

ALL interested students must complete <u>THIS APPLICATION</u>. This application is for students interested in SOTA Conservatory and/or SOTA Fellows. Please read all of the instructions.

SOTA Conservatory serves as a pre-professional arts training program for artistically talented high school students. Acceptance into the Conservatory program requires an audition and is open to rising 9th grade students from across Gwinnett County. Conservatory students have a non-traditional schedule, spending 3 hours per day in classes required for their major. Rising 10th-12th grade students are welcome to apply; however, the number of spots will be subject to availability and will vary by Conservatory. Students who are not accepted into a Conservatory may be invited to enroll as a SOTA Fellows student. If you are auditioning for Conservatory, you DO NOT have to apply for Fellows as well. You will automatically be considered for Fellows. Please note: There is no beginning level option for 10th-12th grade students wishing to join a Conservatory. Through their audition and interview, students must show proficiency at the 10th-12th grade level.

SOTA Fellows is an exploratory arts experience open to 9th - 12th graders from across Gwinnett County. Fellows students have a traditional high school schedule but focus their electives in arts classes, taking 3-4 arts electives per year. Students who wish to apply as a Fellow ONLY do NOT have to audition. Fellows students must meet the criteria for permissive transfer in order to be enrolled at CGHS/SOTA. Students must have submitted a completed application and have satisfactory grades, attendance, and behavior.

Conservatory Audition dates: Jan. 2 & 3, 2024, 8AM-4PM Please keep both of these dates available. You will receive your audition time slot on Friday, Dec. 8.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- 1. Conservatory admissions criteria:
 - Audition in subject area
 - 80% overall GPA
 - No grade lower than a 71
 - Satisfactory attendance record & satisfactory behavior record
- 2. Students may audition for up to two Conservatories; HOWEVER, you will only be admitted to one.
- 3. Auditions will take place at the School of the Arts @ Central Gwinnett High School. Only the student auditionee is allowed inside the building during their audition.

All students will be notified of acceptance in mid-January. Acceptance is contingent upon grades/records being finalized in June, 2024.