

ROADMAP TO THE NEXT LEVEL

Instructions: Review the following list of skills and activities. Mark the ones that you are currently embracing.

A SECTION LEADER'S JOB		
Skill/Activity	NOW	NEXT
Build and maintain a strong relationship w/Director; be a cheerleader.		
Attend rehearsals regularly; act as a role model in all your behaviors		
Take notes at rehearsals & communicate with section weekly.		
Reinforce and teach vocal skills (breath, posture, resonance/space, vowels, etc.).		
Know the notes and words solidly, and able to hear problem spots.		
Know the Director's interpretive plan (dynamics, breaths, phrasing)		
Play keyboard in sectionals to assist with difficult passages.		
Director of your section (arm-waving, start/stop).		
Review marked-up music together, including tuning concepts (i.e., P-tuning).		
Know the voices in your section.		
Update learning tracks as songs evolve (per director/coaches).		
Reinforce characterization.		
Reinforce lyrical inflection/vocal texture to enhance message.		
Review changes in sheet music with section (per Director).		
Use teaching styles that match your singers' learning styles.		
Know the musical strengths of singers and utilize their different skills.		
Use Director's terminology to achieve unity in vocal production.		
Reinforce Director's lessons/instructions on vocal skills.		
Teach and strengthen unity in vowel matching and diphthongs.		
Teach and strengthen understanding of vocal placement.		
Teach and strengthen the BBS craft skills/knowledge of your singers.		
Check horizontal tuning (intervals) and tonal center for accuracy.		
Check vertical tuning (chords) with singers from other sections.		
Set up extra sessions away from rehearsal night.		
Invite experts to work with your section (from other choruses).		
Participate in your chorus QC program(s); report results to Director.		
Understand the competition judging categories; read the JCDB.		
Build relationships & teamwork in your section.		
Seek and develop future section leaders.		
Attend music/vocal education workshops!	X	