

Student Name _____

School _____

Home Room Teacher _____

Gender _____

Grade _____

**Parent
Nomination
Form**

I would like my child to audition for the artistically gifted and talented program in the following area.

(Only check **ONE** of the four areas)

Art Drama Dance Music

If Music, Voice or Instrument

If Instrument, list instrument _____

I give permission for my child to audition on **Thursday, November 1, 2018 at 4:30 pm** at Gold Hill Middle School. I understand that completion of this form does not guarantee placement in this program. **I understand that transportation for the program IS NOT provided by the district.**

Parent Signature

Parent(s) Name(s) _____

Address _____

City & Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

**DETACH AND RETURN
FORM TO SCHOOL
CONTACT BY OCTOBER 12, 2018
Late applications will NOT be accepted.**

Who to Contact?

General Information

Donald M. Rogers, Director
Winthrop University
803-323-2255
rogersd@winthrop.edu

Specific Information

(requirements, schedules, eligibility, etc)
Marty McGinn
Fort Mill School District #4

Where to Return Form?

Banks Trail Middle School

Kirk Godbey
GodbeyK@fortmillschools.org
803-578-2990

Fort Mill Middle School

Julia Bouldin
BouldinJ@fortmillschools.org
803-547-5553

Gold Hill Middle School

Kate Quinn
QuinnK@fortmillschools.org
803-548-8300

Pleasant Knoll Middle School

Brandon Sanders
SandersB@fortmillschools.org
803-835-3728

Springfield Middle School

Cardio Mack
MackC@fortmillschools.org
803-548-8199

Return form to the school contact listed above by October 12, 2018 to receive audition information.

Art portfolios are due on October 12, 2018

At Winthrop University

**The Summer
ST-ARTS
Program**

**Summer Session
June 10 - 28
9:00 am - 3:30 pm**

**Saturday Workshops
9:00 am—1:00 pm**

**February 2, 2019
March 23, 2019
May 11, 2019**

**Summer
ST-ARTS
Program
At Winthrop University**

What is the Summer ST-ARTS Program?

ST-ARTS is a Winthrop University summer program for 300 public school students in grades 6-8 with special talents in the arts. Sponsored jointly by the School of Visual and Performing Arts and the Clover, Fort Mill, Lancaster, Rock Hill, and York school districts, this program provides an intense, three-week experience in the visual and performing arts (dance, drama, music, and the visual arts) for artistically gifted and talented students. A faculty of more than 50 artists and musicians from Winthrop, public schools, and the SC Arts Commission Artists Roster. Curriculum for the program is designed and evaluated in accordance with the new South Carolina Visual and Performing Arts Framework. The program concept and design have been cited by the State Department of Education as a model of cooperation between an institution of higher learning and its consortium of public schools. Since its inception in 1989, the Summer ST-ARTS Program has served more than 8,500 middle school students.



Where is the program located?



The program is housed on the Winthrop University campus in the arts facilities: Rutledge Building (visual arts), Johnson Hall (drama and dance) and the Conservatory (music).

What is the cost of the program?

The Summer ST-ARTS Program is funded through contract with each participating school district and Winthrop University. There is no charge to the students. **However, transportation IS NOT provided.**

What happens during the day?

Students spend the first part of the day in a variety of instructional opportunities in their major art area. These may include the following: dance (creative movement, ballet, modern, jazz, and choreography), drama (creative dramatics and short stage works), music (chorus, sound design, instrument master classes, piano, composition, MIDI), visual arts (photography, drawing, printmaking, furniture design, jewelry making). In the afternoons, each student participates in a "minor" arts area that he/she selects.



Special performances are also an integral part of the summer program, and have brought to campus many regional and national organizations. Presentations and performances by the ST-ARTS faculty are also included.



How do I qualify for the program?

ST-ARTS students are selected through a highly competitive screening process. In the fall of each year the school districts send ST-ARTS information letters to all 6th, 7th and 8th grade students. New students nominated for the program should:

- Show a serious interest in an art form (dance, drama, music, or visual art)
- Spend time pursuing an art form
- Express emotions in and through an art form, and
- Create unique responses to given stimuli.

Attention Visual Arts: Nominees are required to create three pieces of two-dimensional artwork for a preliminary audition. Judges are looking for creativity, variety in materials/techniques, and compositional solutions. Portfolios are due on October 12th to the school representative. Nominees will be notified by October 24, as to whether he/she will move on to the final audition on November 1st at Gold Hill Middle School.



All nominated students receive information from the school representative on preparing for the audition. Students receiving qualifying scores in the screening are selected for the Summer ST-ARTS program. Students are expected to attend all workshops and all days of the summer program.

**Return Form and Visual
Art Portfolios by
October 12, 2018**