

## *Drama for 7th & 8th Graders*

### Video Requirements

Applicants are required to record a 3-4 minute video audition. Applicants will submit a link to their video through the application checklist. Visit [SCGSAH.org/apply-now](https://scgsah.org/apply-now) to begin applying or access the application portal.

### Video Format

- 1. Introduce yourself and your material:** "My name is (your preferred name and last name). I have prepared (title of poem) by (poet's name). In my first performance, my quality is (quality one) and in my second performance my quality is (quality two). My song is (title) by (composer/songwriter)."
- 2. Present your poem with two different qualities:** Poems should be memorized. Choose a poem that you connect to and **present it twice**, each time with a different quality. Choose qualities that are contrasting.
  - **Quality examples:** excited, joyful, enthusiastic, persuasive, patient, nervous, grieving, frustrated, disinterested, bored
  - Consider how your performance changes when your quality is different. What can you do that is subtle but still conveys these different qualities? What can you do to stay true to the meaning of the poem while speaking through the lens of your chosen qualities?
- 3. Perform your song a capella (without accompaniment):** Sing 16 bars (1-2 musical phrases) of a song you enjoy and are comfortable singing. This song is not about testing your skills as a singer, but to hear your vocal quality for the stage. It is also an opportunity to showcase your acting skills through song. You can sing from a musical, a folk song, or popular music; whatever feels right to you and instills confidence in the performance.

### Tips

- Sound quality is important! Make sure we can clearly hear you without distracting background noises.
- Set the camera 4-5 feet away and stand while recording. We should be able to see from around the knees up.
- Need help creating the link for your video? [Check out this resource!](#)
- **Questions?** Contact us at [applydrama@scgsah.org](mailto:applydrama@scgsah.org)