

RULES FOR SHOWCASE SELECTION AND PERFORMANCE
(if chosen)
Approved by Illinois State Dance Festival Steering Committee

1. ALL PIECES MUST BE STUDENT CHOREOGRAPHED, WITH ORIGINAL CHOREOGRAPHY.
2. **A \$100 deposit has been submitted prior to audition. This will be deducted from registration total.**
3. Only one dance per school may be selected.
4. No special lighting is allowed at the auditions; **this rule also applies to videotape submissions.**
5. All schools must set and strike their own props and set pieces. (if applicable-you will be held responsible for any damage to the stage).
6. You will have a total of 20 minutes to stage and perform both your dances.
7. All schools must arrive at Buffalo Grove at least 30 minutes ahead of their audition time. It is possible that the pace of the auditions can change throughout the day so all schools should be prepared and flexible.
8. All schools will be judged anonymously by 3 professional judges from the Chicago area. All schools will receive their judging forms within a week of the auditions.
9. As each school takes the stage, they should briefly space their dance and then the choreographers should come forward and introduce themselves and their piece to the judges. (DO NOT SAY YOUR SCHOOL'S NAME.).
10. The Music must be on a CD. Please bring a CD back up as well. All sponsors are responsible for operating their own sound at the auditions.
11. All schools selected for the showcase will be notified on Saturday, February 18th, no later than 10:00PM. Schools selected will receive corrections from the judges and are EXPECTED to make them prior to the festival.
12. The dance selected by the judges cannot be altered in any way for the performance other than what the judges suggested.
13. All schools selected will be expected to attend a staging rehearsal the day of the festival to confirm lights and rehearse their pieces.
14. Schools may audition live or via video tape. ***Performance videos submitted should be without any special stage lighting/cues and must be performed by current high school dancers from the current school year.** Although the committee understands that conflicts do arise, it is beneficial to the total educational experience that schools make every effort to attend the auditions at Buffalo Grove High School.
15. Schools selected will be expected to act professionally both backstage and onstage.
16. Judges will be instructed to prioritize their selections based on quality first, variety second. Aside from making the showcase selections, judges will also place the showcase dances in the show.
17. **IF SELECTED FOR THE SHOWCASE PERFORMANCE, ALL DANCERS MUST BE REGISTERED AND ATTEND THE FESTIVAL AND PARTICIPATE IN THE DANCE CLASSES PRIOR TO THE SHOWCASE PERFORMANCE.**