

3rd-5th Grade Audition Requirements

3rd-5th graders will audition in all four Fine Arts

All Texas School of the Arts auditions for the 2022-2023 school year will be held online. Students will view an instructional video while being recorded by an "Audition Helper" on a second device. Students will complete required tasks in each of the four disciplines: Art, Dance, Music, and Theatre.

Prior to Filming

For the Music and Theatre portions of the audition, students will need to practice and prepare one piece prior to filming, and will also complete other activities along with the provided instructional video. All required and suggested pieces are provided on the <u>TeSA website</u>. During the Art and Dance portions, no work is required before beginning the official audition. The goal in all four sections is to emulate a live audition and capture the authentic artistic process, therefore recording in one session without editing is requested. Sections should only be filmed again due to technical difficulties or excessive background noise or distractions.

Filming the Audition

Students should be seen clearly in the camera frame at all times during the audition recording. At the beginning of each section, students should state their audition number and grade for the following school year before starting. For Dance and Theatre, the entire body should be visible, and it is recommended students have 8-10 feet of space to move around freely. The Audition Helper will need to move the camera to follow the student throughout the movement. During the Art portion, the Audition Helper will need to zoom in to view the art pieces clearly.

Audition Attire

Students should wear clothing in which they can move easily. Dance clothes are encouraged, but not required. Students may wear their dance attire during the other portions of the audition if preferred. Costumes and props are not allowed. Long hair must be secured back. Examples of appropriate clothing include:

Top = any solid colored leotard, fitted t-shirt, or tank top Bottom = dance pants, tights, leggings, or fitted athletic pants Feet = ballet shoes, jazz shoes, or socks

Art Supplies Needed

Graphite pencil, 2 large sheets of drawing paper, mixed media paper, or poster board, other art supplies of the student's choice (examples: crayons, colored pencils, markers, paints), and a variety of simple three dimensional objects to create a still life display.

After Filming

After completing each section of the audition, the Audition Helper will need to upload the videos as an unlisted YouTube link. A tutorial on how to do this is HERE and linked on our website. Pending the length of the video and internet speed/capability, this process could take from 5-60 minutes per link. Each link will then be turned in to the provided Google Classroom by the designated deadline.

ART (3 rd -5 th grade)		
Audition	Evaluation	
 Students will use a pencil to draw a still life containing a variety of simple three dimensional shapes. Students will create an original composition based 	 Reproduce What is Seen Following Directions Composition/Use of Space Value/Shading/Blending Reflection/Creativity 	
on a universal art theme/idea to demonstrate their creative problem solving and personal art making style. Students will use a variety of color and black and white drawing media to create an original artwork that visually communicates a big idea in art.	• Reflection/Creativity	

DANCE (3 rd -5 th grade)		
Audition	Evaluation	
• Students will be expected to demonstrate basic movement skills and capabilities through guided exercises.	 Sequence Consistency Body Alignment Technical Skills Performance Skills 	
• Students will learn and perform choreographed dance combinations.	Coordination	

MUSIC (3 rd -5 th grade)		
Audition	Evaluation	
Students will sing the designated song using the	 Preparation 	
sheet music and accompaniment track located on the	Pitch/Tone	
<u>TeSA website</u> .	Rhythmic Accuracy	
	 Diction/Articulation 	
Students will participate in guided music activities.	Musicality/Presentation	

THEATRE (3 rd -5 th grade)		
Audition	Evaluation	
Students will participate in improvisational	Preparation	
exercises.	Expression	
	 Vocalization 	
• Students will perform one of the poems or	Stage Presence	
monologues listed on the <u>TeSA website</u> . The	 Imagination 	
performance should be thoroughly prepared and		
memorized.		