**RMT Report May 4, 2025 Kim Wonders, Education Coordinator**

* **Education Steering Team - We met on 4/23/2025**
  + We talked about our recent regional competition;
    - 19 Quartets Competed, all but three scored above 400
    - 14 Choruses competed, every chorus scored above 400
    - I shared with them a Chorus Health report that I put together. I also included a chart I created after regional competition with chorus scores from 2019-2025 and the Judges Observations for Quartets and Choruses from regional competition.
    - We discussed our choruses that are on the watch list and at risk.
  + **June Event 20 & 21, 2025 - Vickie Maybury**
    - I have emailed our International Bound Competitors and invited them to perform on the Saturday Night Show - Capital City Chorus, Cincinnati Sound Chorus and Lipstick Scoundrels have accepted the invitations.
    - I have invited Columbus and One Voice Choruses to perform 2 songs each on the Saturday night show. Both have accepted the invitation.
    - I have emailed every chorus in the region inviting them to sing one song that weekend. I sent a reminder email this week.
    - We will have the Leadership Development Program Graduation during the Saturday Night Show.
    - A Tentative Schedule has been sent to Liz and Lura.
  + **Future Events**
    - Singing Summit January 23 & 24, 2026 - Erin Howden. I have sent her the Judges Observations for Quartets and Choruses from this spring’s competition. I will reach out to her to talk about classes this summer.
    - **Conflict Management Class for Directors** -VIcki Petzco has agreed to present this ninety minute virtual class to our directors on Aug. 3, from 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm EST.
* **Future events to consider**
  + - Singing Summit 2026 - We have not selected a date for this event. We need to do this so that I can invite a faculty.
    - June Event 2026 - Have a Kookie Quartet Contest on Friday Evening.
    - Quartet Workshop in 2027 with Lady A cappella. I have asked Kerry if Lady A cappella would plan a Quartet Workshop in Sept. of 2027.
* In light of the presentation and promotion of the THRIVE Program I have asked Beverly and Myra if we can include $5000-$6000 in the 2025-2026 Budget so that we will be able to provide funded musical visits to our choruses that can’t afford outside coaching.
* **International Fund Visits** - We used 13 International Funded visits this year.
* **Rising Stars of Region 4** - I need to find a new coordinator for this program.