

GUIDELINES FOR STATE COLLEGE STUDENTS AND SPONSORS

As we return to hosting a live, in-person conference safely, we want to welcome our State College students and Sponsors back to the festivities. This year's conference will look different than those hosted pre-Pandemic, most importantly due to our new incredible location at the AdventHealth Fieldhouse and Conference Center in Winter Haven, FL. With this more centralized location, we hope more State College students will be able to attend and participate in the transfer auditions/interviews and College Fair. Below are some important guidelines and helpful hints to keep in mind as you determine how best to make the 2021 FTC Conference a successful experience.

- The Transfer auditions/interviews will be exactly the same style and process as the High School auditions. Please click the following link to see the guidelines for these Auditions/Interviews:

 [Auditions Link] [Preparing the Audition Music]
 [Tech Interviews Link]
- 2) All transfer auditions will be scheduled together in the same audition blocks (groups of 20) to help facilitate State College students' transportation needs to and from the conference (i.e., carpools, vans, etc.). Transfer Tech Interviews will take place during the same Tech Interview block as the High School Tech Interviews. The scheduled audition times will be determined as registrations are received.
- 3) Though there will be fewer workshops offered in our safe re-opening of the live Conference, the College Fair will be open and is a vital part of the transfer process. State College students should plan time to visit the College Fair, meet and network with various University reps and professors, and gain valuable information about the programs they are interested in applying to. These kinds of informal interviews with admissions personnel can often help with getting accepted into the programs of your choice; they add a much needed personal touch to your formal audition/tech interview and they do matter. As such, make sure to dress professionally, bring copies of your theatre resume, and be "on" when speaking to various college reps. Also, think about what sets you apart from high school seniors auditioning for the same programs; what is it you've learned in your two years at a State College that makes you a valuable asset to these 4 year programs?
- 4) Speaking of the College Fair, don't forget to check out the new "Transfer Station" booth during your visit. This hospitality table, specifically created for State College students and instructors, will be a great place to find information about the various transfer programs, meet other State College attendees, and have a home base during the Conference where you know you are always welcome. We'll even provide a map of the College Fair with schools accepting/looking for transfer students highlighted and their programs noted. Come say hi and make some new friends with people like you from all around the state of Florida.
- 5) Due to SETC social-distancing protocols, all SETC screening auditions will be handled virtually and will not occur during this year's conference. Though we will not be hosting these auditions in-person this year, we still encourage you to go through the SETC audition process, and more information can be found at the following link:

[SETC Screening Audition link]