



Hamilton Dance Syllabus

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Tutoring Times: Thursday and Friday Conference Period, see me for a pass

Course Description

The following areas will be our focus: technique, choreography, performance, physical conditioning, and history. Class activities include daily participation, written assignments, and performances. Proper dance attire and footwear will be required.

Course Objectives

- To know, apply and perform concepts and principles of dance technique and performance, and to apply studio and stage protocol
- To develop basic concepts of musicality, phrasing and musical interpretation
- To demonstrate creative thinking in improvisation and composition
- To impart the history and progression of dance
- To attend and critique live and pre-recorded dance performances
- To reflect and evaluate personal and artistic growth

Course and Dance Studio Rules

- Come to class prepared and ready to participate to the best of your ability.
- Work to your potential and dance full out 100% of the time.
- Treat each other respectfully, keeping negative comments to themselves.
- No profane language.
- No food or drinks allowed. NO GUM, EVER!
- Keep the studio and dressing rooms free of debris.
- No cell phones allowed!
- Follow all school rules.
- Permission must be granted to use the restrooms, one at a time only.
- When music is off, be silent and wait for further instructions.

Grading

Your grade is based on in-class participation, performances, assessments, written material and a final exam. 100-90 A, 89-80 B, 79-70 C, 69-60 D, 60 -0 F

Participation (10 pts. Daily)

Comes to class prepared: appropriate clothing, footwear, hair, jewelry, and no gum (missing any elements, point deduction: 5)

- Full class participation (point deduction: 1-10)
- Present for class, (even excused absences, point deduction: 10)

Final grade is assessed using the 40/40/20 model. Grades are accessed through your home computer with the schools grading program Infinite Campus.

Make Up Work

If you have an excused absent you can make up your participation points with a written assignment, please see me with specifications or you can find it on Hamilton's web site: <http://www.cusd80.com/Page/14334>. It is your responsibility to get make-up assignments and to turn them in on time.

Late Work

Late work is accepted with the penalty of the loss of one letter grade for each day it is late, unless prior approval has been made with the instructor.

Absences, Tardies and Excused Class Participation

- A.R.S. §15-803 (B) states that absences may be considered excessive when the number of absent days exceeds ten percent of the number of required attendance days prescribed in A.R.S. §15-802. Ten percent equates to nine (9) days of absences per semester regardless of whether they are excused or unexcused. Students with excessive excused absences will be required to provide medical documentation to remain in class and excuse any further absences. If additional absences occur, and medical documentation is not provided, the student will be referred to administration.
- A tardy is incurred if you are not in the dance studio ready to participate five minutes after the late bell has rung, or you come into the dance studio after the late bell has rung. (deduction of 1 or 2 points)
- Sitting out is allowed through a parent's note (2 for the semester only).
- Excused non-participation that is longer than two days must have a doctor or trainers note.
- Students must participate even if they are not dressed out.

Concerts and Costumes

- Concerts are required for this course and students are responsible for learning all material, being at all rehearsals, maintaining professional conduct, and the concerts themselves. You will be graded accordingly.
 - All Classes May 6-10th 2019 230pm-6pm Rehearsals on Monday and Tuesday, Call time 6pm for the shows on Wednesday-Friday.
 - HDC/HJC/ADV/Intermediate ONLY Nov. 26-30th 2018 Dress Rehearsal 230-6pm, Show Nov. 28-30, call time 6pm.
 - HDC/HJC Charity Concert TBA.
- All students are responsible for acquiring the costumes needed to perform in each dance number. Costumes that are provided to students by Hamilton High School must be returned in the manner it was received, or student and parent will be

responsible for the replacement/repair cost of the item on loan. Parent, student, and administrator will receive notification of missing or damaged costume and the replacement/repair cost of the item/items. Costumes that are not provided by the department will be budget conscious at all times.

Tactile Teaching

Because of the nature of a dance class this tool will be utilized for demonstration and correction purposes to insure proper technique. If you are uncomfortable with this, please let me know and we will make other accommodations.

Dance Fee

All dancers will be required to pay a \$15 participation fee. This fee includes a dance shirt to be worn during class. Please hold onto your receipt to receive your shirt.

Dress Code

Modest dress is required of everyone; if I ask you not to wear something do not wear it!

- Attire can consist of fitted t-shirt, dance pants/leggings, and or dance shorts. Please note that if you choose to wear dancer shorts you **must** wear tights or spankies underneath. Proper support (sports bra, dance belt) is required. **No tank tops allowed, unless it is a Hamilton Dance Tank.**
- There are four colors allowed and they are: maroon, black, white, gray.
- Dance shoes are recommended and must be appropriate for style of dance to be learned. Please note that the dance floor is very slippery so be cautious with socks. Tennis shoe's are not dance shoes and are not allowed unless doing hip-hop.
- Small earrings are acceptable but all other jewelry is not allowed. Hair must be neat and out of your face at all times. Abdomen and chest must be covered at all times.
- Intermediate, Advanced, HJC are allowed to wear colors outside of school colors on Block Days only.

Discipline

- I will give you **one** verbal comment about dress code and gum chewing, and mark your grade down thereafter without comment.
- Students who fail to adhere to dressing code for class will be subject to discipline up to possible removal from the class.

Hygiene

Students should be aware that they will be perspiring during class and should take the appropriate measures to ensure everyone's comfort.

Personal Property

Please be advised that if you choose to leave your belongings in the dressing rooms you are assuming the risk of loss or theft. Hamilton High School, Chandler Unified School District, and Mr. D. are not liable for property that has been lost or stolen.

Off Limit Areas

- Students are not allowed to use the stereo equipment without the express permission of the instructor.

- Students are not allowed in the dance office unless the instructor is present or permission has been given.
- The school phone is not for student use; do not ask to use the phone.

Cell Phones

Cell Phones should only be used when there is a dance project that calls for them. Students may not charge their phones during class time, or have their phones out during class time.

Diversity

All individuals have a right to an educational environment free from bias, prejudice and bigotry. As members of the Hamilton High School educational community, students are expected to refrain from participating in acts of harassment that are designed to demean another student's race, gender, ethnicity, religious preference, disability or sexual orientation.

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I have read and accept the policies and expectation within the dance syllabus found at <https://www.cusd80.com/Page/58968>, and I understand that it is my responsibility to come to the instructor about questions or concerns I have about the syllabus or class.

Print Student Name

Student Signature

Class Period

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Print Guardian Name

Relationship to Student

Guardian Signature

Guardian Email Address

Best Contact Number

Comments/Questions/Concerns:
