

2025-2026 LSU Colorguard Audition Information

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Basic Requirements

1. Current LSU students or transfer students must have an overall 2.0 GPA.
2. Incoming freshmen must be accepted to LSU. This is non-negotiable; register as early as possible to eliminate issues with delayed acceptance to LSU.
3. Online registration must be completed by Saturday, April 12, at 11:59 pm CST.
4. If you make the team, you are required to attend at least 1 (out of 3) summer clinics and band camp August 16-24, 2025.
5. Proof of enrollment/admissions letters and recommendation letters are due by Saturday, April 12, 2025 at 11:59pm CST to guardcoachjess@gmail.com.

Audition Numbers

All participants will be emailed an audition number once registration has closed, no later than April 23, 2025. This number will be used to label your video file submissions for round 1, but you do NOT have to wear the number in the video. (This allows you to start filming even though numbers may not have been issued yet.)

Audition Process

Round 1: Fundamentals Video Submission

You must follow the video posted on our website and social media (and listed below). Please make sure you use the correct hands/feet.

- Drop spins on the right hand with box formation starting with the right foot.
- Drop spins on the left hand with box formation starting with the left foot.
- Carves on right and left hand.
- Pull hits on right hand with toss.
- Pull hits on left hand.
- Right hand doubles
- "Betty Boop" angle toss.
- You must use a metronome to keep your tempo. Please use 110bpm.

Videos must be submitted by Friday April 26, 2025 at 11:59pm CST.

- Participants will upload an unlisted YouTube video and submit the video to guardcoachjess@gmail.com. (Keep in mind these can take a while to load. Start early to ease your stress about the deadline.)

- Fundamental Routine Link: <https://youtu.be/P7Pow6O4ZoU?feature=shared>

Finalists from Round 1 will be emailed no later than Monday, April 28, 2025 at 11:59pm CST.

Rounds 2 & 3: In-Person Auditions

Performed in front of a panel of judges at Tiger Band Hall on LSU Baton Rouge Campus on Saturday May 3, 2025 starting at 9am CST. Map link to Tiger Band Hall. Please bring lunch and snacks and eat as needed. NO lunch break will be given. Parking is available immediately adjacent to the building. However, no guests/family/observers will be allowed inside the Tiger Band Hall, including the breezeway areas immediately outside the doors. Please wear black dance wear/athletic wear and have hair pulled back out of the face. Please provide a current headshot photo, which will not be returned. You will then receive your audition number.

Round 2: Solo Audition

Semifinalists will create a solo routine with dance and flag work. Music must be sent to guardcoachjess@gmail.com no later than April 30, 2025 at 11:59pm CST. This routine should be creative and showcase your skills. Please follow the requirements below.

- Routine will be a minimum of 1 minute but cannot exceed 1 and 30 seconds.
- 1 double flag toss with a body move underneath. These options can include, but are not limited to, a single 360 turn, arabesque jump, ground roll, etc.
- 1 angle toss- your choice
- No more than 16 counts of dance without flag.
(You may use your own flag or one of ours.)

Any cuts will be announced after this round concludes.

Round 3: On-the-Spot Routine

Finalists will review fundamentals and learn a flag routine, a portion of pre-game, and a stands routine from our current LSU Colorguard Captains, and then perform each for our judges in small groups. The final LSU Colorguard team will be announced at the conclusion of this round.

*For information on virtual auditions please email guardcoachjess@gmail.com.