



Claude Watson School for the Arts

Preparing For The Grades 4, 5, 6 and 7

2020 Auditions

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Q. WHO GETS TO PARTICIPATE IN AN AUDITION?

A. From October 16, 2020 until December 20, 2020 online applications were accepted. Every applicant who lives in the City of Toronto has been assigned an audition date. We are no longer accepting applications.

Q. HOW DO I KNOW WHEN MY AUDITION HAS BEEN SCHEDULED?

A. All applicants received an email with the date and time of their audition. Applicants who are currently in Grades 4, 5, 6 and 7 come on Monday May 4, 2020.

Q. HOW LONG ARE THE AUDITIONS?

A. Auditions are half a day. Applicants will be assigned either the morning session or the afternoon session.

Q. WHAT ARE THE DATES OF THE AUDITIONS?

A. Auditions will happen on Monday May 4, 2020. Since this is a school day please remember to contact your child's current school to let them know your child will be away for half a day.

Q. WHAT ARE THE TIMES OF THE SESSIONS?

A. The audition time for older students are different than the times for the Grade 3 students.

Morning: Drop off at 7:30 AM — Pick up at 11:45 AM — Auditions will begin at 8:00 AM

Afternoon: Drop off at 12:00 PM — Pick up at 4:15 PM — Auditions will begin at 12:30 PM

Q. Can I change the date of my child's audition?

A. Unfortunately we are unable to change the time or date for the auditions for older students. Students are required to attend their audition session to be eligible for admission at CWSA.

Q. HOW MUCH DO THE AUDITIONS COST AND HOW DO WE PAY?

A. There is a \$35.00 audition fee for all candidates. Payment is made online using the TDSB online payment system ([please see the how to pay FAQ](#)). No candidate will be denied the opportunity to audition based on financial hardship. Please contact the CWSA office for more information.

Q. WHAT SHOULD MY CHILD WEAR TO THE AUDITION?

A. Children should wear comfortable attire permitting freedom of movement. Running shoes should be brought to the audition. Please do not come to the audition in any uniform (e.g. dance uniforms)

Q. WILL THERE BE A BREAK DURING THE AUDITION?

A. Yes, there will be a 15 minute break in the middle of the audition. Children will be given the opportunity to have a washroom break. Children may bring a healthy snack. ***Please note snacks must be nut free and cannot require any preparation.*** Please do not send your child with pop.

Q. WHAT DO WE NEED TO BRING TO THE AUDITION?

A. Applicants are encouraged to bring the following items to the audition.

- ⇒ Comfortable loose fitting clothing that allow easy movement
- ⇒ Indoor running shoes
- ⇒ A light snack
- ⇒ Candidates are required to complete the Audition Registration Form (Last Page of this Package). Candidates need to bring the form and supporting documentation to the audition and present it upon registration. The necessary supporting documentation is explained on the Audition Registration Form
- ⇒ Candidates in Grades 6 and 7 only are able to bring an instrument they play. These candidates are encouraged to prepare a short piece on their instrument. CWSA is able to supply candidates with a piano if needed. Candidates currently in Grades 4 and 5 should not bring an instrument.

Q. WHAT SHOULD WE NOT BRING TO THE AUDITION?

A. Applicants should not bring portfolios, work samples, demo tapes or dance clothing to the audition. The most important part of the audition is active participation. Only children currently in Grades 6 and 7 may bring instruments. Children should do their best with each task they are asked to complete. The auditions are a really enjoyable and positive experience.

Q. CAN PARENTS STAY FOR THE AUDITION?

A. Spectators are not allowed to view the audition process. We do not have space available for parents to stay during the auditions.

Q. WHAT IS THE NEXT STEP?

A. All candidates who audition for CWSA will be placed on a wait list. Currently we do not have any vacancies. We will let candidates know if they are being considered for a vacancy. Although vacancies can become available at any time most vacancies are known in June or September.

Q. CAN I GET THE RESULTS OF THE AUDITION?

A. Unfortunately, based on the number of applicants, it is not possible to offer individual feedback.

Claude Watson School for the Arts—Audition Registration Form

PLEASE PRINT THIS PAGE ON MONDAY MAY 4,2020

SPRING 2020—STUDENTS CURRENTLY IN GRADES 4, 5, 6 and 7

Welcome to the Claude Watson School for the Arts Spring 2019 audition process. Please print out this form, complete it and bring it to your audition. The completion of this form is required to ensure your application is complete. Please complete all sections of this form in black ink. Please print neatly.

Candidates Last Name: _____
Candidates First Name: _____
Candidates Current Grade: _____
Candidates Current School: _____
Parent's Signature: _____

Candidate's Academic Information:

- ⇒ Please staple a copy of your child's **February 2020 Report Card** to this page. Please ensure you include all four pages. If you child does not go to a publically funded school (TDSB or TCDSB) please include a copy of their most recent report card. **CWSA will not accept the Ontario Progress Report Card which was published in November 2019.**

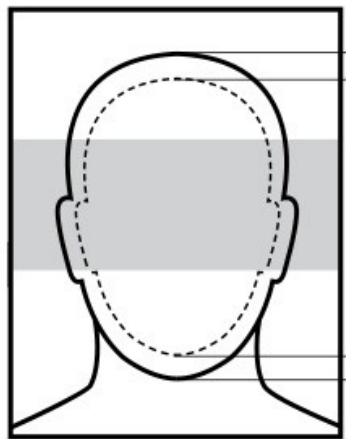


Photo Instructions

Please attach a head shot of your child in this box. This could be a school photo a passport photo or a home printed photo, but it must be a head shot.

FOR STUDENTS CURRENTLY IN GRADES 6 or 7

Please complete this box **ONLY** if your child is currently in Grade 6 or 7.

Does your child play an instrument? Yes No

What instrument do they play? _____

How long have they been playing their instrument?: _____

** Please note: Students in Grades 6 and 7 are welcome to bring one instrument to support them with their audition. CWSA can provide a piano for those students who wish to play the piano. Students in Grades 4 and 5 should not bring an instrument.