

ACADEMY AUDITION INTERVIEW VIDEO GUIDELINES

Application Video Requirements

The total video time, including your introduction, and interview questions should be between four to six (4-6) minutes.

Without stopping the camera, record your introduction first and answer the interview questions in one "take," or effort. Do not stop or edit them together. The interview questions (listed below) can be read from a card or sheet of paper, but not your answers. We want to get a sense of your personality and why you are interested in our program, which is hard to do if you read from a card. Just be yourself and talk to the camera as if you are having a conversation!

Introduce Yourself:

"My name is (your preferred name and last name). I am applying for the Creative Writing Academy Program."

Interview Questions for Applicants:

1. What books and authors make up your reading background? What books have impacted you in the last six months?
2. How often do you write? When you write, what genre (poetry, fiction) do you typically write in?
3. Why do you want to be a part of the Governor's School Community?
4. Tell us about any interests/activities outside of writing. These can be simple hobbies that you have. This is a place to share a little more about yourself.
5. If you had 24 hours to do whatever you want, what would you do and why?

Before Recording the Audition Video

Tips to Ensure a Quality Recording

Record your video in a clearly defined interior space, making sure the acoustics in the room are strong. Hallways are not usually the best place to record. Avoid rooms with an echo or “boomy” sound, if possible. Try to choose a room with a door you can close to limit other noises on your recording.

Do not move the camera, phone, computer, etc. around while recording.

After Recording the Audition Video

Watch your video(s)! Make sure the image is upright (not sideways) and plays like you want it to be seen.

Save the name of your file with your last name, preferred name, grade, and art area. *DO NOT* delete the file type when renaming. Ex. Smith.Jane.9.CreativeWriting.mp4

For directions on how to submit your video, download and read the *Creative Writing Video Submission Guidelines* PDF.

Contact Information

For Information or assistance, contact Alyssa Smith in the Office of Admissions at applycw@scgsah.org or call 864.546.0312