



2021 Virtual Talent Show Performer Audition Information

Thank you for expressing an interest in auditioning for the Gateway Talent Show! This year, due to the pandemic and social distancing requirements, the show will be 100% virtual. The final production will be similar to a television variety show with all of the acts edited together into a 40-minute video that all Gateway students will see.

The purpose of our annual Talent Show is to showcase the abundance of talented students that attend our school. Over the years, students have impressed us with their singing, dancing, acting and instrumental skills, as well as the ability to perform specialty acts such as magic, comedy and gymnastics. Since the show is virtual this year, we will be able to showcase visual art as well as performance art; so if you draw or paint (by hand or CG), you may submit a series of 3 to 4 pieces of original artwork showcasing your skills.

Because our school is overflowing with talent, typically about 50% of the acts that audition are accepted into the final show. A panel of students will evaluate each act based on the performance quality, stage presence and creativity/originality. Based on recommendations from the student committee, the Talent Show advisors will make the final decision regarding which acts will be included in the show.

The rules for creating and submitting an audition video are as follows:

- 1) Figure out what type of act you wish to perform. Keep in mind that the audience will be made up of your peers, so be sure to select music, material and/or visual designs that Gateway students would enjoy.
- 2) Be aware that all language, lyrics and costumes must be school appropriate.
- 3) If you are singing, you will need to use a music only or karaoke version of the song, so your voice can be clearly heard.
- 4) Video submissions should be between 1 and 2 minutes long; there will be a 2-minute maximum time limit for all acts selected for the show. Once you have recorded your act, you will need to download it into an MP4 format, then attach it to the Google Form for Talent Show Audition Applications along with your name, grade and student email. Use this link to access the form: <https://forms.gle/ajzd4xxcrotYMsQ26>
- 5) **TIMELINE:** The deadline for submitting audition videos is Friday, April 30th. After the Talent Show Committee meets to evaluate each of the submissions, you will receive an email notification by May 8, letting you know whether or not your act has been selected. If it has, you will be invited to a Zoom meeting to meet your fellow cast members and to hear about the process of creating the final show. One-on-one meetings between the advisors and each performer will be scheduled to provide feedback and determine if adjustments and a re-recording of the act are necessary.

If you have any questions about the process, please email one of the advisors:

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Read this form carefully and print a copy to keep on hand for future reference.