

School Highlights

Ranked in the Top 50 NJ
High Schools in the
Washington Post Challenge Index.

Ranked among the Top 10
schools in Elizabeth
with EHS and Hamilton

Learning opportunities with
professionals through collaborations
with Montclair State University,
Paper Mill Playhouse,
the Visual Arts Center of
New Jersey, and many more

Nationally recognized AVID
program to support student
readiness for college

Widest variety of performing and
visual arts courses of any high school
in Union County

Over 60 performances and exhibit
opportunities every year

Home of the largest theatrical
productions across all Elizabeth
Public Schools and its community

Award-winning art Exhibitions
and performing ensembles
including concert choir, guitar
ensemble, concert band, and more

OUR VISION

*Life, liberty and the pursuit of
happiness made real for
every student
through academic and
creative excellence.*



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STUDIO PROGRAMS

AUDITION GUIDE

Inspiring
young artist
to think,
to learn,
to achieve,
and to
care.

STUDIO PROGRAMS



Audio & Visual Media

- Video Editing
- Programming
- TV Production
- Graphic Art Studio

Performing Arts

- Instrumental Music
- Vocal Music
- Dance
- Concert Band
- Jazz Ensemble
- A Cappella
- Live Concerts

Theater

- Drama
- Technical Theater
- Stage Movement
- Scenic Design
- Costume Structure
- Make-Up
- Live Performances

Visual Arts

- Drawing
- Painting
- Photography
- Sculpture
- AP Art 2D Design
- AP Art Drawing
- Art Exhibits

Audition Guide

After an initial interview students will need to be prepared for the following for each strand:

Audio & Visual Media

Submit a video explaining why you wish to study media and television production.

- Create Short Video
- Submit Video Electronically
- Video must include your name & ID number.
- For Graphic Arts (Bring Digital of Paper Images.)



Performing Arts

Dance

- Short choreography to perform
- Perform a one-minute solo. (may bring your own music)
- Students must wear comfortable dance attire

Dance Attire includes, but is not limited to:

- Leotard and tights
- Black tank and jazz pants
- Black shorts
- No baggy clothes

Vocal Music

- Students will perform a song (one minute or less) a cappella (no instrumental accompaniment)
- Sing several scales while teacher plays scales on the piano.



Instrumental Music

- Students will perform a piece from memory or sheet music
- Play any major and minor scale (up to 4 flats and 4 sharps) on their instrument
- Play a variety of chords
- Sight read a simple melodic piece provided at audition
- Speak to your current band director about your music selection.

Theater

- Students will perform a 1-3 minute memorized monologue
- Monologues can be dramatic or comedic (no stand up)
- Monologues should come from published plays, books, or online archives
- Please do not dress in costume or bring props to the audition

Visual Arts

- Students will submit a portfolio of at least five original art works
- Art works should demonstrate artistic strengths in skills and creativity
- Art works may be in any of the following categories: drawings, paintings, sculptures, photographs, and digital drawings
- Please do not bring artwork that has been copied from other artists.
- Students may also bring sketchbooks

