

Disney Performing Arts FAQ's

Q How can I apply for Disney Performing Arts performances and/or workshops?

All applications must be submitted online. Please visit our website: www.disneyperformingarts.com to fill out the application. You will not be able to submit a performance application without a video link and uniform information.

Q What do I need to know before I apply?

- For all groups, we require a minimum of 10 performers
- All stage performers must be at least 7 years old and above
- All marching band performers (including banner carriers) must be at least 10 years old
- Videos should represent the same number of performers you are planning to bring on your trip

Q What criteria will be used to evaluate my group?**Instrumental Groups**

- Must play musically and in tune with good tone quality and balanced sound
- Please present selections that best exemplify the group's precision
- Mastery of precision marching (marching bands only)

Vocal Groups

- Must sing musically and in tune with good tone quality and balanced sound
- Please present selections that best exemplify the group's precision
- Must exhibit energy and execution of a confident stage presence
- Song choices must be appropriate for a family audience
- Precision choreography (show choirs only)

Dance Groups

- Please present selections that best exemplify the group's precision
- Energy and execution of a confident stage presence
- Song choices, costumes and choreography must be appropriate for a family audience

Q Does my video need to be professionally recorded?

NO, Having a student or parent record two numbers from a performance or rehearsal is acceptable. Please be sure that the entire group can be seen in your video and that it represents the number of students you plan to bring demonstrating the criteria listed above. All videos need to be submitted by video link to an online source.

Q What are the costume/uniform guidelines for the performance video we are submitting?

- You will have the option to check a box on your application if the costume/uniform in the video is what you will be wearing for your Walt Disney World performance.
- If you will be wearing a different look than in the video, you will need to upload a picture before you can submit your application.
- The photos or video should show uniforms/costumes as well as any accessories and footwear
- Marching bands looking for a performance at the *Magic Kingdom*® Park must be in full dress uniform, which includes any guard members and banner carriers. Directors will be required to be in a jacket.
- Jeans, tank tops, shorts, t-shirts and other athletic attire, including rehearsal garments, are not acceptable.
- Mascots or recognizable characters of any kind are not permitted. (for example, Santa Clause, Elvis, Dorothy, etc.).
- You may submit photographs, sketches, or catalog images.

Q Are there limitations to the number of ensembles I can submit for consideration?

NO! A school or organization can send in applications for as many ensembles as they would like. **One band, one choir, one orchestra and one dance group can be accepted without an additional performance fee and no waiting periods.**

- For each additional ensemble in any given discipline a \$500 application fee is required and should be included with your applications.
- Each additional ensemble should apply separately including video links and costume/uniform information.
- If you have ensembles within the same discipline traveling between February and May, your additional ensembles will be scheduled based on availability and your ability to perform on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday. If travel plans will not permit for a performance on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, the ensemble's application for a performance will automatically be placed on a waiting list.
- At 6 weeks out, if there is no availability for an additional performance your \$500 additional performance fee will be refunded.

Q Can a single ensemble request more than one performance?

YES, you may!

- A \$500 fee for each additional performance request is required.
- If you are traveling between February and May, your additional ensembles will be scheduled based on venue availability and your ability to perform on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday. If travel plans will not permit for a performance on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, the ensemble's application for an additional performance will automatically be placed on a waiting list.
- At 6 weeks out, if there is no availability for an additional performance, your \$500 additional performance fee will be refunded.

Q Will I receive confirmation that you have received my application?

YES. When you have submitted your application successfully, you will receive a submission number via email.

Q How can I get my application processed faster?

- Be sure your video meets the criteria listed above.
- Peak times for applications are between August and November. Applying outside of these times will allow for faster processing.
- Between August and November, it can take 2-3 weeks for your application to be processed.

Q My group(s) is also planning to participate in Festival Disney. Can we add a Disney Performing Arts performance to our itinerary as well?

YES. But there are several things you will need to consider before adding this to your itinerary.

- Our number one goal is to give as many students as possible an opportunity to have one experience at *Walt Disney World*. Because Festival Disney occurs on peak weekends throughout the spring, your request to add an additional experience will be placed on a waiting list.
- If your group is available for performance on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, we may be able to waive the waiting period in some cases.
- If travel plans will not permit for a performance on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, the ensemble's application for a performance will automatically be placed on a waiting list and six weeks prior to the trip, the Disney Performing Arts team will determine availability for an add-on performance and notify the group.
- If a group has already been accepted for a performance and is later registering for Festival Disney, the scheduled performance will be suspended. Six weeks prior to the arrival date, if there is venue availability, the Disney Performing Arts team will work to reschedule the performance. The fee for the add-on Disney Performing Arts performance is \$26 per student, for each add-on performance. This is in addition to the Festival Disney ticket package.
- Please keep in mind that each experience for your ensemble will require 3 - 4 hours out of your day and we cannot guarantee what time of day your performance will be scheduled.