

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 June 25 - 28, 2023

All Rangerette Hopefuls are required to complete Pre-Training and Tryouts June 25-28, 2023. Rangerette Pre-Training and Tryouts are **CLOSED** to the public.

The new Rangerette line is announced in a **closed** meeting at 10:00 AM, Wednesday, June 28, in Dodson Auditorium. All new freshmen Rangerettes will meet in the Rangerette Gym following the announcement to size for uniforms, pick roommates and rooms for the Gussie Nell Davis Rangerette Residence. We will break for lunch and then have a mandatory Freshmen Rangerette and Parent meeting from 2:00 – 4:00 in the Rangerette Gym.

The Director, Assistant Director and Dance Technician 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 July 14, 2023.**
NO requests will be honored after this date.

Pre-Training and Tryouts Room and Board Expenses - NEW

All Rangerette Hopefuls will be housed in **Nolen Hall** on the Kilgore College campus. The total cost for Room and Board and all Rangerette Pre-Training fees is \$185.00. This payment will be collected on Sunday, June 25, 2023 at our orientation meeting following the Rangerette Welcome Tea.

Tryouts – NEW Procedures

NEW – To make the best use of our time, a link to choreography you need to learn **prior** to attending Pre-training **will be made available on Thursday, June 22 at 5:00 pm.** We will review all material thoroughly but we will not re-teach. The tryout process will be thoroughly explained in our Orientation meeting after the Welcome Tea.

Pre-Training Special Activities and Information – NEW – ALL subject to change

NEW!!!! Sunday, June 25, 2023

Check in Nolen Hall from 8:30 am – 10:00 am ONLY

Official Rangerette Welcome Tea is from 11:00 – 12:30 in the McLaurin Administration Bldg.

(Wear a nice interview type dress and shoes)

Hopeful ONLY Orientation and Review Session is 1:30 – 5:00 in the Rangerette Gym

(Wear black booty shorts and any color, supportive bra top, hair in regular ponytail)

Dinner is 5:00 – 6:30

1st Tryout Session is 6:30 - 9:45

Monday and Tuesday, June 26-28 continue with official tryouts and Talent portion of our tryout.

Talent Night – All Hopefuls will perform a 1:00 minute dance solo (**NEW guidelines for Solos:** only 1 acrobatic trick, NO fouetté turn combinations, minimal floor work of no more than 2 eight counts total. Please include 2 advanced leaps, one multiple pirouette section as well as dance transitions. We want to see you dance and not just perform tricks.

Official Rehearsal and Tryout Attire – To be worn daily

All Hopefuls will wear black booty shorts (NO longer than 2-inch inseam – you may have to purchase these from a dancewear store or website). You may wear ANY color bra top that is fully supportive. NO tights. Aerobic type tennis shoes for kick and jazz shoes, dance paws or bare feet for dance combos – NO sock dancing. NO pin signs, only your tryout # that we provide.

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

- a) Tights under booty shorts
- b) Scrunchies, clips, or bows in hair
- c) Jewelry of **ANY** kind
- d) 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. Freshmen must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 at the end of the spring 2024 semester to be eligible for officer tryouts for their sophomore year. Classes completed **after** the spring 2024 long semester (ends early May 2024) **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. 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 August 11-13. Team rehearsals begin Monday, August 14, and continue through Friday August 18, in preparation for Show-Offs on Saturday, August 19 @ 7:30 pm in Dodson Auditorium. Team rehearsals will continue August 21-27 with school starting Monday, August 28.

There are NO exceptions to this timeline.