



Greetings Candidates,

Thank you for your interest in our Talent Hunt Program. I am reaching out to the Hartford community as the chair of Tau Iota's 2021 Talent Hunt. In the past, we have had exceptionally talented students audition and participate in the competition and we are seeking qualified high school students that would like to participate this year. The event is virtual, we would need for the participants to submit video recordings of their performance.

- Participation in the Talent Hunt is open for the following forms of performing and visual art: **Music, dance, dramatic interpretation, or visual art.**
- All presentations including instrumental numbers must be memorized, dignified, and in good taste.
- Track music may be used for accompaniment if there is no lead instrumental or background vocals included on the track.
- **Video Submission** Requirements:
 - The contestants must submit their videos in .mp4 or .mov format only and contain the contestant's name. (e.g., mikesmith.mov)
 - The videos cannot contain any special effects to enhance their performance.
 - The contestants must provide a quick introduction (No longer than 15 seconds) prior to their performances.
Introduction should include: Greeting, Name, Age, Grade, School (City/State), Category of performance and composer (If applicable). Example: Kinichiwa, my name is Charles Young, I am 17 years old and a senior at Kubasaki High School in Okinawa, Japan. I will be performing in the dramatic interpretation category: "Invictus", by William Ernest Henley
 - The background area should have sufficient lighting and appropriate scenery.
 - The performance must be memorized and conducted in 6 minutes or less.
 - Appropriate dress in accordance with the guidelines is required.
 - **Videos do not need to be professionally recorded.**

- Videos made with iPhones or other digital devices are acceptable provided the audio and video are clear and in the proper format.
- **Submission of Contestant application form.**
- **Submission of Parental release and consent form.**

If you are a potential candidate or know of any potential candidates, please let me know as soon as possible. We wish to have the videos submitted by **February 24, 2021**.

Winners will be notified by March 1, 2021.

Scholarship Awards!

1st place - \$400

2nd place - \$200

3rd place - \$100

Best regards,

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Tau Iota 2021 Talent Hunt Chair

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