

The Avon Valley School and Performing Arts College

Application Form for Performing Arts Place September 2023



Applicant Details			
Student's Surname		Student's Forenames	
Date of Birth			
Address	House Name/No.		
	Street		
	Town/City		
	County		
	Postcode		

Children living in the priority area who will have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission should not apply as they already have a higher position in the oversubscription criteria.

Does the applicant already have a sibling who attends The Avon Valley School?

Parent/Carer Details	
Name(s)	
Telephone No. (including STD code)	
Email Address	

I hereby apply for a Performing Arts place at The Avon Valley School and Performing Arts College for my child.

I understand that he/she will be required to attend a workshop-based aptitude assessment at The Avon Valley School and Performing Arts College.

I understand that up to 22 students will be allocated a place based on their aptitude in Dance, Drama or Music.

My child specialises in:

Please tick all that apply Dance Drama Music

Signed (Parent or Guardian)		Date	
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Music, Dance and Drama workshops will be taking place on **Friday 7th October 2022** from 9.00am. Your child will be invited to attend one of these sessions.

Please return this form to:

The Avon Valley School and Performing Arts College, Newbold Road, Rugby, CV21 1EH, by 3.05pm **Friday 30th September 2022**. An acknowledgement will be sent.



Specialist Performing Arts Status

Selection procedure for students based on aptitude in the Performing Arts

The Avon Valley School and Performing Arts College is a specialist Performing Arts college and as a result of this is able to select 10% of students based on their aptitude in one or more of the three Performing Arts disciplines: Dance, Drama or Music.

A student with aptitude is one who is identified as being able to benefit from teaching in the Performing Arts subjects of Drama, Dance or Music or who demonstrates a particular capacity to succeed in one or more of these subjects. Through a workshop the school will assess whether the applicants have an aptitude for a subject by determining whether they demonstrate a particular capacity to learn or to develop skills in the Performing Arts, and can benefit from the particular expertise and facilities at the school.

There will be workshop assessment in all three disciplines through practical performance. The assessment will be objective, have a distinctive subject focus and will not discriminate against applicants in any way, including on the grounds of ethnic origin, disability or family background. The assessment will only assess aptitude in the three disciplines of Music, Dance or Drama and not ability or aptitude in any other subject.

Up to twenty-two students will be selected on their aptitude in any one discipline or a combination of the three disciplines

Students will be required to attend a practical workshop-based session at the school. These will be held on the following dates and applicants will be allocated a date and time to attend:

Friday 7th October 2022 between 9.00am - 3.00pm.

The subject areas will be assessed in four common ways:

- Performance
- Composition
- Appreciation
- Personal Skills

Assessment criteria have been written for each subject area but these and the tasks will be given on the day and not in advance to prevent prior training or coaching of applicants. Students applying for musical aptitude should prepare a short piece to perform on any instrument (including voice).

Quality and fairness will be assured with a specialist teacher from the school leading the workshop assessment whilst another specialist teacher observes and assesses.

If you feel that the assessment has been conducted unfairly in any way, you may address your complaint in the first instance to the Chair of the Admissions Committee, c/o the school.