



Application & Audition Process

OSA is a California public charter school. There is no tuition and admission to the school is solely based on an audition and a panel interview. The audition panel selects students based on aptitude and potential in the arts, not on prior training or academic achievement.

Annual Audition Dates: **November, February, April.**
*Later dates are added as needed.

Audition Areas: **Arts Management, Dance, Digital Media, Instrumental Music, Literary Arts, Theatre Arts, Visual Arts, Vocal Music.**

Enrolling Grades: **6th 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th**
*9th and 10th grade eligible for January transfer via November Audition

Audition Requirements: **Arts Management (High School Only)**

- Complete Arts Management Supplemental Application
- *Design:* Present a portfolio of design projects, drawings, and sketches
- *Management:* Present a resume of projects and/or events that you have organized
- Be prepared to discuss your experiences

Dance

- Wear leotards and tights, or shorts and a tee shirt.
- Wear dance shoes or have bare feet.
- Keep hair pulled off the face.
- Students will audition in groups. No prepared solos will be necessary.

Digital Media (High School Only)

- Submit a variety of samples of your visual and digital artwork
- You will be asked to "pitch" a project or a storyline for production
- Be prepared to discuss your work.

Literary Arts (High School Only)

- Submit a portfolio of diverse written work
- You will be given an on-site writing assignment on the day of the audition
- Be prepared to discuss your reading and writing preferences and ideas

Music – Vocal & Instrumental

- Prepare a musical selection 2 to 3 minutes long.
- Bring three copies of the sheet music for the piece you will perform.
- You will be asked to discuss your audition piece.
- Instrumentalists must bring their own instruments (excluding piano and drums).
- Vocalists must sing their selection acapella.

Theatre

- Select a 2-minute monologue from a contemporary, published play – no original material or poetry.
- Bring the play and three copies of the monologue to the audition.
- You will be asked to discuss the play and the monologue you have chosen.

Visual Arts

- Submit samples of your best visual artwork
- You will be given an on-site drawing assignment on the day of the audition
- Be prepared to discuss your work.

Required Forms:

1. Application (available at oakarts.org)

2. Arts Teacher Recommendation

- This form is to be filled out by a teacher chosen by the student applicant.
- The teacher should know the student's artistic potential and the degree of his/her commitment to the art form.
- The completed form should be placed in an envelope, sealed, and signed across the seal.
- The student should bring the sealed envelope with them to their audition.

Audition Process:

1. Request application from the Admissions Office or download it at www.oakarts.org.
2. Complete application and return to the Admissions Office by the relevant deadline.
3. Student will be contacted with audition information, including date and time.
****Note: Students must have an appointment in order to audition.*
4. Students must arrive 15 minutes prior to their audition appointment. Any missed audition will be rescheduled to the next available audition date.
5. On your audition day:
 - Step 1 – registration
 - Step 2 – holding room and warm-up room
 - Step 3 – the audition and interview
6. Notification of result:
 - Within 2 – 4 weeks student will be contacted by mail with an admissions decision.
 - Applicants are conditionally accepted, placed on a waiting list, or denied.
7. Student-Parent-School Conference
 - Conditionally accepted students will be scheduled for an Enrollment Meeting to discuss the school's goals and expectations and to allow families to ask specific questions about OSA.
8. Final Acceptance
 - Upon completion of the enrollment meeting, students confirm their place in the class by returning the Student-Parent-School Contract and the Letter of Intent to Enroll.
9. New Student Reception is held in June of current academic year.
10. New Student Orientation is held in August of upcoming academic year.

FAMILY INFORMATION (Fill out completely)

• Candidate lives with: Mother Father Stepfather Stepmother
(check all that apply) Other _____ (specify relationship)

• **Mother's name** _____ home phone _____
address (if different from candidate) _____
occupation _____ business name _____ business phone _____
cellular phone _____ email _____
fax _____ country of citizenship _____
college(s) attended _____

• **Father's name** _____ home phone _____
address (if different from candidate) _____
occupation _____ business name _____ business phone _____
cellular phone _____ email _____
fax _____ country of citizenship _____
college(s) attended _____

• **Guardian's name** _____ home phone _____
address (if different from candidate) _____
occupation _____ business name _____ business phone _____
cellular phone _____ email _____
fax _____ country of citizenship _____
college(s) attended _____

Candidate Signature Date Parent/Guardian Signature Date