

Performing Arts Center

P.K. YONGE

BAND, MODERN MUSIC, VOCAL & DRAMATIC ARTS

2024-25 Auditions for the 2025-26 School Year

You must register in advance for an audition

Click Here to REGISTER

(if you are trying to register on a mobile device and having trouble, please try a computer)

P.K. Yonge Performing Arts Center offers programs in Vocal & Dramatic Arts, Band, and Modern Music. New to PK students interested in participating in these programs must complete an audition for enrollment consideration. Rising middle and high school students may audition in any concentration area.

PAC concentration areas:

- Vocal Dramatic Arts (singing, acting, choreography/dancing)
- Band (traditional concert and marching band)
- Modern Music (rock-band style instruments like guitar, bass, keys, drumset, vocals, and electronic music) <u>Performance examples.</u>

Pathways (High school students only)

Modern Music Entrepreneurism (MME) students learn to play guitar, keyboard, bass, and drums. They write, record, produce, and market their original music and learn how to function effectively in the music industry. MME Pathway students may also participate in the Vocal & Dramatic Arts or Band program; participation is NOT mandatory.

Other Pathways: High school students may choose another non-music PK pathway and also be a part of the Band or Vocal and Dramatic Arts programs.

Students are auditioning for a priority placement designation. Unfortunately, not all students who pass the PAC audition and receive priority placement will be offered enrollment by the PK admissions department. A limited number of new admissions invitations will be extended based on a successful audition AND school admissions criteria. The admissions office will notify families about enrollment opportunities. Final decisions are NOT made by the Performing Arts Department.

Audition Dates:
Saturday, January 25, 2025
10 am- 3 pm
P.K. Yonge Performing Arts Center

Audition Requirements (Prospective PK Students)

1. Complete a P.K. Yonge School Application - Due by Jan 17th

Complete an application with the PK Yonge Admissions office. You must complete this application <u>before</u> registering for auditions. Missing or incomplete applications will not receive an audition time.

2. Pre-register for an audition time- Due January 17th

Prospective students must Pre-register for auditions by clicking on the <u>REGISTRATION link</u> above. Pre-registration will close on January 17, 2025. You will receive an email confirmation with your audition time on Wednesday, January 22.

3. Prepare a Resume

Students should bring a short resume including a headshot (photo does not have to be a professional photo)

- Resumes should include any private studio instruction, any performance experience, and length of study.
- Please include classroom, group, and school experiences.
- A sample resume is attached. You may use this format model or create your own layout. (pdf)

4. What you need to prepare for your Audition

The student's audition should be no longer than four (4) minutes. Students should prepare an audition that reflects their program interests.

Vocal and Dramatic Arts Program

Students are to prepare America in the key of Eb Major, which can be found through the <u>following link</u>. Students will sing with the "Performance Track."

- Students <u>may</u> choose to sing another selection in addition to the required piece. This piece must be from traditional musical theater or movie musical repertoire (no Top 40 or pop music). Please bring your own accompaniment. You may not sing a capella (without accompaniment).
- Students may be asked to demonstrate tonal memory and vocal range through call-and-response exercises led by the instructors. (no preparation needed)
- Students may prepare a short monologue or dance routine in addition to their vocal selection.

Traditional Band Program (Marching and Concert Band)

- Students should play an excerpt of a piece demonstrating their instrumental ability. (Hint: It's always better to play something well than to play something hard that you haven't mastered.)
- Students will be asked to sight-read.
- Students should be prepared to play as many major scales as they can.

Modern Music Program

- Students should demonstrate their ability to play a Modern Music instrument (guitar, bass, keys, drums, etc.)
- This link shows examples of some of the styles of music we play in this class.
- Students may play multiple instruments.
- Musicians may sing and accompany themselves
- Original songs are highly encouraged but not required.

After you register, you will receive an email on January 22, 2025, with your audition time. The audition will occur on January 25, 2025, in the Performing Arts Center at P.K. Yonge.

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Registration Closes on: Friday, January 17th, 2025

You must have an application on file with the admissions office at P.K. Yonge.

For audition questions, please contact Dr. Jamie Burg, jburg@pky.ufl.edu