



# Showstoppers Auditions

**Date TBA @ the Blackford Dance Room**

**Showstoppers is the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls Audition Dance Group.**

They are a group of skilled dancers who work together at a fast pace to learn and perform routines with high energy, precision, enthusiasm and engaging facial expressions.

## **Audition Process**

Casting at Harker is always conducted fairly. Our extensive Casting and Placement policy can be found on-line. For Showstoppers specifically:

- The students will be taught and perform an audition routine in front of a panel of judges.
- The students will be judged on:
  - Technique/Skills
  - Stage Presence
  - Energy/Commitment to the Movement
  - Ability to Learn Quickly
- Some students may be asked to attend call back auditions. Not everyone will make callbacks.

## **How to Audition**

- Complete the Showstopper Audition Permission Slip at the bottom of this document.
- Return to the box outside the Dance Room by Date TBA.
- Students must stay for the entire audition & Parents are not allowed to attend the audition.

## **Member Requirements**

- Members need to maintain good academic standing.
- **Members must be in the Harker Dance Program and in addition to their Showstopper rehearsals are required to:**
  1. Take two dance classes during Session I and III after school dance.
    - a. Note, the session I and III schedules are not the same.
  2. Perform in Dance Jamz the Middle School Dance Show
    - a. Attend the Dance Jamz placement day, dress rehearsal and all cast show rehearsals.
- **Rehearsals:**
  - Every Wednesday from 5:15-6:45 PM at the Blackford Campus.
  - 3-4 weekend rehearsals during the school year. Day and time TBA.
  - Prior to performances there are extended, extra or L2 rehearsals as needed.

- **Performances** – this list is subject to changes and additions:
  - Family Picnic, Santana Row Tree Lighting, Friday Holiday Show at all 3 campuses, Just Dance, Student/Faculty Athletic Game, Volunteer Luncheon, Head of School Circle Celebration
    - **Students are REQUIRED to perform in all of the shows to be in Showstoppers.**
- **Commitment:**
  - Showstopper rehearsals and the dance program classes are a time commitment. Members will rehearse, take class for many hours. It isn't just about the performances.
  - The dancers may miss a class event or sports party due to a rehearsal or performance.

**Important Note:**

Parents and dancers this is an audition and not everyone who auditions will be selected. There will be disappointment. Students and parents need to be prepared for this. If this will be too devastating to handle don't audition. It does not matter if you have auditioned in the past and not been chosen or you were a member of the group last year--selection is based on this audition. Not making the group does not mean your child is a bad dancer; it means they were not right for the group and the styles of dance.

**Please DO NOT audition if you will drop out the dance program if you aren't selected for Showstoppers.**

**Please DO NOT audition if you can't commit to the Showstopper rehearsal and performance schedule.**

**Remember that first and foremost the students are members of the Dance Program and the highlight of the year is their performance in the Dance Jamz Show.** It is important that the students are supportive and respectful to each other, the judges and their dance teachers before, during and after the audition process.

Sincerely,  
Kimberley Teodoro – Showstoppers Director  
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## SHOWSTOPPERS – Audition Permission Slip

Print Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

- Return to the box outside the dance room by Date TBA!
- My child has permission to audition for Showstoppers the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls dance group and if chosen will join the group for the current school year.
- We understand the selection process and criteria for the audition and the possibility of not being chosen for the group.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_