



West Virginia Governor's School for the Arts

Dance Audition

Students interested in auditioning for dance should prepare an 8-10 minute video using the specifications listed below.

General:

- Begin the video by stating your name, age, where you are from, and date of birth.
- No close-ups or video from the mirror.
- The dancer should always be the focus.
- Please wear traditional ballet attire - black leotard & pink or flesh-toned tights for female-identifying students; white t-shirt, black opaque tights and dance belt for male-identifying students; either option for non-binary students.
- Long hair should be secured in a bun, twist, or other secure up-do. No loose or dangling hair (long ponytail).

Part I - Ballet

Demonstrate the following:

Barre Work: Record only ONE side for each barre exercise. (Maximum of 1 minute per exercise)

- Plié
- Tendu/Dégagé
- Rond de jambe/fondu
- Grand Battement

Center Work:

- Center Adagio (include Développés and a Promenade)
- Waltz Pirouette (include en dehors pirouette from 4th position)
- Petit Allegro (include glissade, jeté, assemblé, pas de chat)

Part II – Modern Dance

Self-choreograph a modern/contemporary dance no longer than 90 seconds. This is your opportunity to explore your creativity and share with us who you are as an artist. The choreographic study can have a meaning, an emotional quality, or be solely based on movement. The music you chose cannot have lyrics and you do not have to cut or edit for length.

Please include the following:

- Phrase work that travels into and out of the floor
- Jumps and rotating/turning movement
- Variety in dynamics (variations in speed and movement quality)
- Variety in levels (low, medium, high)

File Submission

- Record the video using the highest quality possible.
- Upload the video as an unlisted video on YouTube.
- Create a PDF with the URL to the location of your video and submit it to the following file submission. Include your First and Last Name, School, and “Dance Audition Video” as a title to the PDF. Please ensure you have granted public access to the video. WVDE and GSA staff must be able to view the video.
- **You must include your first and last name in the file name.**

File Submission: <https://tinyurl.com/msdvpszv>

An example of what the PDF file should include:

**John Doe
Pocahontas County High School
Dance Audition Video**

Video Link:

<https://youtube.com/dance1audition>