

2024 State Choir Contest Performance Schedule

Date (26)	Warm-Up	Performance	Class	Ensemble	
Friday 4/12/2024	8:40 AM	9:00 AM	MS	Hermosa Middle School Choir	
Friday 4/12/2024	9:00 AM	9:20 AM	MS	Heights Middle School Choir	
Friday 4/12/2024	9:20 AM	9:40 AM	MS	Ruidoso Middle School Choir	
Friday 4/12/2024	9:40 AM	10:00 AM	MS	Koogler Middle School Advanced Choir	
Friday 4/12/2024	10:00 AM	10:20 AM	MS	Eisenhower Middle School Concert Choir	
	10:20 AM	10:40 AM			
Friday 4/12/2024	10:40 AM	11:00 AM	MS	Gonzales Community School Middle School Choir	
Friday 4/12/2024	11:00 AM	11:20 AM	MS	Picacho Middle School Combined Choirs	
Friday 4/12/2024	11:20 AM	11:40 AM	MS	Lincoln Middle School Treble Choir	
Friday 4/12/2024	11:40 AM	12:00 PM	MS	Nina Otero Community School Choir	
Friday 4/12/2024	12:00 PM	12:20 PM	MS	El Dorado Community School Concert Choir	
Awards ceremony for Middle School to be held at approximately 12:50 PM					
Friday 4/12/2024	1:00 PM	1:20 PM	A-5A Treble	Organ Mountain HS Varsity Treble Choir	
Friday 4/12/2024	1:20 PM	1:40 PM	A-5A Treble	Public Academy for Performing Arts Les Chanteuses	
Friday 4/12/2024	1:40 PM	2:00 PM	A-5A Treble	Centennial HS Bella Voce Treble Choir	
Friday 4/12/2024	2:00 PM	2:20 PM	A-5A Treble	Moriarty High School	
Friday 4/12/2024	2:20 PM	2:40 PM	A-5A Treble	Alamogordo High School Treble Makers	
Friday 4/12/2024	2:40 PM	3:00 PM	A-5A Treble	Los Alamos High School Bel Canto	
	3:00 PM	3:20 PM			
Friday 4/12/2024	3:20 PM	3:40 PM	A-5A Treble	Eldorado High School Gold Rush	
Friday 4/12/2024	3:40 PM	4:00 PM	A-5A Treble	Volcano Vista High School Vivace Varsity Choir	
Friday 4/12/2024	4:00 PM	4:20 PM	A-5A Treble	Portales High School Treble Choir	
Friday 4/12/2024	4:20 PM	4:40 PM	A-5A Treble	Santa Fe High School Vox 25	
Friday 4/12/2024	4:40 PM	5:00 PM	A-5A Treble	Capital High School Treble Choir	
	5:00 PM	5:20 PM			
Friday 4/12/2024	5:20 PM	5:40 PM	A-5A Treble	La Cueva High School Treble Choir	
Friday 4/12/2024	5:40 PM	6:00 PM	A-5A Treble	Rio Rancho High School Bel Canto	
Friday 4/12/2024	6:00 PM	6:20 PM	A-5A Treble	Clovis High School Women's Select Choir	
Friday 4/12/2024	6:20 PM	6:40 PM	A-5A Treble	V. Sue Cleveland High School Bella Voce	
Friday 4/12/2024	6:40 PM	7:00 PM	A-5A Treble	Piedra Vista High School Pipettes	







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Saturday 4/13/2024	8:40 AM	9:00 AM	A-3A	Ruidoso High School Choir	
Saturday 4/13/2024	9:00 AM	9:20 AM	A-3A	St. Michael's High School Choral Arts Society	
Saturday 4/13/2024	9:20 AM	9:40 AM	4A	Moriarty High School Messengers	
Saturday 4/13/2024	9:40 AM	10:00 AM	4A	Artesia High School Varsity Chorale	
Saturday 4/13/2024	10:00 AM	10:20 AM	4A	Lovington High School Aristocat Choir	
Saturday 4/13/2024	10:20 AM	10:40 AM	4A	Los Alamos High School Concert Choir	
Saturday 4/13/2024	10:40 AM	11:00 AM	4A	Portales High School Chamber Choir	
Awards ceremony for Class A-3A and 4A to be held at approximately 11:30 AM					
Saturday 4/13/2024	11:40 AM	12:00 PM	5A	Piedra Vista High School Chamber Choir	
Saturday 4/13/2024	12:00 PM	12:20 PM	5A	Sandia High School Concert Choir	
Saturday 4/13/2024	12:20 PM	12:40 PM	5A	Mayfield High School Mixed Ensemble	
Saturday 4/13/2024	12:40 PM	1:00 PM	5A	Farmington High School Mixed Choir	
	1:00 PM	1:20 PM			
Saturday 4/13/2024	1:20 PM	1:40 PM	5A	La Cueva High School Concert Choir	
Saturday 4/13/2024	1:40 PM	2:00 PM	5A	Rio Rancho High School Concert Choir	
Saturday 4/13/2024	2:00 PM	2:20 PM	5A	Hobbs High School A Cappella Choir	
Saturday 4/13/2024	2:20 PM	2:40 PM	5A	V. Sue Cleveland High School Concert Choir	
Saturday 4/13/2024	2:40 PM	3:00 PM	5A	Clovis High School Chamber Choir	
Awards ceremony for Class 5A to be held at approximately 3:30 PM					

Class

Ensemble

Performing Ensembles by Classification

Middle School Choirs

Date (16)

Hermosa Middle School Matadors

Director: Alexus Vicenti

Accompanist:

Music Selections:

Warm-Up Performance

Yonder Come Day JAM! - Tracy Wong Oye - Jim Papoulis

Heights Middle School Troubadours

Director: Siromani Leath

Accompanist: Melissa Mortensen

Music Selections:

Dixit Dominus - Antonio Vivaldi Arr. Patrick M. Liebergen

Poor Wayfaring Stranger - Christi Jones

Bhombela - Will Skaff

Ruidoso Middle School Choir

Director: Colin McAllister Accompanist: Melba Valdez Music Selections:

> Omnia Vincit Amor - Micheal John Trotta We are the Dreamers - Joan C Varner Glory Bound - arr Jean Anne Shafferman

Koogler Middle School Advanced Choir

Director: Paul E Cranfill
Music Selections:

Truth - Andrea Ramsey

Tres Canciones de los Elementos - Victor C. Johnson

The Awakening - Joseph Martin

Eisenhower Middle School Concert Choir

Director: William Gonzales Accompanist: Geoffrey St. John Music Selections:

Omnia Vincit Amor - Michael John Trotta

The Old Mill - Kenneth Riggs Amani (Peace) - Audrey Snyder

Gonzales Community School Middle School Concert Choir

Director: John Tiranno
Accompanist: Elizabeth Young
Music Selections:

Jubilate Deo - arr. Doreen Rao Benedictus - Bruce Tippette Come to the Music - Joseph Martin

Picacho Middle School Combined Choirs

Director: Virginia Ramos Accompanist: Anton Tan Music Selections:

> Yonder Come Day - Judith Cook Tucker A La Nanita Nana - Arr. Victor C. Johnson Eneza Upendo (Spread Love) - Jim Papoulis

Lincoln Middle School Treble Choir

Director: Miguel Jaramillo Accompanist: Ronda Schripsema Music Selections:

> After the Rain - Sarah Quartel Changes - Audrey Snyder Il Lampo - Ryan Main

Nina Otero Community School Choir

Director: Caiti Lord Accompanist: Will Varner Music Selections:

Yonder Come Day - Judith Cook Tucker

Kusimama - Jim Papoulis Harvest Moon - Cristi Cary Miller

El Dorado Community School Concert Choir

Director: Galen Prenevost Accompanist: Will Varner Music Selections:

Take Me Back, O Hills I Love - Appalachian Canon, arr. G. Prenevost

Canta Una Cancion - Victor C. Johnson The Autumn Reel - Audry Snyder

Class A-5A Treble Choirs

Organ Mountain Varsity Treble Choir

Director: Ida M. Holguin Accompanist: Anton Tan Music Selections:

And Miriam Sang Shiru L'Adonai - Zebulon M. Highben

Weep No More - David N. Childs

Ain't Gonna Let Nobody Turn Me Around - Rollo Dilworth

Public Academy for Performing Arts Les Chanteuses

Director: Edmund Torrez Accompanist: Raul Manjarrez Music Selections:

Bonnie Wood Green - Stephen Hatfield

Iodana - Michael Barrett Revelation - Z Randall Stroope

Centennial High School Bella Voce

Director: Jeonai Batista Accompanist: Ji Young Han Music Selections:

Let There Be Peace On Earth - Arr. Ruth Dwyer & Martin Ellis

As Costureiras - Heitor Villa-Lobos Yo Le Canto Todo El Dia - David L. Brunner

Moriarty High School Advanced Treble Choir

Director: Audrianna Aragon Accompanist: Nathan Cleveland Music Selections:

Sing Out My Soul - Marques L.A. Garrett J'entends le moulin - Donald Patriquin

Rise My Soul - Susan Labarr

Alamogordo High School Treble Makers

Director: Mrs. Kasandra Chew (Bryant) Accompanist: Geavonna Bryant Music Selections:

Sim Shalom (A Prayer for Peace) – Will Lopes

The Water is Wide – Greg Gilpin

Soran Bushi (Fisherman's Song) – Wendy B. Stuart

Los Alamos High School Bel Canto

Director: Jason Rutledge Accompanist: Xander Mancino Music Selections:

> Ukuthula - Traditional/Andre van der Merwe Rise, My Soul - Traditional/Susan Labarr

Dies Irae - Ryan Main

Eldorado High School Gold Rush

Director: Emery Edwards
Accompanist: Geoffrey St. John
Music Selections:

Hanerot Halalu - Sarah Riskind

Swing Down Chariot - arr. The Vagabonds

What Happens When a Woman - Alexandra Olsavsky

Volcano Vista High School Vivace Varsity Choir

Director: Joseph Mitchell Accompanist: Melissa Spencer Music Selections:

Common Silence - Marie-Claire Saindon

Inveniam Viam - Ryan Main Moon Flight - Daniel Brinsmead

Portales High School Treble Choir

Director: Maggie Mendoza

Accompanist: Heather Christensen

Music Selections:

In The Valley - Matt Podd

Dominus Vobiscum - Jacob Narverud

Nothin' Gonna Stumble My Feet - Greg Gilpin

Santa Fe High School Vox 25

Director: Caleb Heaton Accompanist: Debbie Wagner Music Selections:

Il Iampo – Ryan Main

O Magnum Mysterium – Evan Ramos Eatnemen Vulie – Frode Fjelheim

Capital High School Treble Choir

Director: Alicia Dickinson

Accompanist: Bryan Hutchinson

Music Selections:

Bella Ciao - Christi Jones

Where the Light Begins - Susan LaBarr Lunar Lullaby - Jacob Narverud

La Cueva High School Treble Choir

Director: Katherine Green Accompanist: Ronda Schripsema

Music Selections:

Bring Me Little Water, Sylvie - Moira Smiley

J'ai vu le loup - Emily Crocker Shule Aroon - Ruth Elaine Schram

Rio Rancho High School Bel Canto

Director: Rebecca Kendall

Accompanist: Anna-Yumi Kang-Walker

Music Selections:

Dies Irae - Main Lineage - Ramsey

Criome Mi Madre - Nunez Praise His Holy Name - Hampton

Clovis High School Women's Select Choir

Director: Tami Martin Accompanist: Sarah Sena Music Selections:

Sigh No More, Ladies - Ruth Morris Gray

Beati Omnes - Richard Ewer

The Cloths of Heaven - Eleanor Daley

V. Sue Cleveland High School Bella Voce

Director: Jadira Flamm Accompanist: Becky Talbott Music Selections:

Hotaru Koi - Arr. by Ro Ogura

Nuit D'Etoiles - Debussy/Arr. by Alan Raines All Together We Are Love - Katerina Gimon

Piedra Vista High School Pipettes

Director: James Golden Accompanist: Robyn Woodard Music Selections:

Legatum - Ryan Main

Good Night, Dear Heart - Dan Forrest Wade in the Water - Kevin Phillip

Class A-3A Choirs

Ruidoso High School

Director: Colin McAllister Accompanist: Melba Valdez Music Selections:

You are the New Day - arr. Peter Knight

Dona Nobis Pacem - Amadeus Wolfgang Mozart

Come to the Music - Joseph M Martin

Choral Arts Society of St. Michael's High School

Director: Carmen Florez-Mansi Accompanist: Paul Roth Music Selections:

Ave Maria - Tomás Luis di Victoria

I Will Live - Brian Sharpe

Even When He Is Silent - Kim André Arnesen

Class 4A Choirs

Moriarty High School Messengers

Director: Audrianna Aragon Accompanist: Nathan Cleveland

Music Selections:

Dies Irae - Michael John Trotta Verduron - Randy Haldeman Sing Unto the Sky - Karen Marrolli

Artesia High School Varsity Chorale

Director: Susie Parker

Accompanist: Jennifer Wright Music Selections:

Danny Boy – arranged by: Russell Robinson Tu Sangre en la mia - Shawn Kirchner

Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel - Arr. By Patti Drennan

Lovington High School Aristocat Choir

Director: Elijah Estrada Accompanist: James Golden Music Selections:

> The Eternal Gates - Howard Helvey Die Nachtigall - Felix Mendelssohn The Awakening - Joseph M. Martin

Los Alamos High School Concert Choir

Director: Jason Rutledge Accompanist: Xander Mancino Music Selections:

La la la, Je le vous dirae - Pierre Certon

If ye love me - Thomas Tallis Emily's Creed - Philip E. Silvery

Portales High School Chamber Choir

Director: Maggie Mendoza

Accompanist: Heather Christensen

Music Selections:

Gloria—Joseph Haydn Arr. Ryan Kelly All Things New—Elaine Hagenberg

Poor Wayfaring Stranger—Alexander Lloyd Blake

Class 5A Choirs

Piedra Vista High School Chamber Choir

Director: James Golden Accompanist: Robyn Woodard Music Selections:

Lamentations of Jeremiah - Z. Randall Stroope

Deep Peace - Elaine Hagenberg Tchaka - Sydney Guillaume

Sandia High School Concert Choir

Director: Alyssa Arruti

Accompanist: Ronda Schripsema

Music Selections:

Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel? - arr. Jay Althouse

Il Lampo - Ryan Main

Omnia Sol - Z Randall Stroope

Mayfield High School Mixed Ensemble

Director: Anton Tan Accompanist: Jeonai Batista Music Selections:

> Esto Les Digo - Kinley Lange The Pasture - Z. Randall Stroope Jubilate Deo - Emily Crocker

Farmington High School Mixed Choir

Director: Katie Patton Accompanist: Levi Brown Music Selections:

Hine Ma Tov - Neil Ginsberg

Wanting Memories - Ysaye M. Barnwell

Festival Sanctus - John Leavitt

La Cueva High School Concert Choir

Director: Katherine Green Accompanist: Ronda Schripsema Music Selections:

Canto Que Amabas - Z. Randall Stroope

Magnificat in B flat Major, Movement 1(My Soul Doth Magnify the Lord) - Francesco Durante

Lord, I Know I Been Changed - Bruce More

Rio Rancho High School Concert Choir

Director: Rebecca Kendall

Accompanist: Anna-Yumi Kang-Walker

Music Selections:

Dies Irae - Mozart, arr. Liebergen

Earth Song - Ticheli

Elements: Air & Fire - Gimon

Hobbs High School A Cappella Choir

Director: Cameron Colson Accompanist: Julio Castillo Music Selections:

Bullerengue – Jose A. Rincon

Even When He is Silent - Kim Andre Arnesen

Luminous Night - Ola Gjeilo

V. Sue Cleveland High School Concert Choir

Director: Jadira Flamm Accompanist: Becky Talbott Music Selections:

Viva! from II re pastore - Mozart/Arr. by Patrick Liebergen

Emily's Creed - Phillip E. Silvey

Balleilakka - A. R. Rahman/Arr. by Ethan Sperry

Clovis High School Chamber Choir

Director: Tami Martin Accompanist: Sarah Sena Music Selections:

Go Down, Moses - Traditional Spiritual/arr. by David Eddleman

Ubi Caritas - Ola Gjeilo

The Music of Living - Dan Forrest

State Choir Contest Thank-You's

The New Mexico Activities Association would like to thank the host of the 2024 State Choir Contest, V. Sue Cleveland High School and Rio Rancho Public Schools. We thank you for your willingness to work with us and to provide a wonderful venue for the State Choir Contest participants in our state. A special thanks to:

Keith Abrahamson, Fine Arts/Theater Tech – Cleveland High School

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Dr. Sue Cleveland, Superintendent – Rio Rancho Public Schools

Jadira Flamm, Choir Director - Cleveland High School

Kurt Schmidt, Director of Fine Arts for Rio Rancho Public Schools

Neil Swapp, Executive Director of New Mexico Music Educators Association

We would like to thank the Cleveland High School Choir for serving as runners, ensemble escorts and stage crew for the contest. A special thank you to the Rio Rancho Convention and Visitors Bureau for their sponsorship of this event. This event would not be possible without all of you!

NMAA State Choir Contest Past Champions					
Year	Host	Class	Champions		
2008	Albuquerque Academy	1A-3A	West Las Vegas High School		
		4A	Piedra Vista High School		
		5A	Manzano High School		
2009	Capital High School	MS	Koogler Middle School		
		1A-2A	Victory Christian School		
		3A	West Las Vegas High School		
		4A	Piedra Vista High School		
		5A	Hobbs High School		
2010	Albuquerque Academy	MS	Ruidoso Middle School		
		1A-2A	Victory Christian School		
		3A	Sandia Preparatory School		
		4A	Piedra Vista High School		
		5A	Eldorado High School		
2011	Albuquerque Academy	MS	Lynn Middle School		
		1A-2A	Victory Christian School		
		3A	West Las Vegas High School		
		4A	Piedra Vista High School		
		5A	Eldorado High School		
2012	Albuquerque Academy	MS	Desert Ridge Middle School & Vista Middle School (tie)		
		1A-2A	Cloudcroft High School		
		3A	Sandia Preparatory School		
		4A	Piedra Vista High School		
		5A	Carlsbad High School		
2013	Cleveland High School	MS	Eisenhower Middle School		
		1A-2A	Victory Christian School		
		3A	New Mexico School for the Arts		
		4A	Piedra Vista High School		
		5A	Carlsbad High School		
2014	Cleveland High School	MS	Eisenhower Middle School		
		1A-2A	Victory Christian School		
		3A	Lovington High School		
		4A	Piedra Vista High School		
		5A	La Cueva High School		
2015	Cleveland High School	MS	Eisenhower Middle School		
		A-3A	New Mexico School for the Arts		
		5A	Los Alamos High School		
		6A	La Cueva High School		
2016	Cleveland High School	MS	Eisenhower Middle School		
		A-3A	New Mexico School for the Arts		
		4A	Portales High School		
		5A	Piedra Vista High School		
		6A	Eldorado High School & Rio Rancho High School (tie)		
2017	Cleveland High School	MS	Eisenhower Middle School		
		A-6A Treble	La Cueva High School		
		A-3A	New Mexico School for the Arts		
		4A	St. Michael's High School		
		5A	Los Alamos High School		
		6A	La Cueva High School		
2018	Cleveland High School	MS	Lincoln Middle School		
		A-6A Treble	Farmington High School		
		A-3A	Capitan High School		
		4A	Portales High School		
		5A	Artesia High School		
		6A	Piedra Vista High School and Rio Rancho High School (tie)		

2019	Cleveland High School	MS	Lincoln Middle School
		A-5A Treble	Clovis High School & Volcano Vista High School (tie)
		A-3A	St. Michael's High School
		4A	Portales High School
		5A	Piedra Vista High School
2020 &	2021 Canceled due to pandemic		
2022 Clev	Cleveland High School	MS	Heights Middle School and Los Alamos Middle School (tie)
		A-5A Treble	Public Academy for the Performing Arts
		A-3A	New Mexico School for the Arts
		4A	Portales High School
		5A	Piedra Vista High School
2023	Cleveland High School	MS	Heights Middle School
		A-5A Treble	Public Academy for the Performing Arts
		A-3A	St. Michael's High School
		4A	Portales High School
		5A	Clovis High School

Adjudicators' Biographies



Leigh Ann McClure (Texas) – The child of two music educators, Leigh Ann McClure has been the Head Choral Director of the Central High School Choral Music Department in Keller ISD for 17 years. The CHS Choral Department consists of over 300 students, 3 directors, eight concert choirs, and two show choirs. Ms. McClure previously taught in the Arlington, Cleburne, and Alvarado ISDs. She received the BME degree from Baylor University and MME from The University of North Texas.

In addition to having numerous TMEA All-State Choir members, she teaches several all-state camps each year and is an active adjudicator, clinician, and honor choir conductor. Ms. McClure has served the Texas Choral Directors' Association as Secretary; the Texas Music Educators' Association Vocal Division as Region Secretary,

MS/JHS Region Coordinator, Region and Area Chair, 2012 and 2013 All-State Women's Choir Organizer, and is currently Area B Division Mentorship Chair; and the Texas Music Adjudicators' Association as Vocal Vice-President. In 2013, she was a recipient of the Texas University Scholarship League "Sponsor of Excellence" award.

McClure is particularly proud of the Keller Central Chamber Women. This ensemble is honored to have been selected as one of twelve choirs to perform at the 2024 Texas Music Educators' Convention in San Antonio. In 2021, this treble choir was named the winner of the inaugural "America's Got Choirs" contest and in 2022 was awarded "Best Live Performance" by the judges in that competition. In the spring of 2022, they were honored to perform in concert at Baylor University alongside the widely regarded Bella Voce women's ensemble. The Chamber Women were then named "Outstanding Treble Choir" in both 2022 and 2023 at the prestigious Festival Di Voce choral competition held at Dallas Baptist University and in 2023, the Chamber Women were named

"Reserve Grand Champion" at Festival di Voce as well. Most recently, the ensemble was named a National Winner in the 2023 Mark of Excellence/National Choral Honors project sponsored by The Foundation for Music Education. The choir is extremely honored to have been selected as one of twelve choirs to perform a concert at the 2024 Texas Music Educators' Convention in San Antonio.

In addition to directing this ensemble, she also conducts the Chamber Singers Mixed Choir, Scarlet Singers treble choir, and is the codirector of the Voices of Central Show Choir. In her spare time she enjoys playing golf, traveling, and spending time with her adult children and their spouses as well as her four adorable grandsons. She also enjoys singing and playing handbells at Keller United Methodist Church, where her sweetheart, Carl Lorey, is Director of Music and Worship.



Nathaniel Gillette (Wyoming) — Nathaniel Gillette is the Director of Choirs at Riverton High School and Riverton Middle School in Riverton, Wyoming, where he directs a jazz choir, a women's choir, mixed choirs, and serves as the music director for both the high school and middle school musicals. Nathaniel is an active member of ACDA and NAfME, teaches voice privately, and is an active clinician and adjudicator. Nathaniel holds a Master of Arts in Vocal Performance from the University of Wyoming, a Bachelor of Arts in Music and a Master of Arts in Music Education from Truman State University, and a Specialist Certificate in Live Sound and Acoustics from the Berklee College of Music.



Matias Garcia (Texas) - Matias A. 'Matt" Garcia, has been a music educator for 48 years. He is a graduate of Texas A&I University in Kingsville, TX. He has taught music at all levels, from pre-K to community college. He was very active in his community, in Laredo and was honored with a proclamation by the Laredo City Council. In Laredo, he played many leading roles for the Laredo Little Theater. He has taught in Alice, Laredo's Nixon and Martin High School, VMT Magnet School, Brownsville's St. Joseph Academy, New York, and

Miami and for 1996-2014 was the Choir Coordinator for Donna ISD. He also served as the Choir Chair for the Texas Music Educators Association in Region 28 Under his leadership, the Donna Choir program, grew strong and all the choirs have received a UIL Sweepstakes rating. Mr. Garcia is known for his rendition of the National Anthem and has sung for Several Texas Governors, the Joint House of Legislature of Texas, for the Governor of the Day, honoring Laredo's Sen. Judith Zaffarini. His choir in

Laredo, TX. was invited to perform for the Texas Association of School Boards and Texas Association of Secondary Administrators. Most recently, he was invited to sing for the Council of State Governments National Convention in San Antonio and was honored with the Honorary Title of Singer Laureate, for the State of Texas. He was chosen in 2014 to be the Texas All-State Tenor-Bass Choir section leader. He is a member of TMEA, TCDA TMAA and ACDA. He is married to Maria Alonzo Garcia and has two children Natalie and John Paul. Mr. Garcia has been retired since 2014 but continues to consult and adjudicate at several Schools in Texas. He resides in Weslaco Texas.





