GIFTED/TALENTED PROGRAMS
333 S. Beaudry Ave., 25th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017

Requirements for an Audition in the Performing Arts
(for GATE Identification, Grades 2-12)

Audition Dates:
3rd Saturday in November and 3rd Saturday in May

DANCE
Student will not be allowed to participate if attire is not appropriate.
♦ Student participates in a warm-up.
♦ Prepare a one-minute, age-appropriate dance to music that is selected and prepared prior to the audition. Student should bring a device (charged or with fresh batteries) with music cued to the starting point. No streaming of music allowed. Dance style and musical choices are open and must be age-appropriate (e.g., ballet, tap, hip hop, etc.).
♦ Perform a short dance improvisation.
♦ Perform a short sequence of choreographed movements, if necessary.
♦ Student should wear appropriate dance clothing (no costumes, big shirts, jeans, or oversized sweats). Students may wear black and white leotards, tights, t-shirts, sweats and appropriate dance shoes or bare feet. Long hair should be tied back or pinned up neatly.
DRAMA
No costumes. Comfortable clothing is recommended.
♦ Student prepares presentation which may be a memorized 15-30 line age-appropriate monologue or acting routine from a play of your choice (Max. 2 min.); no profanity.
♦ Student should be prepared to give a cold reading or an improvisation on a piece assigned by the evaluator at the audition.
VOICE
Student should bring either sheet music for an accompanist (or their own accompanist) or a device with music only as an accompaniment (charged or with fresh batteries) with music cued to the starting point. No streaming of music allowed.
Selection must be age-appropriate.
♦ Be prepared to sing one verse and chorus of an age-appropriate song selected and prepared prior to the audition. (Singing a song a capella is not recommended.)
♦ Listen to and sing back intervals and rhythms played on the piano.
♦ Sing a song taught by the evaluator at the audition.

Conduct During Assessment:
Students displaying unacceptable behavior will be asked to leave.

Contact School of Attendance to Start Paperwork
♦ Students must attend LAUSD schools and reside within LAUSD boundaries.
♦ All Charter Schools within LAUSD boundaries must contact the Charter Schools Division to request the Fee-for-Service Form and submit it with the application in order for students to participate.
♦ School initiates the referral in MiSiS and submits student paperwork four weeks prior to audition date.
♦ Log onto achieve.lausd.net/gate, click GATE Identification and select Identification Categories for additional information.
Evaluation:
Students will be evaluated based on a number of criteria including the Visual and Performing Arts Content Standards for California Public Schools: http://www.cde.ca.gov/be/st/ss/documents/arts_for_california_public_schools.pdf

Special points of interest:
♦ Students whose paperwork is complete and legible will be invited by letter. The letter must be presented at registration.
♦ Arrive on time (30 min. before the audition).
♦ Student selection in dance, drama and voice must be age-appropriate.
♦ One audition per year, per category.
♦ November/May cancellations must be in writing to GATE Office prior to the assessment—fax is 213-241-8975.
♦ Parents will receive letter of eligibility approximately 4-6 weeks after audition.

Contact Information
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