

# Pittsburgh CAPA 6–12 Audition Process

Art departments will conduct auditions on January 8 and January 15. Students will receive confirmation via an AUDITION TICKET. Audition requirements can be found online at [www.pghschools.org/caparegistration](http://www.pghschools.org/caparegistration) under each department's website.

## Essay

Please respond to the following questions by crafting **one** short essay that answers all of the questions for your chosen art department. Submit your essay via the online application by the deadline (December 17 2021). Remember that essays have a strong introduction, body paragraphs, and a conclusion that leaves the reader with a thought or idea to ponder. Please include a heading on this essay in the upper left hand corner that includes: your name, art department applying to, and the grade you will enter in the 2022–23 school year. All essays must be typed using 12 pt. Times New Roman and should not include any images.

- A. Pittsburgh CAPA 6–12 is a community of artists in dance, literary arts, piano, production technology, theater, visual arts, vocal and instrumental music. Why do YOU want to be an artist?
- B. Choose your area of interest and answer the following specific questions within your essay:
- **Dance:** What dance genres have you studied and with whom? How long have you studied dance? What area of dance most interests you and why? Do you plan to pursue a dance career?
  - **Instrumental Music:** How long have you have been playing? With which ensembles and groups have you performed?
  - **Literary Arts:** What can you contribute to a community of writers? What are your strengths and your challenges as a writer? Share a triumph that you have had as a writer.
  - **Piano:** Who or what is your inspiration for playing the piano? How do you see yourself using your piano skills in the future?
  - **Production Technology:** What experiences have you had in plays, music, or dance? Think about a performance you participated in or attended. What was the most interesting part of it?
  - **Theatre:** What experiences have you had with theatre productions and in which capacity? Where have you studied theatre and with whom? How long have you been interested in theatre?
  - **Visual Arts:** With what mediums do you have experience in creating art? What kinds of materials do you prefer to use in your artwork and why? Do you plan to go into an arts related career? Tell us about your post-high school plans.
  - **Vocal Music:** How long have you been singing? What styles of music do you sing? With which vocal groups have you performed? Have you taken private voice lessons? If so, from whom and for how long?