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Dear colleagues,

I am writing to invite you to an exciting musical event that will be held on the campus of Loyola University on March 15. Organized by Pueri Cantores, the first Chicago National Catholic High School Choral Festival will give your choir the opportunity to work on their repertoire with the wonderfully talented Lee Gwozdz, Director of Music at Corpus Christi Cathedral, Texas. Additionally, all participating choirs will come together in a festival format to sing an anthem and hymn, both of which will be included in the 2016 Choral Festival and Mass for High School Choirs. All rehearsals will take place in the Madonna della Strada Chapel, which is located on the shoreline of Lake Michigan. It is a beautiful sacred space with an amazing acoustic. It is requested that all students dress in school uniforms of black bottom/white tops for the event.

While you are here visiting the Loyola Campus, your students are invited to eat in one of our dining halls. I recommend that you contact Catherine Griffin at <u>griff-catherine@aramark.com</u> (773-508-3425) with your reservation and to pre-pay for your students. Directions to the various dining halls will be made available the day of the event.

If you are coming by bus, there is free parking for your bus at Devon and Hoyne, very close to campus. If you are driving via car, you can park in the Main Parking Structure just west of the Chapel. Further parking information can be found at the following website: http://www.luc.edu/campustransportation/generalinformation/lakeshorecampus/

Feel free to contact me with any questions you might have. I look forward to meeting you and hearing your choir.

Best wishes, Kirsten Hedegaard Director of Choral Activities Loyola University