

Auditions: May 6th, 2017

7:45 am-8:15 am: Registration

Dancers must be warmed up and ready to dance by 8:30 am, when the audition process begins (This means audition ready- full hair and makeup done).

Please bring your own food as you will want to keep up your energy throughout the day. Bring water to stay hydrated. Auditions will be continuous, so you will want to grab a bite to eat when you can.

*Please note: No parents/family members/friends/anyone not auditioning will be allowed into Ahearn the day of auditions. Only those auditioning for the KSU Classy Cats Team 2017-18 will be allowed.

We are looking for dancers who:

- have a great work ethic
- are on time (and that means early) and prepared for the work they are doing: coming to rehearsals, performances, etc ready to work efficiently, with great effort and with a great attitude
- dance full-out and with high performance quality/showmanship at all times (unless otherwise told)
- perform consistently with energy, proper facial expressions, strong technique and solid style
- are team players interested in the overall success of the entire team, not just themselves or certain individuals
- are versatile, pick up material/adjust quickly (including details) and then can turn around and perform that material right away
- can be entertaining to a crowd of 54,000 + people (dancing big with lots of energy and enthusiasm, knowing someone is always watching you, so your job is to always be professional)
- high level dancers who can execute consistently and with great technique/performance quality, skills such as (including, but not limited to):

sharp/precise movements; double and triple pirouettes; high kicks; a variety of leaps and jumps (i.e. grand jetes, saut de chats, leaps in second, switch leaps, tilt jumps, turning leaps/jumps, toe touches, etc); pirouette combinations including fouettes and turns in second; turn combinations including chaines, pique turns, soutenus, etc; style (i.e. body waves, detailed footwork, floorwork); picking up hip-hop style quickly; picking up jazz choreography with style, energy and accented movements; etc

8:30 am- 4:30 pm: Auditions (Cuts will be made throughout the audition process, but be prepared to stay the full day)

4:30 pm: KSU Classy Cats Team 2017-18 is announced and short meeting

ALL MATERIALS ARE DUE BY April 21st, 2017

Thank you for expressing interest in the Kansas State University Classy Cats.

This year's auditions will be held on May 6th, 2017 at Ahearn Fieldhouse. A map of the campus can be found at <http://www.ksu.edu/maps>.

The combinations will be taught the day of the audition. Your performance will be judged on your showmanship, technique, style, musicality/rhythm, and ability to learn quickly.

Audition Attire:

Black Hot Shorts, Any Color Sports Bra or Performance Half-top, Jazz Shoes, Full Make-Up, No Jewelry (post earrings are acceptable), Performance Hair- Hair Down out of face (can wear pouf, side pouf, front braid, or sides up)

Before auditions, please send the following

(THESE MATERIALS MUST BE IN BY APRIL 21st, 2017)

- Two letters of recommendation from a coach, dance instructor, teacher, boss, mentor – Someone that can speak towards your dance experience, work ethic, and personality.
- A Short essay entitled Why I Want to be a Classy Cat- Explain the dynamic you can bring to the team and what factors made you decide to audition to be a Classy Cat
- Recent photo (will not be returned)- At least a 5x7 color photo

All MUST complete the auxiliary registration form prior to auditions. Please send all materials to:

Auxiliary Auditions

226 McCain Auditorium

Manhattan, KS 66506

A registration fee of \$10.00 will be due when you sign up for the auditions. Checks may be payable to KSU Bands. We look forward to your attendance at the auditions, and wish you the best of luck. For questions please call KSU Band Office (785-532-3816) or Email quigley@ksu.edu