

BARBERSHOP HARMONY SOCIETY



EVERYONE IN HARMONY

International Contest Expansion
Revised Proposal

MODIFICATIONS TO PROPOSAL

Based on your feedback from the June proposal we made some modifications.

District Representation

If no chorus or quartet achieves a qualifying score, the **highest scoring chorus or quartet** (regardless of classification) will qualify. The district representative will need to achieve a minimum score to qualify. For 2021, minimum score is 74% for choruses; 76% for quartets.

Size of Final & Semifinal Rounds

Based on your feedback, this proposal keeps the number of quartet competitors at 10 for the finals and 20 for the semifinals.

PROJECT VISION:

**SIMPLICITY IN
IMPLEMENTATION
&
EQUALITY IN
COMPETITION**

HOW DOES A QUARTET OR CHORUS QUALIFY FOR INTERNATIONAL?

PROCESS IS THE SAME FOR ALL QUARTETS AND CHORUSES

STEP ONE

Register your quartet or chorus with BHS

STEP TWO

Enter any available prelims contest

STEP THREE

Achieve a score of 78%+ (quartets) or 81%+ (choruses) *

*These are the recommended qualification scores for Cleveland 2021. This number could be changed on an annual basis by the BHS Executive Director in an effort to achieve the desired number of competitors.

Preliminary Contest Details

In an effort to achieve Everyone in Harmony, we will remove all geographic barriers in terms of qualification:

- Competitors will be allowed to enter any available preliminary contest to qualify for International regardless of district affiliation
- Competitors will be allowed a second attempt to achieve the qualifying score by competing in multiple local events, if they choose
- A 2nd attempt will erase the 1st attempt score in terms of possible wild card qualification

RECOMMENDATION

By January 1, 2020, BHS publishes dates and approximate locations of all preliminary contest events for Cleveland 2021.

In 2021, the BHS International Competition will be open to competitors of any gender. This means that anyone can attempt to qualify to compete in the BHS International Convention.

The 2021 convention in Cleveland will be the first fully expanded International Convention.

WE INVITE YOUR FEEDBACK!

THREE OPTIONS FOR HOW AWARDS ARE STRUCTURED HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED

THREE CLASSIFICATIONS, 5 MEDALISTS EACH

- **Champions and medals awarded in each of the 3 classifications -- men's, women's, and mixed for choruses and quartets.**
- **With this option, men are competing only against other men, women against other women, and mixed groups against mixed groups.**
- **Three champions and sets of medals will be recognized and no overall winner is declared.**

WE INVITE YOUR FEEDBACK!

THREE OPTIONS FOR HOW AWARDS ARE STRUCTURED HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED

1 OVERALL CHAMPION, 5 MEDALISTS

- **One champion and set of medals** awarded to the top 5 scoring ensembles, regardless of classification: men's, women's, or mixed harmony.
- With this option, all the groups are competing against each other.
- BHS International champion is the **highest scoring ensemble, regardless of classification:** men's, women's, or mixed harmony.

WE INVITE YOUR FEEDBACK!

THREE OPTIONS FOR HOW AWARDS ARE STRUCTURED HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED

1 OVERALL CHAMPION, 5 MEDALISTS + 3 AWARDS

- One champion and set of medals awarded to the top 5 scoring choruses and quartets, 3 additional awards recognizing winners in each classification.
- With this option, the groups are competing within their classification while also competing against all other groups for the championship and top spots.
- Overall top 5, with 3 classification awards; similar to how districts handle awards today with multiple contests occurring at the same time.