



INDIAFEST 2026



Performance Rules & Guidelines

Event Date: September 26, 2026

Time: 11:30 AM – 8:00 PM

Venue: Saint Mark's High School, Wilmington, Delaware

Welcome to **Indiafest 2026!** We are excited to showcase the rich diversity of Indian culture through music and dance. To ensure a safe, organized, and high-quality event experience for performers and attendees, please review and follow the guidelines below.

Registration & Eligibility

Performance Quality: All groups are welcome to participate, provided their choreography, presentation, and execution meets the quality standards of Indiafest.

Choreographer Limit: Each choreographer may register a maximum of **12 dance performances**.

Performer Age Requirement: All performers must be **4 years of age or older**.

Compensation: Participation is voluntary. **No remuneration or financial compensation** will be provided for performances.

- **Registration Deadline:** All dance registration forms must be submitted by: **July 31, 2026**
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Group & Performer Requirements

Minimum Group Size: Each dance performance must include **at least 4 performers**.

Solo, duet, and trio performances are not permitted.

One Performance Per Participant: To avoid scheduling conflicts and ensure smooth event coordination, each performer can participate in **only one group dance**.

Performance Timing & Logistics

Performance Length:

- Standard performances must be **under 6 minutes**.
- Please ensure your music is edited accordingly before submission.

Large Group Exception: Groups with **more than 10 performers** may request additional performance time. If your group qualifies, please notify the Cultural Team as early as possible for approval.

Backstage Check-In: All performers must report to the backstage area **2 hours before** their scheduled performance time. Late arrival may result in forfeiture of the performance slot.

Stage Safety & Props

Fire Safety Regulations:

The following items are strictly prohibited on stage:
Open lamps (diyas), Candles, Sparklers, Any open flame.
Battery-operated lamps and LED alternatives are permitted.

Prohibited Materials:

To maintain a clean and safe stage environment, the following are not allowed:
Confetti, Colored powders, Glitter powders, Any loose materials that may create hazards.

Jewelry Safety:

For the safety of performers and stage crew:
Avoid wearing glass bangles.
We recommend using metal, plastic, or other non-breakable alternatives.

Music Submission

Audio Submission Deadline:

Final performance music must be submitted in **MP3 format** by: **September 11, 2026**
Only finalized versions will be accepted.

Performance Day Backup:

Choreographers or group captains must bring a backup copy of their music on the event day.
Recommended formats:

- USB flash drive
- Mobile device with downloadable audio file

Stay Connected

WhatsApp Performers Group: For performer updates and event-day coordination use:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/FVbyOLjgmnPcY2VfIVfmsfla>

IAAD Cultural Fest Facebook Group: For announcements and community updates:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/indiafestculturalgroup>

Contact Us: For questions or additional information: **iaadculturalteam@gmail.com**

Thank You!

Thank you for being a part of **Indiafest 2026**. Your cooperation helps us create a memorable, safe, and culturally enriching experience for everyone. We look forward to celebrating with you!