



2021 Virtual HTC Tryouts FAQs

HTC Eligibility Requirements:

Must be 18 years of age or older by June 5, 2021 (no exceptions); there is no maximum age

Must have a high school diploma or G.E.D (or will have by June 2021)

Must be a full-time parent, full-time or part-time student, have a full-time or part-time job, or had at least a part-time job prior to the COVID-19 pandemic (March 2020)

No height or weight requirements, but you must be in good physical condition

Timeline:

Monday, April 26: Virtual HTC Tryouts Application period opens

Thursday, June 3: Virtual HTC Tryouts Application period closes at 11:59PM CT

Saturday, June 5: Round 1 Choreography released

Tuesday, June 8: Round 1 Video submissions due by 11:59PM CT

Saturday, June 12: Round 2 Choreography released

Monday, June 14: Round 2 Video submissions due by 11:59PM CT

Saturday, June 26: In person Round 3

When are finalist practices?

Tuesday, July 6, to Thursday, July 8

When is the team announcement?

TBD

Please Note: there will be additional mandatory dates for team meetings if you make the team (no exceptions). More details will be available after Virtual HTC Tryouts.

Audition Attire:

Wear dance friendly shoes (tennis shoes recommended)

Female - Midriff top and dance shorts (no thongs)

Male - Joggers or leggings with tank top or fitted T-shirt preferred

Hair and makeup must be performance quality (no ponytails)

Required Items:

Completed 2021 Virtual HTC Tryout Application, including HTC Tryouts Agreement

One current photo, any size. Please see the [Headshot Instructions](#) for reference (multiple photos will not be accepted)

Resume that includes all of your athletic and business background

Video Requirements:

Video must contain **instructed choreography only** for the round you are auditioning for.

Video must be shot **horizontally**.

Video must show a **clear view of your full body (head to toe view)**.

Video may **not be edited or spliced and needs to be filmed in one take**.

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What Your Video Should Look Like:

Lights

- Make sure your video has enough light. We are unable to see your incredible moves in the dark!

Sound

- Decide the best way to play your music. If you will have music playing in the background, ensure the volume is turned up enough for the judges to hear when watching your video submission. Make sure your video is in-sync with the music.

Location

- We suggest filming your Tryout video in a spacious area that will allow a lot of movement. You do not want to be out of the shot of the camera at any time during filming.
- This is your moment! Use a private location free from distraction by eliminating any items or individuals from the general background that would take the main focus off of you.

Camera

- Ensure no blur! Make sure the device you are filming your video on will upload with hi-quality.
- Ensure your filming device is propped in a way that is most level with you. This can be achieved by placing it on a chair, bookshelf, etc. Do not place filming device on the floor! This will produce an upshot.

Practice

- We strongly recommend running a few dress rehearsals for yourself. Dress up in your chosen audition gear, hair and makeup ready and record as if you were trying out at the Houston Methodist Training Center.
- Filming your practice will give you a better understanding of appropriate light, spacing, music and on-camera appearance.

Action

- Before filming, check your makeup and/or attire to make sure you are HTC camera ready.
- Show your personality, add your own unique flare and smile. This is your time to shine!

How do I submit my videos to Dropbox?

You will receive the Dropbox submission link in the same email we send with Round 1 and Round 2 choreography. Please enter your full name and email address when uploading your video file to Dropbox. Please do not publish your Tryout video in a public forum (e.g., a public YouTube page, on your social media accounts, etc.).

Will my recording be used by the Houston Texans?

The Houston Texans will have the rights to the video and may use the video in any way we consider appropriate.

What will the judges be looking for?

Poise, Personality, Dance Ability, Attitude, Showmanship, Appearance, Work Ethic

Do current team members have to re-audition?

Yes, all members must go through the audition process each season and are not guaranteed a place on the team.

What can I do to prepare for virtual auditions?

Dance! Attend dance classes to practice your skills and sign up for our Virtual Prep Classes [here](#).

Work on stretching, kicks, turns and choreography.

You need to be able to pick up choreography fairly quickly and feel comfortable performing for the judges.

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