



Membership Report for the Illinois District

September 4, 2026

The current membership of the Illinois District is 494, which reflects a decline of seven members since January of this year. There are currently 25 chapters listed as active by the BHS, two of which have only one member and are not currently meeting.

Three chapters have fewer than 10 members. They are Macomb, Bureau County, and Peoria. Long time Macomb member and current President Craig Rigg reports the chapter remains active despite low turnout. They usually sing with around 10 members. Despite losing a co-director, the Prairieland Chorus has sung as guests with the local choral society. They fundraised with their lemon shakeup stand and donated the proceeds to three high school groups who volunteered to help them.

Craig said the future of the chapter is in doubt, even though they are hanging on for now.

Calls and texts to the presidents of Bureau County and Peoria were not returned. Two of the chapters with which I liase, Carbondale and Waterloo, remain active in their communities and their numbers are holding steady.

Illinois District Census, September 2026

Chapter	Number of Active Members	Status
Champaign Urbana	0	Charter Closed
Chicago Metro	20	Active
Chicago No. 1	0	Charter Closed
Chicago Western Suburban	46	Active
Coles County	32	Active
Collinsville	0	Charter Closed
Frank Thorn	13	Active
Danville	25	Active
Decatur	1	Active
Peoria	5	Active
Northbrook	48	Active
DuPage Valley	48	Active
Quincy	0	Charter Closed
Elgin	19	Active
Rock Island	1	Active
Rockford Metro	20	Active
Rockford	15	Active
Arlington Heights	20	Active
Aurora	16	Active
Sandoval	0	Charter Closed
Belleville	25	Active
Bloomington	90	Active
Kankakee	0	Voluntary Dissolution pending
Kishwaukee Valley	0	Voluntary Dissolution pending
Bureau County	7	Active
Lake County	22	Active
Springfield	24	Active
Carbondale	12	Active
Macomb	7	Active
Sterling Rock Falls	18	Active
Waterloo	18	Active
Will-Cook	14	Active
Total	501 Active Members	25 Active Charters