



Department of Bands

2024-2025 LSU Colorguard Audition Information

Questions? Contact Johnette Folse at lsucgoffical@gmail.com

Basic Requirements

1. Current LSU students or transfer students must have an overall 2.0 GPA.
2. Incoming freshmen must be accepted to LSU. This is a non-negotiable; register as early as possible to eliminate issues with delayed acceptance to LSU.
3. Online registration must be completed by **Monday, April 15, 2024, at 11:59 pm CST**.
4. If you make the team, you are required to attend at least 1 (out of 3) summer clinic and band camp August 17-25, 2024.
5. Proof of enrollment/admissions letters and recommendation letters are due by **Friday, April 19, 2024 at 11:59pm CST** to lsucgoffical@gmail.com.

Audition Numbers

All participants will be emailed an audition number once registration has closed, no later than **April 16, 2024**. This number will be used to label your video file submissions for round 1, but you do NOT have to wear the number in the video. (This allows you to start filming even though numbers have not been issued.)

Audition Process

Round 1: Fundamentals Video Submission

You must follow the video posted on our website and social media. These fundamental skills are also listed below. Please make sure you use the correct hands/feet.

- Drop spins on the right hand with box formation starting with the right foot.
- Drop spins on the left hand with box formation starting with the left foot.
- Carves on right and left hand.
- Pull hits on right hand with toss.
- Pull hits on left hand.
- Right hand doubles
- Left hand angle toss.
- You must use a metronome to keep your tempo. Please use 110bpm.

Videos must be submitted by **Friday April 19, 2024 at 11:59pm CST**.

- Participants will upload an unlisted YouTube video and submit the video to lsucgoffical@gmail.com
- Please follow the "video submission guidelines" at the end of this document.
- <https://youtu.be/P7Pow6O4ZoU?feature=shared> Fundamental routine link

Finalists from Round 1 will be emailed no later than **Sunday April 18, 2024 at 11:59pm CST**.

Rounds 2 & 3: In-Person Auditions

Performed in front of a panel of judges at Tiger Band Hall on LSU Baton Rouge Campus on Saturday April 27, 2024 starting at 9am CST. [Map link](#) to Tiger Band Hall.

Please bring lunch and snacks and eat as needed. NO lunch break will be given.



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Parking is available immediately adjacent to the building. However, no guests/family/observers will be allowed inside the Tiger Band Hall, including the breezeway areas immediately outside the doors.

Please provide a current headshot photo, which will not be returned. You will then receive your audition number.

Round 2: Solo Audition

Semifinalists will create a solo routine with dance and flag work. Music must be sent to lsucgoffical@gmail.com no later than **April 25, 2024 at 11:59pm CST**. This routine should be creative and showcase your skills. Please follow the requirements below.

- Routine will be a minimum of 1 minute but can not exceed 1 and 30 seconds.
- 1 double flag toss with a body move underneath. These options can include, but are not limited to, a single 360 turn, arabesque jump, ground roll, etc.
- 1 angle toss- your choice
- No more than 16 counts of dance without flag.
- You can use your flag or one of ours.

Any cuts will be announced after this round concludes.

Round 3: On Spot Routine

Finalists will review fundamentals and learn a flag routine and a stands routine from our current LSU Colorguard Captains, and then perform each for our judges in small groups.

The preliminary LSU Colorguard team will be announced at the conclusion of this round. Final cuts can take place throughout the summer into band camp.

*For information on virtual auditions please email jfols1116@gmail.com.



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Video Submission Guidelines

Round 1

- Film in a well lit area.
- Do not edit/splice together videos, it should be one continuous video.
- Be sure the perspective of your video is from the front and that the judges can see everything you are doing, including your feet.
- You must film your video horizontally.
- A video from your smartphone is fine.
- Video should be “titled” on YouTube with your audition number when submitted: LSUCG#. Example: My audition number is 16, my video would be labeled LSUCG#16.
- Here is a video on how to upload you video to YouTube. [Link Here](#)
- Make sure you state your audition number to the camera in the beginning of your video. Do NOT state your name.
- Use a secondary device for your metronome loudly at 110 bpm while you record using your phone/camera.

Attire/Hair/Makeup

- For all rounds attire:
 - Hip to ankle black leggings
 - Black or tan jazz shoes
 - Black fitted sleeveless top
 - No long fingernails and neutral colors only.
- Hair
 - Half up, half down performance look.
 - If you have short hair, please make sure hair is appropriately groomed for all rounds and out of your face.
- Makeup
 - Gameday- heavier natural look
 - No red lipsticks, strictly neutrals.
 - No bright, too dark, or neon color eyeshadows.

2024-2025 LSU Colorguard Auditions Checklist

April 15, 2024

- Registration

April 19, 2024

- Proof of Enrollment
- 2 Recommendation Letters
- Submitted fundamentals video

April 25, 2024

- Submit Solo Routine music