



## Announcement of Principal Conductor Opening

The Greater Dallas Choral Society invites applications for the **Treble Youth Chorus Principal Conductor** position, available in July 2024.

### The Organization

The Greater Dallas Choral Society for children and youth is the premiere choral ensemble for singers in grades 4–8 throughout Dallas-Fort Worth. GDCS proudly carries forward the 25 year old legacy and mission of the Children’s Chorus of Greater Dallas, which is to give children and youth an experience in choral artistry in a group that reflects the diversity of Dallas.

In our first two seasons under the name GDCS, we have been named as “the official children’s chorus of The Dallas Opera,” collaborated with Dallas area arts groups, and performed in beautiful venues throughout the city. The 2024–2025 season boasts collaborations with The Dallas Opera, the Greater Dallas Youth Orchestra, the Dallas Winds, performances at the Meyerson Symphony Center and the Winspear Opera House, an appearance at the national convention of the American Choral Directors Association, and the joy of children and youth creating beauty with their voices. GDCS has three children’s choruses for singers in grades 4–8, and two high school choruses for singers in grades 9–12.

<b>2024–2025 GDCS Confirmed Performance Dates</b>
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<b>Sunday, October 6, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.</b>	Zion Lutheran Church	<i>First Song</i> concert	Cantabile, Treble Youth, and Youth Choruses
<b>Sunday, December 1, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.</b>	Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center	<i>Fall Into Winter</i> concert	All Choruses
<b>Wednesday, December 18, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.</b>	Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center	<i>Holiday Magic</i> concert with the Greater Dallas Youth Orchestra	Treble Youth and Youth Choruses
<b>Sunday, February 16, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.</b>	Lovers Lane United Methodist Church	<i>Sing Into Spring</i> concert	All Choruses
<b>Sunday, April 6, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.</b>	Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center	<i>Season Finale</i> concert	All Choruses

### Principal Conductor Position – Treble Youth Chorus

A member of GDCS’s artistic staff, the Treble Youth Chorus Conductor leads a chorus of 9th–12th grade treble voices with varied musical experience. This rehearses for two hours on Monday evenings during the school year. Rehearsals are held at Lovers Lane United Methodist Church (LLUMC), 9200 Inwood Rd. in Dallas. Treble Youth Chorus performs two to three times each semester.

Repertoire for the Treble Youth Chorus is selected by the conductor and approved by the artistic director. All GDCS choruses have a collaborative pianist and two assistant conductors.

## **Candidate Profile**

The successful candidate for this part-time principal conductor position will demonstrate a love and respect for children, an understanding of children, a passion for and knowledge of children's vocal development and a desire to share beautiful music with them. The successful candidate will be an excellent musician. Candidates must have excellent vocal skills, excellent conducting ability, good rehearsal piano skills, and a commitment to the musical/educational philosophy and approach used by the staff of GDCS.

## **Compensation**

Part-time principal conductors are salaried positions.

## **Applications**

Please send a resume and cover letter that describes both your interest in GDCS and your qualifications for the position. Please send materials by Thursday, April 18, 2024 to:

Kim Ahrens, Artistic Director  
[kim@dallaschoralsociety.org](mailto:kim@dallaschoralsociety.org)

PLEASE NOTE WHICH POSITION(S) YOU ARE APPLYING FOR IN YOUR APPLICATION MATERIALS.

## **Finalists will be observed in their own choral setting.**

Learn more about GDCS's musical approach and teaching techniques by observing a rehearsal on April 15 or 22. Email Kim Ahrens at [kim@dallaschoralsociety.org](mailto:kim@dallaschoralsociety.org) if you wish to observe a rehearsal.

You are also encouraged to attend our *Season Finale* concert on April 28, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. at the Meyerson Symphony Center. Visit our web site at [www.dallaschoralsociety.org](http://www.dallaschoralsociety.org) to learn more. Questions about the position should be sent to [kim@dallaschoralsociety.org](mailto:kim@dallaschoralsociety.org).