



## APPLICATION FORM

**CBBC is offering dancers aged 11-15 from across the UK a once in a lifetime opportunity; to try out for a coveted spot at *The Next Step* studios, and make a guest appearance in Series 4 of the hit programme!**

To apply, you'll need to complete this application form, and send us a video of you busting some of your best dance moves to our video uploader on the *Taking...The Next Step* 'Be On A Show' page.

If you're selected by our team here at CBBC, you'll be invited to attend Regional Auditions in front of expert judges from mid-August. After the Regionals, we'll select dancers to attend National Auditions which will take place in September. From Nationals, the judges will select a final 6 to travel to Canada and continue the selection process there, moving even closer to *The Next Step* dream!

At the end of the Auditions, one dancer will be offered a guest role on *The Next Step*.

The contest will take place from dates ranging from the middle of August to the beginning of November 2015. We will be filming the whole process for a special CBBC series to be transmitted in 2016.

### **IF YOU WANT TO APPLY, FIRST YOU NEED TO GET PERMISSION!**

- Make sure you have permission from your parent/guardian before sending us any personal details.
- All contact numbers that you give must be for a parent/guardian aged 18 years or over.
- You must be a UK resident (including residents of the Channel Islands and the Isle Of Man)
- You must not be a close relative of any BBC employee.
- You must be aged 11 years old or above on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2015 and no older than 15 years on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2015.

### **WHAT TO DO NEXT**

- Complete this application form and tell us about yourself.
- Get your parent/guardian to sign the consent form.
- You must include a recent photograph of yourself (sorry, but we cannot return this)
- As well as the application form, please prepare and film a dance routine of no more than 90 seconds. It must show off your preferred style of dance. If you choose to dance to music, make sure the track is suitable for the CBBC audience.
- Make sure you're not wearing clothing with large logos, or your school uniform.
- Make sure the video does not identify your location, school or home address.
- Submit your video audition using the video uploader tool.
- With your video audition you must include your full name, parent/guardian's name, parent/guardian's phone number and parent/guardian's email address.

Email your completed application form to: [nextstep@bbc.co.uk](mailto:nextstep@bbc.co.uk)

Or use the correct postage and send it to:

**Taking...The Next Step, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Bridge House, MediaCity UK, Salford, M50 2BH**

**Get your applications to us as soon as possible.** The application deadline for both video auditions and application forms is **noon on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2015. We cannot accept any applications after that, and we cannot accept any applications delivered by hand.**

Please note we MUST receive both your application form and your video audition for your application to be considered. Although we will consider every application, we won't be able to get back to everyone. Please don't be disappointed if you don't hear from us on this occasion.

## **PARENTAL CONSENT**

### **To the Parent or Guardian:**

For your child's application to be considered, your child needs to provide a completed application form, a signed parental consent form, a recent photo of them (which we are afraid cannot be returned) and video footage of them solo dancing to our video uploader on the website.

[www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/next-step-be-on-a-show](http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/next-step-be-on-a-show)

### **Guidelines for the video:**

- Must be a solo dance of no more than 90 seconds.
- If music is included, it must be suitable for a CBBC audience.
- No clothing with large logos or school uniform.
- Make sure the video does not identify your child's location, school or home address.
- Please be aware your child's audition video may be used as part of the finished programme.

If your child is selected for any part of the audition process, their inclusion may be dependent on us being able to obtain appropriate consents (e.g. local education authority, head teacher etc.)

For the application to be considered, your child must be aged between 11-15 years old. NB: They must be aged 11 years old or above on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2015 and no older than 15 years on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2015.

The closing date is **noon on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2015** so make sure you get your application to us by then.

If your child is selected to take part in the next stage of the audition process, you will be contacted by **31<sup>st</sup> August 2015.**

The information you and your child provide will only be used to assess whether they are suitable contributors to the show. Should the application be successful, the information provided may be used by the programme for health & safety purposes, but will not be used for any other purpose without your permission. Both you and your child's details will be held securely and will not be passed to any other third parties. All details will only be kept if needed for the duration of the programme and all unsuccessful applications will be destroyed once they have been processed. For further information, please see the BBC's privacy policy at [www.bbc.co.uk/privacy](http://www.bbc.co.uk/privacy)

If successful, we will call you and not your child, for selection through to the next stage. The BBC operates a Child Protection Policy and all our staff comply with it.

(The BBC's Child Protection Policy can be viewed at [www.bbc.co.uk/info/policies/child\\_protection.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/info/policies/child_protection.shtml))

**PARENT/GUARDIAN TO COMPLETE:**

**Please declare if you or your child is a close relative of a BBC employee.**

If yes please give details:

YES [ ] NO [ ]

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**Does your child have any medical condition that we should be aware of and/or require any special access arrangements for filming? We actively encourage applications from all children.**

YES [ ] NO [ ]

If yes please give details:

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**Has your child appeared in any television programmes before?**

YES [ ] NO [ ]

If yes please give details: (Please also advise if this is likely to change)

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**If your child makes it through to future stages of the contest the proposed filming dates are:**

**Regional Auditions:** in a variety of mainland UK locations between 17<sup>th</sup> August – 6<sup>th</sup> September 2015  
(Provisional dates: **Newcastle** – 21<sup>st</sup> August, **Cardiff** – 25<sup>th</sup> August, **Glasgow** – 29<sup>th</sup> August, **Manchester** – 31<sup>st</sup> August, **London** – 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> September)

**National Auditions:** Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2015

**Call Backs:** Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2015

**Canada Auditions:** 21<sup>st</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> October 2015 (subject to school and local education authority approval)

**(PLEASE NOTE: ALL DATES AND LOCATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE)**

**Do you have any holiday plans or other commitments during the proposed dates?**

YES [ ] NO [ ]

If yes please give dates:

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If your child is successful through to the final stages of the process, they will be expected to travel to Canada with a parent/guardian to complete the audition phase. Can you confirm that BOTH legal guardians of the child are happy with this to be the case?

YES [ ] NO [ ]

If no, please give details

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Do you and your child hold a valid UK passport?

YES [ ] NO [ ]

If not, would you be prepared to acquire passports by October 2015?

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**Please note: by consenting to this application we understand that you have accepted the terms and conditions, as available on the website: [bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/next-step-be-on-a-show](http://bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/next-step-be-on-a-show)**

**I confirm that I have given consent for this application to be considered and I am happy for my child to take part if selected. I understand that my child's audition video may be included within the televised programme.**

I am the child's parent / guardian (delete as appropriate)

NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN (print): .....

SIGNED: ..... DATE: .....

ADDRESS: .....

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TELEPHONE: ..... MOBILE: .....

EMAIL: .....

**CHILD TO COMPLETE:**

**DESCRIBE YOUR VIDEO AUDITION (e.g. what you were wearing, the piece of music you were dancing to, the style etc)**

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Name	
Date of Birth and Current Age	
Address	
Name of School and Head Teacher (as of September 2015)	
How long have you been dancing?	
How often do you dance now?	
What is your dancing style or specialism? (Ballet, hip-hop, jazz etc)	

<p>Have you got any dancing qualifications or awards? If yes, please tell us about them</p>	
<p>What do you love most about dancing?</p>	
<p>Tell us about your best dancing experience</p>	
<p>Have you ever been on TV before?</p>	
<p>Tell us about yourself and why you think you deserve a part on The Next Step</p>	