2:50 – 5:00 p.m.	Free Time	2:50 – 5:00 p.m.	Free Time
5:30 p.m.	Dinner	2:55 – 3:25 p.m.	Auditioned Vocal
6:20 – 6:50 p.m.	Alpha Time	5:30 p.m.	Dinner
7:00 – 7:50 p.m.	Choir	6:20 – 6:50 p.m.	Choir/Instrumental
8:00 p.m.	Evening Feature	7:00 – 7:50 p.m.	Class Period III/Instrumental
9:00 p.m.	Pool Opens	8:00 p.m.	Evening Feature
10:10 p.m.	Group Devotion	9:00 p.m.	Pool Opens
10:45 p.m.	Lights Out	10:10 p.m.	Group Devotion
		10:45 p.m.	Lights Out

DELTA TRACK T-TH 7:15 – 8:00 a.m. Breakfast

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7:15 - 8:00 a.m.	Breakfast	9:00 p.m.	Pool Opens
8:00 - 8:10 a.m.	Morning Celebration	10:10 p.m.	Group Devotion
8:20 - 9:10 a.m.	Omega Choir	10:45 p.m.	Lights Out
9:20 - 10:10 a.m.	Omega Assist/Aud Vocal		
10:10 - 10:30 a.m.	Break	FRIDAY everyone	
10:30 - 11:20 a.m.	Alpha Class Assist	7:15 a.m.	Breakfast
11:30 – 12:20 p.m.	Worship	8:00 a.m.	Small Group Rehearsals
12:30 p.m.	Lunch	8:30 a.m.	Alpha Choir
1:15 – 2:50 p.m.	Delta Time	9:00 a.m	Omega Choir
2:55 – 3:25 p.m.	Auditioned Vocal Ens.	9:30 a.m.	Break/Instrumental Rehearsal
2:55 – 5:00 p.m.	Free Time	10:15 a.m.	Final Worship and Program Part Two
5:30 p.m.	Dinner	12:15 p.m.	Lunch
6:20 – 6:50 p.m.	Omega Choir/Instrumental		
7:00 – 7:50 p.m.	Delta Bible Study		
8:00 p.m.	Evening Feature		