

**DANCE DEPARTMENT SYLLABUS**  
Firmly Planted Homeschool Resource Center  
2023-2024

**Dance Department Contact Information**

Please send all of your messages on Slack. These are listed for emergency only.

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**\*\*\*NEW PARENTS\*\*\*PLEASE ATTEND THE MANDATORY PARENT MEETING ON MONDAY  
October 2nd AT 7PM IN THE AUDITORIUM AT THE CENTER\*\*\***

**Class Materials**

ATTIRE:

Dancers are required to pull their hair back and to wear dance attire during class. All clothing should be modest and cover midriff.

Ballet - Leotard, tights, skirt and ballet shoes.

Tap - Sweatpants/ leggings, loose shirt or leotard and tap shoes.

Lyrical - Leotard or t-shirt, tights or leggings and ballet or lyrical shoes.

Jazz - Sweatpants/ leggings, loose shirt or leotard and Jazz shoes.

Hip Hop - Sweatpants/ leggings, loose shirt and Jazz or CLEAN tennis shoes.

We are able to size your student and order dance clothing and shoes for a good price once each semester. Students may buy dance clothes or shoes from any source, and here are some other suggestions:

The Competitive Edge                      [www.discountdance.com](http://www.discountdance.com)  
5501 NE 109th Ct Suite G  
Vancouver, WA 98662                      [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com)

The Leotard  
2432 NE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd  
Portland, OR 97212

Goodwill, Salvation Army, or Once Upon a Child may also be options.

### **Participation in Class**

Students are expected to participate fully in class and to come prepared to begin class at its start time. Students should be dressed for class, having used the bathroom if necessary, or gotten a drink of water **before** class begins. This will allow for students to receive instruction for the full class time. Parents are encouraged to volunteer at the center or visit in the coffee shop or family lounge during class. This will make it easier for students to not be distracted and help them to focus on their class. If your student is sick or injured please send a message on Slack to his or her teacher prior to class. If the injury was severe enough, then a doctor's note is needed to allow them to return to class. Our Groupzu website now has new information available to you! Within each class you can find files, your child's attendance and any videos that were taken in class.

### **Class Payment**

Payment for class teacher fees is due either by the date listed on the website or on the first day of class unless other arrangements have been made with the teacher. Please check the Slack channel for your student's class for their specific information on payment details. Students will not be allowed to attend classes without payment. Please communicate directly with the teacher about this and do not include the student.

### **Student Progress and Certificate of Completion**

- Our students will get to display their first semester's progress at the Winter Showcase. This will be a great opportunity to see what all of the classes are doing, as well as to communicate with your student's teacher.
- Our end of the year Ballet class evaluations will be held during classes the week of April 29th - May 2nd. Students will show their barre and center exercises in order for our dance staff to give recommendations for remaining in or advancing to the next level.
- A certificate of completion will be given during the last class of Spring Semester. Teachers may also celebrate with a small treat.

### **Dance Shows / Costumes**

Each year the dance department hosts two dance shows in which students will have the opportunity to participate. The first will be our Winter Showcase held on Friday, January 19th. This is an informal evening where each class dances on stage and their teacher will share with parents what the class has been working on during the fall semester. Classes will be divided into two, 1 hour "shows" and students will be able to leave, if desired, after their dance has been



### Signature page

I have read the dance department syllabus and understand the information presented about my student being enrolled in class. I agree to this department's policies as well as understand my student is expected to participate in both dance shows and dress rehearsals in order to receive their certificate of completion at the end of the year.

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Student Signature                      Parent Signature                      Date

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Language spoken in home: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent email: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate best way to contact parent: \_\_\_\_\_

Health concerns/issues about students: \_\_\_\_\_

### How to Help

Each family is required to have one parent volunteer to help with the Spring Dance Show. Last year's Spring and Christmas Shows were a huge success thanks to all of our volunteers! Parents will be contacted by the volunteer coordinator. Please name your parent volunteer below. Interested in being this year's coordinator for either or both of the shows? Please contact the dance department head.

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Parent Name                      Phone Number                      Email

**\*Please print and return this page to one of your student's teachers.**