WVU Feature Twirler Video Auditions 2024

Auditions for the WVU Feature Twirlers will be a two-step process. Applicants must submit a video of their twirling skills by **Monday February 19, 2024 at 11:59PM**. Videos will be reviewed and the final applicants will be invited back for the on-site auditions at the WVU campus.

Twirlers who have previously been members of the WVU Mountaineer Marching Band are required to re-audition each year, meaning all twirling positions are open. The number of twirlers selected for 2024 will be based on the performance level of the applicants and the judges' decision in consultation with the Director of the WVU Marching Band. In previous years, between 2-4 twirlers have been accepted.

Video Audition

Individuals interested in auditioning for a position should complete the <u>Intent to Audition Form</u> and then follow the instructions below.

- Applicants need to send audition videos digitally via email providing a Youtube hyperlink
 - Please set the YouTube video to "unlisted" so it is not available to the general public.
 - The applicant's contact information (email address, mailing address, and phone number) must also be included.
- Applicants are asked to answer the 3 following questions (short answer; no more than one paragraph each)
 - 1) Describe your most memorable moment/time as a twirler.
 - 2) Why have you selected WVU to further your twirling career?
 - 3) What are your career goals?
- Resumes and/or letters of recommendation are welcomed, but not required. All materials (video link, answers to questions, and contact information) should be sent to Dr. Paula Meyer-Stout no later than **Monday**, **February 19**, **2024**. The email should be titled "WVU Feature Twirler Audition Video."

Video Content

- A short introduction of the twirler
- Highlights the twirling and presentation skills of the twirler by clips of individual routines and/or on-field or competition performances
- Highlights different skill sets of the twirlers (multiple batons, novelty, gymnastics, etc.)
- The video should be no longer than 5 minutes

All applicants will be contacted following video materials review and those selected for the 2nd step of the audition process (on-site audition; date to be determined) will be invited to the open audition on the WVU campus.

If Invited to WVU Campus to Audition

- One baton routine (4 minutes, max.)
- Multiple baton routine (4 minutes, max.)
- Must wear a white top (tank top, t-shirt, etc.) and dark bottoms (pants, skirt, shorts, etc.)
- There will be a short interview with the judges after the performances

Questions about auditions for Feature Twirler positions may be directed to:

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