

Kilgore College Rangerettes

Wearing their traditional red, white, and blue uniform, the Kilgore College Rangerettes have exhibited the “all-American image” since 1940. The Rangerettes are dedicated to maintaining the core values of the community and presenting family friendly entertainment for all ages.

As the founders of precision dance/drill, they are known for their consistency and uniformity in dance and in appearance. Thus, all team members must dress exactly alike with no exceptions. Since uniformity is key to the Rangerettes’ dance style and tradition, hair length, hair-style, make-up, and the traditional Rangerette uniform are standardized to achieve this goal; individualized style is not allowed.

Given that all team members must be able to wear the traditional Rangerette uniform plus the logistical requirements that Rangerettes share accommodations in the Gussie Nell Davis Rangerette Residence and while traveling, **Rangerette tryouts are limited to female candidates only.** Furthermore, Rangerettes must maintain a wholesome and graceful appearance and wear makeup that is flattering while in the required uniform.

Information regarding opportunities to apply for a manager, a manager/performer, or the voice position is available on the Rangerette.com website.

Rangerette Pre-Training & Tryout General Information

All Rangerette Hopefuls are required to complete Pre-Training prior to tryouts. Pre-Training is one week (July 5-10, 2020) of concentrated work ending with tryouts. Hopefuls learn and perform a kick routine, a portion of the field jazz routine and several studio type combinations for tryouts.

Tryouts

Tryouts are held in closed session on Thursday, July 9, 2020. The tryout process is explained and thoroughly rehearsed during Pre-Training.

The new Rangerette line is announced in a **closed** meeting at 10:00 AM, Friday, July 10, 2020 in Dodson Auditorium.

There is a reception for all 2020–2021 Rangerettes and their parents in the Rangerette Gym following the announcement of the new Rangerette line. We will be sizing for uniforms during the reception.

The Director and Assistant Director choose new Rangerettes with assistance from returning sophomore Rangerettes and an outside panel of judges. **ALL DECISIONS ARE FINAL**. Those Hopefuls that are not selected may request a **WRITTEN** evaluation from the Directors. To request a written evaluation email danablair@rangerette.com and provide your name, tryout #, and physical mailing address.

Requests for written evaluations must be received by August 1, 2020.

NO requests will be honored after this date.

Room and Board Expenses – NEW

Check in time at Stark Hall is Saturday, July 4, 2020 from 4:00 – 5:00 pm ONLY. All Hopefuls will check in at the same time. You will have the remainder of the evening to unpack and get ready for the week.

Room and board for Pre-Training is \$175.00 (EXACT CASH ONLY). **Payment is collected by Mrs. Wayne at orientation meeting AFTER the Welcome Tea.** This payment is non-refundable. Meals begin with brunch on Sunday and conclude with dinner on Thursday. All other meals are at your own expense.

Everyone must check out of Stark Hall no later than 2:00 PM, Friday, July 10, 2020.

Pre-Training Special Activities

Rangerette Tea – Sunday, July 5, 2020, 1:30-3:00 PM

Location: Stewart McLaurin Administration Building – **This event is CLOSED to the public.**

This is a get acquainted meeting where you meet the Rangerette Directors and returning Sophomore Rangerettes. Please wear a nice dress.

Fitness Night – Monday and Tuesday, July 6-7, 2020, 6:00 PM

(Odd #'s Monday, Even #'s Tuesday)

Location: Rangerette Gym – **This event is CLOSED to the public.**

Wear black booty shorts, a black thick strapped bra top, NO tights, and jazz shoes.

Talent Night – Monday and Tuesday, July 6-7, 2020, 6:00 PM

(Even #'s Monday, Odd #'s Tuesday)

Location: Rangerette Gym – **This event is CLOSED to the public.**

This is an opportunity for Hopefuls to demonstrate their individual talents. Each Hopeful is **required** to perform a dance solo. **The NEW time limit for your performance is 1:15!** You may wear ANY attire you feel appropriate for your performance. Remember that this is YOUR time to shine.

Rangerette Official Tryout Day – Thursday, July 9, 2020, 8:00 – TBD

Location: Rangerette Gym/Dodson Auditorium – **This event is CLOSED to the public.**

You will meet in Dodson Auditorium until your group is called to the Rangerette Gym to perform. This will be discussed in detail at tryout. We will take a Judges Lunch break and determine if there are Call-backs. Be prepared to be in tryouts until 3:00 pm

Tryout Attire - NEW

All Hopefuls will wear a black thick strapped bra top and black booty shorts (NO longer than 2 inches). This is the same attire used for Fitness Night. NO tights. Aerobic type tennis shoes for kick and jazz shoes, dance paws or bare feet for dance combos.

Appropriate Attire for the week

During learning sessions Freshman Hopefuls **MAY** wear the following:

- a) Leotards, camisole/tank tops, form-fitting **ONLY** (Please use proper undergarments for support)
- b) Form-fitting booty style shorts **ONLY (May NOT be longer than 2 inches)**. NO color restrictions.
- c) Aerobic type tennis shoes are preferred for better support when kicking. Jazz shoes or dance paws are recommended for dance combinations. NO sock dancing.
- d) All Hopefuls are required to wear a pin sign during ALL learning sessions. Details are explained at Rangerette Summer Camp and again at the Pre-Training orientation meeting.

Freshman Hopefuls are **NOT** allowed to wear the following:

- a) Athletic shorts, skirts or skorts, long pants, capris or tights.
- b) Half-tops or sports bras as a top (may be worn as undergarment only)
- c) Big or oversized t-shirts (all attire must be form fitting)
- d) Scrunchies, clips, or bows in hair
- e) Jewelry of **ANY** kind
- f) Absolutely **NO** body-piercing other than earlobes (this includes flesh colored tongue rings). Tattoos are **strongly discouraged** and must be **completely covered at all times.**

Academics

All Rangerettes must enroll for, and successfully complete a minimum of 12 semester hours **each** and **every** long semester at Kilgore College, and must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50 to remain active in the organization for the succeeding semester and maintain residency in the Gussie Nell Davis Rangerette Residence. Developmental classes are used to calculate GPA for purposes of determining eligibility in Rangerettes.

Freshmen must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 at the end of the Spring 2021 semester to be eligible for officer tryouts for their sophomore year. Classes completed **after** the spring 2021 long semester (ends early May 2021) **ARE NOT** allowed in calculating GPA for officer candidate eligibility.

Rangerette Scholarships

Scholarships are awarded **after** pre-training to those who are selected for the Rangerette line. ALL freshmen Rangerettes receive the same scholarship amount. These scholarships are designated by the Rangerette Directors not by application to the college or the scholarship committee.

Gussie Nell Davis Rangerette Residence

ALL Rangerettes reside in the Gussie Nell Davis Rangerette Residence which opened August 1, 2006. **There are NO exceptions to this rule.** Room assignments are made at the conclusion of pre-training. Two students are assigned to each room, and each room has a private bath.

If you are selected for the Rangerette line, ALL freshmen are required to move in the Rangerette Residence Aug 7-9, 2020. Exact times will be announced at the conclusion of tryouts. Rehearsals will begin Sunday, August 9 and continue through Sunday August 23 with school officially starting on Monday, August 24, 2020. There are NO exceptions to this timeline.