

The Summer ST-ARTS Program at Winthrop University 2023

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. 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.

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.

Transportation to Winthrop is not provided.

This year auditions for the ST-ARTS program will be held at Springfield Middle School on Monday, November 14, 2022 starting at 4 p.m. Information about the requirements of each arts area audition submissions is located on the district curriculum webpage. Your school's representative, listed below, will be your point of contact for questions and the submission of work.

Parents: If your child would like to participate and you give permission for your child to audition, please complete the [Intent to Audition Form](#) **by November 1, 2022.**

I understand that completion of this form does not guarantee placement in this program and understand that **transportation for the program IS NOT provided. If your child is selected to participate in the program he/she will be notified in December/January.**

TRANSPORTATION IS NOT PROVIDED

Summer Sessions at Winthrop

9:00 am-3:30 p.m. each day

Monday - Friday

June 5-23, 2023

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