

**Talent Academy 2022
Preparation Notes and Checklist for Year 5 Dance Applicants
International Baccalaureate Career-related Programme (IBCP)
DSA-JC and Non-DSA**

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TALENT ACADEMY 2022**Checklist for Submission of Supporting Documents to be Uploaded via the TA Portal
DSA-JC and Non-DSA IBCP Applicants**

Apply online via the TA Portal between 8 April 12:00 noon to 17 May 2022, 5:00 pm (SGT)

No	Document Title (to be uploaded directly to the TA Portal)	Maximum File Size	File Type
1	<p>Applicant's Identification Document</p> <p><u>Singaporeans</u> Birth Certificate or Citizenship Certificate</p> <p><u>Singapore Permanent Residents</u> Passport and Re-Entry Permit</p> <p><u>Foreigners residing in Singapore</u> Passport and Dependant's or Student Pass</p>	1 MB	PDF
2	<p>1 recent passport-sized colour photograph</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Should be taken against plain white background ● <u>Do not</u> upload a full-length photograph 	2 MB	JPEG, JPG
3	<p>Academic Results</p> <p><u>8 April to 17 May (All Applicants)</u></p> <p>DSA-JC: Sec 3E/4NA End-of-Year results.</p> <p>Non-DSA: 2021 academic results. All original transcripts not in English should be accompanied with a translated document.</p> <p><u>June – date to be confirmed (Shortlisted Applicants Only)</u></p> <p>DSA-JC: Log in to the TA Portal and upload your Sec 4E/5NA mid-year result. Please make a photocopy of your results before returning your reportbook to your primary school. If you did not make a copy, you may request for one from your school. The General Office is open during the school term break.</p> <p>Non-DSA: Log in to the TA Portal and upload your most recent 2022 academic results. All original transcripts not in English should be accompanied with a translated document. You may skip this step if you do not have any latest results to upload.</p>	2 MB	PDF
4	<p>DSA-JC applicants (if applicable):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mother Tongue Language In-Lieu Letter ● Mother Tongue Language Exemption Letter 	1 MB	PDF

Note:

- It takes about 45 minutes to 1 hour to complete the entire application for **ONE** (1) artform, provided that the portfolio submission and all supporting documents have been prepared in advance
- Applicants are advised to submit their applications early, as the TA Portal may experience slower connectivity due to high traffic towards the close of the application period
- Incomplete applications will be disqualified. Appeals for late submissions will not be considered

The TA Portal opens from 8 April 12:00 noon to 17 May, 5:00 pm (SGT). There will be no extension of deadline for submission of application. Do ensure you have ample time to complete and submit your application.

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Preparation Notes for Portfolio Submission in Dance (for all applicants) International Baccalaureate Career-related Programme (IBCP)

SOTA offers a holistic dance education through a mind-body approach. Ballet and Contemporary Dance form the basis of our physical training, and dance genres such as Chinese Dance, Malay Dance, and Indian Dance are introduced in Dance Contextual Studies and Dance Analysis. Composition and improvisation modules also allow students to hone and develop their creative voice.

SOTA offers the IB Career-related Programme (IBCP) in Year 5 and 6. IBCP students engage in a programme of study that equips them with transferable and lifelong skills in applied knowledge, critical thinking, communication, and cross-cultural engagement as they prepare for professional pathways and vocations in the arts.

To apply, you will need to meet the following pre-requisites:

- Extensive training in Classical Ballet
- Extensive training in Contemporary Dance
- A high degree of self-motivation and self-discipline to embrace all aspects of dance
- Theoretical knowledge and understanding of diverse dance forms
- Advanced ability to analyse and investigate diverse dance genres
- Advanced ability to choreograph in a variety of dance styles
- Excellent standard of English (spoken and written)
- An interest in dance as a language for expression and communication is also essential

What to Submit for the Dance Portfolio

Item	Description
(A) 1-minute solo dance video (B) Dance Exercise 1 video	<p>(A) 1-minute solo dance video</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A recording of you performing a <u>solo</u> Ballet or Contemporary dance• If the choreography requires a partner, only you will be assessed <p>(B) Dance Exercise 1 video</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• View and Learn the Dance Exercise 1 via this link: https://www.sota.edu.sg/admissions/talent-academy/ta-dsajc-da-exercises• Record a video of you performing the dance exercise <p><u>Instructions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Record the solo dance and the dance exercise 1 in a studio setting, or any open space/room• Record the videos in a single take (no editing). Videos <u>cannot</u> be professionally produced• Save the 2 videos into 1 folder• Upload the folder to Google Drive• Privacy Setting: ensure that it is set to 'Anyone with the link'• Paste the shared link on the TA Portal in the 'Uploaded to External Site URL' field <p><u>Attire</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Plain, form fitting dance-practice gear (refer to Annex A)
2 photos	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2 recent 4R full-length photos of you dressed in your dance attire, and in the dance poses as shown in Annex A <p><u>Instructions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Save the 2 photos into 1 folder• File type: .pdf, .jpg, .jpeg• Folder Name: Your Full Name• Folder size should not exceed 10mb• Upload the folder to Google Drive• Privacy Setting: ensure that it is set to 'Anyone with the link'• Paste the shared link on the TA Portal in the 'Uploaded to External Site URL' field
Note(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Supporting documents, portfolios, and photographs submitted for shortlisting will be retained for the school's records.• Certificates, achievement records, testimonials, recommendation letters are <u>not</u> required.

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Entrance Tests – Information for Non-DSA IBCP applicants

You may consider purchasing the local GCE 'O' level assessment books for the following subjects to familiarise yourself with the topics and exercises.

Only shortlisted applicants are required to take the tests. More information will be shared with shortlisted candidates on how the tests will be conducted.

Test	Information
English Comprehension and Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● You will be given 5 minutes to read the instructions carefully, and 1 hour 15 minutes to complete the test● Based on an expository text, candidates will answer a variety of questions testing close reading and comprehension skills, vocabulary in context and the use of language for impact● Based on an expository text, students will respond to an author's key arguments.
Mathematics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● You will be given 5 minutes to read the instructions carefully, and 1 hour 30 minutes to complete the test● No calculator or Graphic Display Calculator is allowed● Formula Booklet will be provided● Candidates must complete 10 problem-solving questions that carry a total of 80 marks● The topics that will be covered are as follows:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Prior Knowledge of Year 1 to 4 Mathematics (Elementary Mathematics and some Additional Mathematics) is required○ Functions and Graphs○ Quadratic Functions and Graphs○ Nature of roots for Quadratic Functions○ Logarithms○ Trigonometry: Identities, Double Angle Formula and Trigonometric Graphs○ Differentiation of Polynomials, Exponential and Logarithmic Functions○ Applications of Differentiation: Increasing and Decreasing Functions and Equations of Tangents and Normals○ Integration of Polynomials○ Applications of Integration: Area

Annex A

**Attire and Poses for the 4R photographs
Attire for Audition Day**

Female Applicants



Male Applicants



Annex B

Guide to uploading and compressing videos and/or documents for submission via the TA Portal

1. How do I upload videos and files to Google drive?

You may refer to the [Google Support page](#) for assistance

Direct Link:

<https://support.google.com/drive/answer/2424368?co=GENIE.Platform%3DDesktop&hl=en>

Google Search Engine

In google search engine, type the following keywords: How to upload files or folders to google drive

2. How do I upload videos to YouTube?

You may refer to the [YouTube Support page](#) for assistance

Direct Link:

https://support.google.com/youtube/answer/57407?hl=en&ref_topic=7505892

Google Search Engine

In google search engine, type the following keywords: How to upload video to YouTube

3. How do I convert, compress or merge documents to PDF?

There are many free online websites you can use. Below are a few suggestions. Please note that SOTA is not affiliated to any of these sites. The links below will bring you to an external website not hosted by SOTA.

Convert word document to pdf document

- a. www.freepdfconvert.com
- b. <https://smallpdf.com/word-to-pdf>

Compress / Resize pdf documents

- a. http://www.ilovepdf.com/compress_pdf

Merge individual pdf documents into 1 document

- b. http://www.ilovepdf.com/merge_pdf