

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, overall appearance, hair length, 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 12-15, 2024

All Rangerette Hopefuls are required to complete Pre-Training and Tryouts, June 12-15, 2024. Rangerette Pre-Training and Tryouts are **CLOSED** to the public.

The new Rangerette line is announced in a **closed** meeting at 10:00 AM, Saturday, June 15th 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 June 30, 2024. NO requests will be honored after this date.**

Pre-Training and Tryouts Room and Board Expenses - NEW

NEW - All Rangerette Hopefuls will be housed in **Stark 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 **Wednesday, June 12, 2024** at our orientation meeting and review session.

Tryouts Procedures - NEW

NEW - In order to make the best use of our time we will provide a link to choreography you will need to learn **prior** to attending Pre-training. **That link will be available on Sunday, June 9th 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 and review session on June 12th.

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

NEW!!!! Wednesday, June 12, 2024

Check in Stark Hall from 3:00 – 5:00 pm ONLY

Hopeful ONLY Orientation and Review Session is 6:00 – 9:45 pm in the Rangerette Gym
(Wear black booty shorts and any color, supportive bra top, hair in regular ponytail)

June 13, 2024

Official Rangerette Welcome Tea is from 10:30 – 12:00 am in the McLaurin Administration Bldg.
(Wear a nice interview type dress and shoes)

Lunch – 12:00-1:00

Tryouts - 1:00 – 4:30

Dinner – 4:30 – 6:00

Talent Night – 6:00 – when finished

Talent Night Instructions – 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 triple pirouette section as well as dance transitions. We want to see you dance and not just perform tricks.

June 14, 2024

Tryouts continued

June 15, 2024

Sign Drops @ 10:00 am in Dodson Auditorium

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 and Scholarships

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 2025 semester to be eligible for officer tryouts for their sophomore year. Classes completed **after** the spring 2025 long semester (ends early May 2025) **ARE NOT** allowed in calculating GPA for officer candidate eligibility.

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.

Incoming Freshmen Timeline

If selected for the Rangerette line, **ALL** freshmen are required to move in to the Residence August 9-11. Team rehearsals begin on Monday, August 12, in preparation for Show-Offs, and continue through Friday, August 16. Showoffs are 7:30 pm, Saturday, August 17, in Dodson Auditorium. Team rehearsals continue August 19-23, with school starting on Monday, August 26.

There are NO exceptions to this timeline.