



BHS

VPA

Department

VPA THEATRE PERFORMANCE AUDITION REQUIREMENTS

1. Candidates must wear appropriate and comfortable clothes to the audition. No jeans, short skirts, flip flops, high heels, or loose jewelry allowed.
2. Candidates must memorize and prepare a one- to three-minute monologue.
3. Candidates must present their most recent report card and a transcript that offers a history of academic success. A requirement for admissions in the VPA is a 2.5 UNWEIGHTED grade point average.
4. Candidates must present two (2) letters of recommendation. Typically, one is completed by an academic teacher, and the second is completed by an arts teacher/mentor. These may be completed after the audition date, but must be submitted before a student will be accepted.
5. Candidates must present a written letter of intent explaining why they would be an asset to the theatre department, and why they feel the theatre department will help them reach their post-secondary goals.
6. If available, candidates should bring a list of previous theatre experiences and a recent photo (headshot).
7. OPTIONAL: A short prepared song and/or dance routine. Students should bring accompaniment.

THE AUDITION

On the date of the audition, the candidate will be asked to do the following:

- Participate in a brief physical warm up and theatre/movement exercise
- Perform prepared monologue
- Perform an improvisation and a cold reading given by the instructor to assess reading skills
- Option: Perform a song and/or dance

AUDITION RUBRIC

The candidate will earn one of the following scores on each of the criteria described below.

4 – Superior

3 – Excellent

2 – Competent

1 – Needs improvement

- Stage presence
- Interpretation
- Preparation
- Interview
- Recommendation letters
- Academic promise (must have an unweighted GPA of 2.5 or higher)

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