

Dance Syllabus 2018-2019

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Meeting Time and Place:

Mondays (ALL DAY): Room 122

Tuesdays and Thursdays (ODD DAYS): School Cafeteria

Course Description:

This course is open to students who are interested in dance, movement, expression, nonverbal communication, and choreography. In this course, students will become aware of the expressive capabilities of the physical body. Elements of dance and expression will be explored through a variety of dance genres (i.e. ballet, jazz, modern, hip hop). Introductory elements of dance choreography will also be included.

Dance Program Goals:

The student will demonstrate:

- the ability to recognize and perform different genres of dance
- an understanding of dance history and fundamental vocabulary
- the ability to articulate concepts and stories through group choreography

Dress Code

Girls: Plain form fitting shirt and plain black leggings

Boys: Plain form fitting shirt and plain black shorts or pants

Dress Code Expectation:

- All dancers are required to have their hair pulled back off of their face and neck. Shirts must be long enough so it does not show the student's stomach.
- Students are required to change into their dance uniform for each block period (Tuesdays and Thursdays). Students will be allowed 4 minutes to change at the beginning of each class period.
- On Mondays, we will meet in the classroom (Room 122) to review vocabulary, dance concepts, history, etc. There is NO need to change into uniform on Mondays.

Grading Policy:

Students will be graded on:

- Class work/Participation
- Projects
- Tests/ Quizzes
- Homework
- Misc.

Video/Photography Policy:

At times, it is helpful for students to view themselves dancing in order to analyze their own movement and to make changes as needed. If/when students are photographed or videotaped, it is strictly for educational and archival purposes. If you would not like for your son/daughter to be on camera, please make note of that on the signature page at the end of this syllabus.

Class Expectations:

1. Students are expected to be dressed and ready for class on time. "Ready" means that the student has on proper attire and hair is pulled back out of his/her face.
2. Talking in class is not permitted unless otherwise specified by the teacher. Please use appropriate language at all times.
3. The teacher will dismiss the students. Do not leave class without permission for any reason, including to get a drink of water.
4. Copied or shared work of any sort will not be accepted for a grade.

Signature page

I have read the Dance syllabus and understand the information presented about this course. My signature documents an agreement to adhere to these policies.

Student (please print)

Parent (please print)

Date

Student Signature

Parent Signature

Date

I **DO** give permission for my daughter/son to be photographed or video recorded for educational and archival purposes.

I **DO NOT** give permission for my daughter/son to be photographed or video recorded for educational and archival purposes.

Student (please print)

Parent (please print)

Date

Student Signature

Parent Signature

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