North Carolina Governor’s School 2021
Dance Auditions - Instructions

This document lists instructions for students who are creating their recorded Dance audition for the 2021 Governor’s School.

1. Preparations
   a. Camera - Professional video cameras are not required; most cell phone cameras are sufficient. Just ensure picture and sound clarity. You may mount your camera on a tripod or have someone operate it. Set your camera to LANDSCAPE setting, not portrait. For cell phones, this usually means just turning your phone on its side.
   b. Space - Use at least a 10 ft. x 10 ft. space. A studio or gymnasium floor is ideal; if that is unavailable, you can use another clear indoor or outdoor space.
   c. Lighting - Make sure the lighting is adequate for viewing and that you are not backlit (i.e., don’t have a lamp or sunlight coming through a window behind you).
   d. Clothing/Jewelry/Hair
      i. Barefoot is preferred; however, if your floor/surface requires footwear, you may wear sneakers.
      ii. Any dancewear or activewear that you can easily move in is acceptable. Make sure your clothing color is not the same as your background or floor.
      iii. Refrain from wearing jewelry and secure your hair up and away from your face if it is shoulder-length or longer.

2. Recording
   a. General - There are four parts required for the video audition. Each part or section should be one continuous shot with no edits or splicing; however, you will need to edit the four sections together into one video file. OR you may choose to do all four parts as one continuous shot - pauses in the film to set up for the next section are acceptable. You may record your individual sections multiple times and choose the best one to submit. Videos should not exceed 8 minutes in length.
   b. Overview of Video Audition https://youtu.be/qbyxiz37Jc4
      i. Part 1: Introduction (name, age, hometown, fun or interesting fact) https://youtu.be/vITYFYK0qPE
      ii. Part 2: Warm-up (perform facing camera right, left, right, left) https://youtu.be/eSEULdpnUgQ
      iii. Part 3: Movement phrase through space (perform facing camera to music listed below) https://youtu.be/rZwboB-3VeA
      iv. Part 4: Composition Work (follow written instructions for composition work)
3. **Additional Resources**
   
a. Music for “Part 3: Movement phrase through space” is “Moonlight Sonata (First Movement from Piano Sonata No.14, Op.27 No.2)” by Ludwig van Beethoven.  
   i. [https://open.spotify.com/track/7xfSCqVOkJhVxngzepATH](https://open.spotify.com/track/7xfSCqVOkJhVxngzepATH)

4. **Video Submission**
   
a. **DO NOT SHARE WITH OR SHOW YOUR VIDEO AUDITION TO OTHERS.** This is only to be viewed by Governor’s School officials.
   
b. Select your audition video and upload it to YouTube with the **unlisted** setting. For help, go to [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com). For example, here is one of many handy tutorials available: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jaftEW9W13U&t=4s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jaftEW9W13U&t=4s).
   
c. When you have uploaded your video to YouTube (unlisted), go to [https://forms.gle/XJb8iibvocBkceo9Q8](https://forms.gle/XJb8iibvocBkceo9Q8). **Deadline: Monday, February 8.** You may submit your audition only once. Any additional submissions will be automatically rejected.
   
d. You will receive an automatic confirmation of the form receipt. **Please DO NOT contact the Office of the North Carolina Governor’s School for further confirmation.** The Office will contact you only if there is a problem.
   
e. On or around March 2, the Office will send lists of student selections to schools/school systems. On or around March 9, the Office will send selection/non-selection letters directly to students.