

Dance
Mrs. Moldovan
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Course Description:

This course encompasses a variety of basic dance education in the disciplines of ballet, jazz, lyrical, contemporary, and hip hop. Students will be introduced to dance terminology, influential dance figures, and elements of choreography and performance. Students will execute basic dance movements, incorporate them into choreography, and have to opportunity to gain performance experience.

Attire/Supplies:

- Sweat pants, yoga pants, jazz pants, t-shirt, athletic attire. No dance shorts or crop tops.
- Bare feet or socks. May wear dance shoes if you have them.

Class Procedures/Expectations/Responsibilities:

- Students have 5 minutes after the tardy bell to get dressed in dance attire.
- After dressing, promptly enter gym (or other class location) and begin jogging laps around the gym. Student must be in the gym (or other class location) 5 minutes after the tardy bell rings, or student will be penalized with a tardy.
- Students will participate in all class activities including warm up, stretch, and all dance styles.
- Students will put forth their best efforts in dance class by having an open mind, and by being accepting of material out of their comfort zone to broaden their appreciation of the dance art.
- The word "can't" is not permitted! It's not that you *can't*, it's that you haven't *yet*."
- Students are to be respectful to others, themselves, and the teacher at all times.
- Students will be released to the locker room to change back into school clothes 5-7 minutes before the class is over.
- No hanging out in the locker room. After getting dressed back into school clothes, students will wait in the locker room hallway for the release bell to ring.
- No gum or dangly jewelry are permitted for your safety.
- Cells phones are to **remain unseen** in the locker room to protect everyone's privacy.
- If a student is unable to participate due to illness or injury, a parent and/or doctor's note will be needed including the following details...
 - The reason the student may not participate
 - How long the student is expected to rest
 - Certain restrictions recommended/required of the student
- We will use cell phones and/or iPads and tablets in class quite a bit, however, they are to remain in your backpack unless the teacher instructs you to get them out.

Point Deductions:

- Student is required to dress out EVERY DAY for dance unless instructed not to by the teacher, or by parent note.
- If a student does not bring dance attire, they may not participate for the day and will have an alternative assignment which will be graded and worked into their weekly preparedness grade.
- Every week, students will be given a grade based on their preparedness for class. Every week, students start off with a grade of 100%. Every day a student forgets to bring clothes for dance class, 15 points will be deducted from their weekly grade.
 - Weekly Grade based on the number of times clothes are forgotten:
 - 1 Time: 85
 - 2 Times: 70
 - 3 Times: 55
 - 4 Times: 40

Tardy Policy:

- A tardy will be given 5 minutes after the tardy bell (allowing time to change once the tardy bell rings).

Grading Policy:

- The school year is divided into 9-week quarters.
 - August 25th – October 16th : Quarter 1 (semester 1)
 - October 19th – December 18th : Quarter 2 (semester 1)
 - January 5th – March 25th : Quarter 3 (semester 2)
 - March 28th – June 3rd : Quarter 4 (semester 2)
- 40% Daily Grades and/or Quizzes:
- 60% Tests

RMS Dance Agreement

(Print, fill out, and bring to Mrs. Moldovan by Friday, Aug. 26th)

I _____, have read the attached syllabus and understand the rules, expectations and procedures of this course. I agree to uphold these rules, expectations and procedures to the best of my ability.

Student Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____