



**Date: April 7, 2024**

**To: DDCA Board**

**From: DDCA Board (Prepared by James Healey)**

**Subject: All-State Audition schedule/date change**

**Proposal Title:** All State Audition Date Change

**List the item or items that the proposal would change/add/remove.**

- 1) Change:** Make a change the All State Audition – Change the date from January (Currently the Saturday before MLK Holiday Weekend) to the third competitive weekend of the competition calendar. This date will fall before the DDCA Invitational, in December, and stay consistent from year to year.
- 2) Remove:** Remove the current format to hold All State Auditions on MLK Holiday weekend (Sunday before MLK Holiday).
- 3) Add:** Adopt a new format of holding All-State Auditions on a weekend in December.
  - a. In the case of 2024-2025 season - Sunday, December 8, 2024
  - b. Audition will be held towards the beginning of the Dance Team Winter Season and before the Winter Holiday Break.
- 4) Option:** *All-State Team could be announced at the DDCA Invitational, if desired.*
- 5) No Change:** All-State Team will still perform at OSAA State Championships, award medals, and names will be announced. – Format of the audition day would remain consistent with past auditions, unless the DDCA Board adopts new audition adjustments.

**Reasons:**

**List the reasoning for this proposal here. This could have one point of reason, or many.**

- 1) Reason 1: This change would help teams from areas that tend to have inclement weather, or need to travel through inclement weather, to participate in the All-State Auditions under more predictable weather conditions. Often, January is the most common month for weather related delays and cancellations, and early December usually has less weather related issues.
- 2) Reason 2: Sometimes certain school districts will not allow students to travel if their area(s) are experiencing inclement weather, and other areas are not. Even if the audition event location is not impacted by weather, other areas in Oregon could be.
- 3) Reason 3: For the All-State audition event, this change would help eliminate weather related cancellations and/or schedule changes that often occur in January.
- 4) Reason 4: More dancers would be able to travel and participate in the event.

**Ramifications:**

**List any consequence or implication derived from the change. This could have one ramification, or many.**

- 1) Ramification 1: More dancers would be able to participate in the All-State auditions
- 2) Ramification 2: Weather related cancellations/changes would be less common.
- 3) Ramification 3: Teams and dancers would need to adapt to a new timeline for their scheduling.
- 4) Ramification 4: The Winter DDCA Membership meeting will not align with the All-State Audition.

- 5) Ramification 5: Teams that are not as active in the Fall may have to adjust their calendars and/or process to allow for All-State Audition participants.
- 6) Ramification 6: This timing each year would/could be in flux and dependent on the calendar layout in a given year. *Note: All-State will be scheduled for the Sunday of our third weekend of competition annually.*
- 7) Ramification 7: The December 8, 2024 date does not include a Holiday (day off) after the audition.
- 8) Ramification 8: DDCA Board would be organizing two major events in the month of December: All-State Auditions **and** DDCA Invitational.
- 9) Ramification 9: January would be completely open for teams to practice, compete, and/or fundraise.

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