

First Time Auditioning? Here's What to Know!

Know the Show & Role

- Research the production: Understand the plot, themes, and characters.
- Listen to the soundtrack: Familiarize yourself with the music and style, if possible.
- Read the script: If available, read to grasp character motivations and relationships.
- Understand the director's vision: If possible, learn what the production team is seeking.

Choose the Right Song

- Select a piece within your vocal range: Showcase your strengths.
- Avoid overdone songs: Choose something unique to stand out.

Practice with Purpose

- Rehearse with and without the music: Mimic audition conditions.
- Perform in front of others: Gain confidence and get feedback.
- Record yourself: Self-evaluate and improve.
- Memorize your material: Be ready to go without prompts.

Prepare Your Mind & Body

- Warm up physically and vocally: Stretch and do vocal exercises.
- Stay hydrated: Drink water leading up to your audition.
- Get a good night's sleep: Your body and mind need rest.
- Eat a balanced meal: Fuel up with energy-supporting foods.

Pack Your Audition Bag

- Sheet music if needed: Clearly marked and in a binder.
- Audition Forms
- Water & snacks: Stay energized and focused.
- Comfortable attire: Move freely and look polished.

Arrive Early & Be Professional

- Plan your route and know where to park.
- Arrive at least 15 minutes early to settle in.
- Be kind to everyone—staff, auditionees, everyone.
- Stay focused and positive while you wait.

Boost Your Confidence

- Use positive self-talk: Remind yourself how prepared you are.
- Visualize a great audition: Picture it going well.
- Do breathing exercises: Calm those nerves.
- Remember—it's a learning experience!

Handling Disappointment

- Casting depends on MANY factors—some beyond your control, like height or age
- Ask for feedback if it's offered, and learn from it.
- Reflect and grow: Every audition makes you stronger.
- Don't give up—another opportunity is waiting for you!

Extras & Final Advice

Showcase Special Talents

- Have a cool skill like gymnastics, tumbling, or acrobatics? Let them know!

Be Honest with Yourself

- Do you have time and energy for this role?
- Can you juggle school, family, and other responsibilities?

During the Audition

- Be yourself, but stay in character.
- Use your nerves—they're just energy!
- Be kind and friendly to everyone.
- If you mess up, keep going with confidence.
- Thank the panel and leave professionally.