2019 Summer ST-ARTS Program

(Special Talents in the Arts)

The Program

ST-ARTS is a program co-sponsored by the Winthrop University College of Visual and Performing Arts and the participating school districts from York and Lancaster counties. *Where does the ST-ARTS program take place?* The summer **ST-ARTS** program will be held **June 10-28, 2019** weekdays only, from 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM at Winthrop University. **Also, attendance at all three Saturday Workshops is expected. The Saturday workshops are held at Byrnes Auditorium from 9 AM – 1 PM.** Students who attend **none** of the workshops will forfeit their place in the summer program. The workshop dates are **February 2, 2019** (*parents may attend this one*), **March 23, 2019** and **May 11, 2019**. There is no cost for students to attend this program and you must provide your own transportation to Winthrop.

The Opportunities

Participating students spend the day in a variety of instructional opportunities in their "major" arts area, taking full advantage of the state-of-the-arts facilities on the Winthrop campus. A portion of the afternoon is spent experiencing a "minor" art. The emphasis of the program is to guide the students through the process of conceptualizing and creating art. Curriculum is designed and evaluated in accordance with the South Carolina Visual and Performing Arts Frameworks. The program concept and curricular design have been cited by the State Department of Education as a model of how an institution of higher learning and a consortium of public schools can work in a cooperative venture to provide a comprehensive fine arts program for talented arts students within the local school districts. Since its inception in 1989, the summer ST-ARTS Program has served over 5,000 middle school students. Many of our graduates have been selected to attend the Governor's School of the Arts in Greenville and have gone on to continue their studies at major universities throughout the region.

Audition Information

When and where will auditions take place?

Date: Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Location: Rawlinson Road Middle School—in the Auditorium. Parking is available on left side of the building. Auditions will begin at 4:45 PM and will end when all have completed their audition. Parents can pick up their child in the auditorium after the audition. Bus transportation will be provided to the auditions if needed. You must participate in the audition process to participate in the ST-ARTS Program. All students who auditioned will be notified approximately two weeks following auditions.

Audition Notes

Music: Voice & Instrumental—Students should bring a solo piece to perform, two copies of the selection and an instrumental accompaniment tape/CD if used.

Dance—Small group auditions, wear appropriate, comfortable clothing, three tasks: warm up, improvisation and technique **Drama**—Small group auditions, warm up activities, individual improvisation, no make-up, costumes or props allowed.

Visual Art- Each candidate should bring **at least three** original works that best represent their art skills and interests. One of which should be a **still-life** drawn from observation. Works should not be traced, copied, or copyrighted (including cartoon images) but can be two- or three-dimensional. Students may bring **no more than four** works total. There will be a short interview and on-site observation drawing as well.



*Submit application online at:

http://www.rock-hill.k12.sc.us/Page/2452

APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN
OCTOBER 12, 2018

*Paper application available at school upon request. You may request one from any Art, Music or Drama Teacher.

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