

North Port High School Visual and Performing Arts Dance Department Auditions

Audition/placement dates for the 2023-2024 school year:

All current 8th grade students interested in auditioning for the VPA Dance program, and NPHS students who are not currently enrolled in dance and are interested in placement into the VPA Dance double block courses.

• Saturday, April 1st 5:00PM-7:00PM (8th Grade students, current NPHS non VPA students, & transfer students).

Final Audition

• Saturday, May 13th 5:00PM-7:00PM (8th Grade students & transfer students).

Auditions will be held in building 2 room 119.

Students can be dropped off by the bike racks in the teacher's parking lot. Look for the first blue door it will be to your right. Please note we do not allow family or friends to observe auditions. Thank you for understanding.

Audition Components:

• The audition will consist of two 50-60-minute technique classes. One being Ballet and the other being a mix of Modern and Jazz techniques. The total audition will be 2 hours. Please make sure that you arrive 15 minutes early so that you have time to check in and begin warming up.

• Completed VPA Application: Required for all students seeking acceptance into our VPA program. Please bring a photocopy of your most recent report card. Non-VPA Students who would like to be considered for placements higher than the beginning level dance courses at NPHS must attend the placement auditions. These students are not required to complete the VPA Packet but should bring a photocopy of their most recent report card.

Proper Dancewear for Auditions:

<u>Females-</u> Leotard, flesh colored tights, ballet slippers, jazz shoes, and hair in a bun.

Accepted forms of clothing for those who do not have dance wear would be:

Solid black leggings and a fitted t-shirt, (please bring socks if you do not have dance shoes yet) hair secure off the face in a bun or ponytail.

Please **NO** bra tops, or short athletic shorts!

<u>Males-</u> Solid black bike shorts mid-thigh or to knee, solid white t-shirt, and black ballet slippers and black jazz shoes.

Accepted forms of clothing for those who do not have dance wear would be:

Sweatpants, leggings, a solid color fitted t-shirt, (please bring socks if you do not have dance shoes yet).

Audition Rubric:

All candidates will receive one of the following scores, based on their ability to demonstrate the following skills listed below.

- 4- High achievement level
- 3- Above average achievement level
- 2- Average achievement level
- 1- Below Average achievement level

Categories:

1. Alignment

- 2. Strength/control
- 3. Endurance
- 4. Flexibility
- 5. Coordination
- 6. Musicality
- 7. Stage Presence
- 8. Ability to accept and apply corrections
- 9. Processing and Retention skills

If, you should have any further questions please contact:

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