



2018-2019 Audition Rules



Puttin' on the Ritz, Saturday, April 20, 2019, 6 p.m., Carter High School Theater Hall

Student(s) **must** currently be enrolled in the **Rialto Unified School District**. Digital Ritz audition applications will be available on the District website beginning **Monday, January 9, 2019**.

Students must submit a completed application by **Friday, Feb 8, 2019**. Counselors/Elementary Administrators are to please forward these completed applications to the **Rialto Unified School District Communications Services, C/O Syeda Jafri**, to be received **no later than the DEADLINE of Friday, Feb. 8, 2019**.

We apologize in advance, but an ***incomplete application*** will be dismissed by the 'Ritz' Gala Committee. The actual application which grants permission for student media release must be honored.

- 1.) Parent/Guardian **cannot** be present **in the room** during the audition (a waiting room is provided).
- 2.) Parent/Guardian understands that audition judges are unbiased, trained professional who will not discuss the auditions openly. **Judges are not permitted to have children/students who are enrolled the RUSD.**
- 3.) Participants will be judged according to their age group, and on *originality, presentation, form, technique, content*. Due to the elegance of the Gala event, judges discourage street-attire and/or an aggressive alternative format lacking general decorum. A scoring system will be used to produce fair and accurate results.
- 4.) Prior participants of 'the Ritz' must wait ***two years*** before auditioning again.

The *Puttin' on the Ritz* Gala Committee will notify each school, which had a student auditioning, of the final audition results, including the name of each participant who made the audition by **late March, 2019**. Please understand that *all decisions made by the judges are final*. Thank you.

Applicants will be notified via email or phone of audition date and location. It is the Parents'/Guardians' responsibility to provide transportation for their child to the audition.

A final mandatory rehearsal will be scheduled in **April 2019**. During this rehearsal a critique and necessary changes will be suggested to the student(s) by a professional choreographer, if needed. Complete compliance of each student act is required by the Gala Committee. A final, mandatory dress rehearsal will be held at Carter High School a week prior to "the Ritz" in April. More information will be provided in the future.

Each parent/guardian will receive a complimentary ticket, courtesy of the RUSD Board of Education and Superintendent to watch their child perform at "the Ritz." Any additional tickets may be purchased in February. Puttin' on the Ritz is a District Fine Arts Gala Fundraiser (tax deductible) which enhances the lives of our fine arts students.

For further questions, please contact 'Ritz' Gala Chairperson, Syeda Jafri, at **(909) 820-7700, ext. 2123**.

