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Nashville School of the Arts Auditions

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (Jan. 18, 2008) –Auditions for the Nashville School of the Arts 2008-2009 school year will begin Monday, Jan. 21 at 8 a.m. Auditions will also be held Tuesday, Jan. 22 from 4-7 p.m., with makeup auditions scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 23.

"The kids are really excited about coming out to audition," said NSA Principal Bob Wilson. "We have approximately 350 kids already signed up, but before it's all over we usually have 600 or 700 applicants."

NSA officials will conduct a student-by-student evaluation Thursday, Jan. 24 selecting roughly 200 students for the upcoming school year. Selections are made based on the students' auditions, interviews, or essays, and current openings at the school.

Second round auditions will be held in early spring, but a specific date has not been set.

Nashville School of the Arts is a truly unique learning environment. NSA is a public magnet school offering grades 9-12 for students living within Metro Nashville. Major arts areas include: dance, mass media, music, theatre and visual art. Students are expected to study in their respective arts and complete the same academic curriculum as other MNPS students. For more information regarding NSA visit www.nashvilleschoolofthearts.com.

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