

Middle School: Dance Audition Requirements

The Dance Department is welcoming middle school students who have a passion for dance, and are interested and committed to focused dance training in Ballet and Modern at SDSCPA. Formal dance training in Ballet and Modern is not required to be accepted into the SDSCPA Dance Program.

To apply to the SDSCPA Middle School Dance program:

Please complete an audition video. Your audition video should be recent (within one month of submission) and must include the following components. Your video should not exceed 5 minutes in length.

Preparing your Audition Video

We need to be able to see you clearly in your video. Make sure that your camera is positioned and the lighting allows us to see you. Please wear form-fitted athletic or dance attire. Please secure hair off your face and neck, so that we can see your movement and you can move safely.

Please include the following components:

- 1. Introduction. Please introduce yourself by answering the following questions:
 - What is your first and last name?
 - What is your age?
 - What grade will you be entering in the Fall?
 - Why do you want to attend SDSCPA?
 - What do you love about dance?
 - Have you ever taken dance before? If so, what types and for how long?

2. Perform a solo

• Prepare and perform a solo in any dance style that demonstrates and highlights your passion for dance. Your solo can be your own choreography or someone else's, and should be approximately 30 seconds - 45 seconds in length. Choose music that is appropriate for a school setting. (A list of composers has been provided if you need guidance in finding the right music for your solo.)

Students will be evaluated individually. Areas of assessment will include:

- Creativity
- Passion

<u>List of Composers</u>

Using a composer's music on this list is **NOT REQUIRED** for your audition solo. However, you may be able to find a piece of music that suits your needs that is school appropriate by using this list.

- Johann Sebastian Bach
- George Frideric Handel
- Johann Pachelbel
- Antonio Vivaldi
- Ludwig van Beethoven
- Franz Joseph Haydn
- Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
- Philip Glass
- Arvo Part
- Steve Reich
- Jennifer Higdon
- Ludovico Einaudi
- Georges Bizet

- Johannes Brahms
- Frederic Chopin
- Claude Debussy
- Antonin Dvorak
- Franz Liszt
- Gustav Mahler
- Felix Mendelssohn
- Erik Satie
- Sergei Rachmaninoff
- Nicolas Rimsky-Korsakov
- Franz Peter Schubert
- Robert Schumann
- Richard Strauss

- Pytor Illyich Tchaikovsky
- Giuseppi Verdi
- Richard Wagner
- Samuel Barber
- Bela Bartok
- Maurice Ravel
- Benjamin Britten
- John Cage
- Aaron Copland
- George Gershwin
- Alexander Glazunov
- Aram Khatchaturian
- Oliver Davis