



2019-2020

Auditions

**Candidate Information
Packet**

Audition will be held on Friday, May 24th, from 2:00pm - 5:30pm in the
DHS Dance Room.

**Please complete the permission form by
Friday, May 24, 2019, when you arrive at the audition.**

Dear Parents and Dancer,

We are thrilled that you have decided to audition for the Darlings JV Dance Team. The Darlings is a training group for the Dulles Dolls Dance Team, a highly successful, competitive dance group and school spirit support group. Participation in Darlings JV Dance Team is a much less time consuming activity than the Dolls Dance Team. However, that does not mean it has any less importance. Membership is open to incoming 9th - 11th graders.

The following packet will familiarize you with the audition process and general information concerning the Darlings that should be understood before your child auditions. Being selected as a JV Dance Team member is not only an outstanding achievement and a great honor, it is a commitment that must be taken seriously. The decision to audition should be well thought out and discussed between you and your student as the audition procedure can be demanding both physically and emotionally. Parental support is essential.

Attached you will find an outline of the audition procedure as well as general DHS Darlings JV Dance Team information. If you have any questions please feel free to email me at rachel.caldwell@fortbendisd.com

I look forward to meeting you!

Respectfully yours,

Rachel Caldwell

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Audition Process

A. Required Paperwork:

All candidates will be required to turn in the following documents on or before **Friday, May 24, 2019.**

1. Parent Permission Form
2. Copy of Report Card for Term 3 (This can be printed from Skyward.)

Grades, attendance and conduct marks are also used as part of the selection process. Grades/Conduct/Attendance count as 25% of the total score. **The T3 grades from the current school year are used for this evaluation.**

B. To be a member of the Darlings you will be expected to do the following:

- Maintain academic eligibility
- Attend **ALL** practices and required functions; these include but are not limited to: One or two rehearsals outside of school per week, at least one football game, spring semester dance contests, spring performances, Dolls Spring Show and other activities selected by the Director.
- Purchase practice clothing and costuming items. Cost will be approximately \$550. (This may be payed off throughout the entire 2019-2020 school year.)

**Please note that arrangements can be made for special financial situations. These arrangements are handled on an individual basis and are extremely confidential. We do not allow financial limitations to interfere with membership in the dance program.*

- Be a positive role model for the other students at Dulles High School.
- Be enrolled in the 1st period class specifically designated for the dance team. *** A student may receive PE or Fine Arts credit for being on dance team....but you must be enrolled in the course and pass it. This will be explained to you more fully when you are selected.
- Be able to attend once or twice a week after/before school practices.

C. FBISD Dance Code & Standards of Conduct:

Every Dance Team in Fort Bend ISD is governed by the requirements in the Student Handbook (Extracurricular Guideline) along with Fine Arts Manual (Dance Team Code), in addition the DHS Dance Team Guidelines. Dance Team members are expected to know and adhere to the policies and procedures of the Dance Team **24 hours a day, 7 days per week, and 52 weeks per year.** Dance Team members are official representatives of Dulles High School and Fort Bend ISD. Remember, you are choosing to audition to participate in an extracurricular activity. **Participation in the Darlings JV Dance Team is a privilege, not a right. *Those who are chosen to participate will be held to a higher standard of behavior and performance both inside and outside of school. This will be reviewed in the DHS Dance Team Guidelines in detail at the Darlings' first team meeting following auditions.*** Each member must maintain high moral standards and use good judgment at all times inside of school, outside of school, and on social media, displaying exemplary conduct. Conduct must always be exemplary and lady-like. Foul language, poor representation, and public display of affection are unacceptable behaviors. Membership may be terminated for unacceptable standards of conduct as laid out in the Student Handbook (Extracurricular Guideline), Fine Arts Manual (Dance Team Code), and the DHS Dance Team Guidelines.

D. Day of Audition:

Members are selected through an audition process that includes the following:

- Technique Combinations
- Performance of a short dance routine

E. What to Wear to Audition

-Black Dance Top, Leotard, Tank Top, or fitted tee with limited color (no designs or text); black dance bottoms (leggings, jazz pants, yoga pants); dance shoes or barefoot (no socks without shoes).

- Performance makeup should be worn, including red lipstick.
- Four (4) Safety Pins for Audition Number
- Hair pulled back in a clean ponytail or bun.
- No jewelry or gum.

F. Agenda:

- 2:00 - 2:15 pm: Arrive at Dance Room with paperwork
(Located in the Fine Arts Building in between the High school and the Middle School.)
- 2:15 - 2:30 pm: Warm-up
- 2:30 - 3:00 pm: Across the Floor / Learn Routine
- 3:00 - 3:15 pm: Break/ Review on your own/ prepare for audition
- 3:15 - 5:30 pm: Audition

G. Audition Results

Audition results will be posted on Friday, May 24th, by 9pm. The list of 2019-2020 Darlings will be posted on the Dulles Darlings website, <https://www.fortbendisd.com/Page/88905>.

Should there be any questions, the candidate and their parent(s) may email the Director(s) the week after auditions to schedule a conference.

H. Practices

Once or twice a week practice outside school hours

This is a CLOSED AUDITION.
Only Candidates that are auditioning will be allowed in the dance room.

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Permission Form

I _____ have read the information pertaining to the Darlings JV Dance Team auditions.

I understand the *commitment, time and discipline* that will be required, and I am willing to put forth the effort necessary in order to fulfill all the requirements of the Darlings JV Dance Team. I understand that the expectations listed in the FBISD Extracurricular Handbook, Fine Arts Manual (Appendix U), and the DHS Dance Team Guidelines must be followed in order to retain membership of the Darlings JV Dance Team.

I understand the *judges' decision is final in selecting the 2019-2020 Darlings JV Dance Team*.

Candidate's Signature

Date

Candidate's Name: _____ ID # _____

Cell Number: _____

I _____ have read the information pertaining to the Darlings JV Dance Team auditions. I will support my student throughout the audition process and encourage should he/she be selected to the Darlings JV Dance Team.

I understand the audition procedure and general information. I understand fully the *time, commitment and discipline* necessary of my student to maintain the high standards of the Dance Team. I understand that should any academic or discipline situation arise, that my student is subject to suspension or removal from the Darlings JV Dance Team as laid out in the FBISD Extracurricular Handbook, Fine Arts Manual (Appendix U), and the DHS Dance Team Guidelines. I am also aware that my student will be placed on performance probation and the DHS fines list at school if all fees are not paid by the date they are due. *If I need to work out a payment plan, I will contact one of the directors immediately upon receiving the detailed item list.*

I understand the *judges' decision is final in selecting the 2019-2020 Darlings JV Dance Team*. I give my child permission to audition for the Dance Team.

Parent's Signature

Date

Primary Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

Primary Parent/Guardian's Cell Number: _____

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Darlings JV Dance Team CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET

Please write legibly in blue/black pen.

Name: _____

Current Grade Level _____ ID #: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Primary Phone # _____

Birthday: (D/M/Y) _____

Student Email Address: _____

(Make sure this is an email address that you use!)

Parent/Guardian 1 Name: _____

Parent/Guardian 1 Email Address: _____

Parent/Guardian 1 Cell Phone # _____

Parent/Guardian 1 Work Phone # _____

Parent/Guardian 2 Name: _____

Parent/Guardian 2 Cell Phone #: _____

****Print T3 grades PRIOR to the audition****