



2025 VOCAL ARTS CAMP CAMPER HANDBOOK

In this handbook, you will find important information, links, a tentative camp schedule, and more. Please read this handbook in its entirety to prepare for your visit to SIUE Vocal Arts Camp.

CAMP CONTACT INFORMATION

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**If you have an emergency while your student is on campus,
use this phone number: 618-650-3324**

GENERAL INFORMATION

- The main objective of the SIUE Vocal Arts Camp is to sing choral and vocal music, learn new things about choirs, music, and ourselves, and have fun!
- The final day of camp will conclude with a full mixed choir concert led by Dr. Myrogiannis Koukos at 7 pm in Dunham Hall Theatre. All are encouraged to attend, and admission is free!
- Camp counselors facilitate day-to-day student activities. In addition to counselors, adult staff members are always present on campus to oversee camp activities.
- The camp is not responsible for students who leave camp outside of scheduled pickup times.
- Counselors are dispersed to ensure that campers are always accompanied, and because of the high volume of campers, we cannot schedule special pickup times for non-emergencies.
- Alcohol, tobacco, drugs, vapes, and firearms are NOT allowed on SIUE's campus.

Residents

- **The deadline for roommate requests is WEDNESDAY, JULY 3rd.** Any requests made after that time cannot be guaranteed.
- Please review the **packing list on p. 7** to ensure you are aware of what you need to bring with you for camp. For example, residents will need to bring their own linens (i.e., pillow, sheets, towels, and a blanket.)

REGISTRATION & CHECK-IN

Please see the attached map on pg. 3-4 for parking and drop-off locations.

Resident Registration

- After checking in, campers will walk to the residence hall to drop off their things before heading to Dunham Hall.
- Campers will not be allowed to go back to their rooms during the day. They should bring everything they need with them including their music and name badge and any other items they need for the duration of the day.

Reminders for ALL CAMPERS

Before check-in, fill out the appropriate forms!

PARKING

Residents









- Resident campers should **NOT** bring a car to campus. You must request a parking pass at check-in. Space is not guaranteed.
- **Temporary parking for Resident Registration** will be available in Lot E (pictured below).

Commuters

- Commuter campers may park/be dropped off in Lot E (pictured below).

Edwardsville Campus Core Parking Map



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|  Lot B: Pay Lot (Visitor Parking) |  P4-P12: Registered Vehicles for Students |  Lot D, Lot G: Registered Vehicles for Faculty and Staff |
|  Lot C: Pay Lot (2 hour limit per transaction) |  P1, P2, P3: Registered Vehicles for Faculty & Staff |  BH, PH, WH, EH: Registered Vehicles for Residents |
|  Lot A, Lot E: Registered Vehicles and Pay-by-Space Parking | | |
|  Lot F: Registered Vehicles and Pay-by-Space Parking | | |

Parking Lot E (in green) and Dunham Hall (building number 6).



Detail: *Parking Lot E* (in green) and *Dunham Hall* (building number 6).

MEALS

- All meals are included in resident tuition. Lunch and dinner are included in the commuter tuition.
- Meals can accommodate all types of food allergies, most commonly nut and gluten, as well as vegetarian preferences.
- If you have any dietary needs/restrictions, please email us in advance.

REHEARSALS

- Counselors will take roll throughout the day. Please be on time for all rehearsals and attendance checks. A tentative schedule is included on pg. 8-9
- All rehearsals will take place in Dunham Hall. Sectional rehearsals are located throughout the building and our final rehearsal will be held in Dunham Hall theatre.
- Plan to bring a pencil, refillable water bottle, and your music for all rehearsals.

END-OF-DAY ACTIVITIES

Commuters are welcomed and encouraged to stay for all evening activities!

Night 1: Counselor Concert

Night 2: Game Night!

Night 3: Campers Talent Show

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Bookstore Visit

As the schedule allows, we try to take a trip to Cougar Store, so campers can purchase official SIUE merch. Campers should consider bringing a form of payment for this trip!

Senior Masterclass Opportunity

If you are a rising senior this year TCU Choir Camp is excited to once again offer our Faculty Masterclass! Participants will receive valuable, personalized feedback from one of our world-class SIUE Vocal Professors. Click [here](#) for more information and for the registration link.

We are looking forward to seeing you at camp! If you have any other questions, please feel free to email Dr. MK at nmyrogi@siue.edu.

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Camp Director

Dr. Alicia Canterbury Vorel

Associate Camp Director

CHOIR CAMP RULES & EXPECTATIONS

- Residents will follow all Residence Hall Rules.
- All campers will follow local, state, and federal laws while on campus.
- Possession of firearms or illegal substances will result in removal from camp.
- All SIUE Facilities are **NON-SMOKING**.
- Campers are not permitted to leave camp at any time.
- SIUE and SIUE Vocal Arts Camp are not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- Any incidents or accidents need to be reported to your counselor or administrative staff immediately.
- You may not order any food delivered to camp. We will dismiss you from all meals; please do not attempt to leave early. Stay with the big group while walking across campus. Do not wander off on your own.
- Stay engaged in rehearsals and learn as much as you can; do not impede another camper's ability to learn and enjoy rehearsal.
- Get some sleep and take care of your instrument.

Failure to follow camp rules may result in the participant being removed from camp without a refund.

Harassment Statement (2025): SIUE Vocal Arts Camp is committed to maintaining an environment free from mistreatment of or by others. Participants shall not engage in bullying, cyberbullying, harassment, physical altercations, hazing, making threats, inappropriate or indecent exposure of private parts, conduct that constitutes sexual or gender-based harassment, coercion of others, extortion, or inappropriate verbal or physical conduct directed toward another person. Recording the voice or likeness of another individual in a way that invades their privacy is also prohibited. Any reports of the mistreatment of others will be immediately investigated by camp administrators and SIUE Police. Participants who are found to have engaged in the mistreatment of others will be removed from camp without a refund.

PACKING INFORMATION

Camp is soon! We can't wait to see you!

It's about time to start planning what you're going to bring.
We want you to feel prepared, so here are some ideas for all our campers:

Commuter Campers:

- ☐ **Signed Camp Waiver and Health Information and Consent Form**
- ☐ Pencils
- ☐ Water bottle
- ☐ Your ID badge (you'll get this at registration)

Resident Campers:

- ☐ **Signed Camp Waiver and Health Information and Consent Form**
- ☐ Clothes for 4 days
- ☐ Bed linens (*Note: Beds are **XL Twin**, but Queen size sheets work fine*)
- ☐ Pillow
- ☐ Towel
- ☐ Shower shoes or flip flops
- ☐ Comfortable walking shoes - we will be walking a lot!
- ☐ Any snacks/drinks you may want in your room
- ☐ Anything you need to audition for the Talent Show
- ☐ Phone charger
- ☐ Toothbrush/toothpaste
- ☐ Shampoo/conditioner
- ☐ Soap
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ Pencils
- ☐ Water bottle

CAMP SCHEDULE

Monday

3.00 pm: Students arrive/check-in
4.00 pm: Meeting with Parents
4.20 pm: Welcoming Games led by counselors
5.30 pm: Dinner
6:30 pm: Opening Session/Rehearsal
8.15 pm: Dismissal

Tuesday-Thursday

7.30 am: Breakfast
8.30 am: Arrival in DH
8.40 am: Session #1 (Mixed choir)
9.50 am: Break
10.00 am: Session #2 (S/A and T/B choirs)
10.50 am: Break
11.00 am: Session #3 (Mixed choir)
11.35 am: Lunch break
1.00 pm: Session #4 (S/A and T/B choirs)
2 pm: Break
2.10 pm: Session #5 (Counselor-led)
3.00 pm: Break
3.10 pm: Session #6 (Musical Theater piece)
4.00 pm: Camp Social Activity (see below)
5.30 pm: Dinner
6.30 pm: Session #7 (Mixed choir)
7.15 pm: Break
7.30 pm: Camp Traditions (see below)
8.30 pm: Dismissal

Friday – Concert Day!

8.30 am: Breakfast

9.30 am: Arrival in DH

9.40 am: Dress Rehearsal

11.00 am: Visit to MUC/Cougar Store

12.00 pm: Lunch break and dress-up

1.30 am: Arrival at DH Theatre

1.40 am: Warm-up

2.00 am: Sound checks/Start-stop pieces

4.30 am: Early Dinner break and dress-up

5.45 pm: Warm-up, review and Line-up backstage

6.30 pm: Doors open

7.00 pm: Concert

8.15 pm: End of Concert – dismissal to parents

9.00 pm: Cleaning of spaces completed – End of Camp

Camp Social Activities

Tuesday: Picnic at SIUE Gardens

Wednesday: Singing masterclass/prep for Talent Show

Thursday: Prep for Talent Show

Camp Traditions

Tuesday: Counselor Concert

Wednesday: Game Night!

Thursday: Campers Talent Show