



CLIFTON HIGH SCHOOL

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS ACADEMY

DANCE CONCENTRATION

Description and General Information

The dance concentration within the Visual and Performing Arts Academy is designed to provide talented male and female students the essential knowledge and skills necessary to pursue an exciting and successful career in the field of dance. The curriculum will encompass classes providing a strong foundation in ballet, modern and jazz. A variety of disciplines will be studied and performed throughout the student's four years, such as tap, ballet, modern, jazz, and ethnic dance forms. To further enhance the dancer's understanding of their art, instruction will be provided in dance history, theory, critique, and related areas of interest.

The dance concentration is designed for performers who are dedicated to improving their craft through a balanced approach to instruction in performance, choreography, and critique. Students will be afforded the opportunity to participate in field trips, master classes with guest artists, and a variety of workshops. Performances are an integral part of the program and will provide the student with an outlet for showcasing the development of their talents and abilities. Upon completion of the dance program, participants will find that they are well-prepared for continued growth and involvement at the collegiate and professional levels. Possible careers related to this sequence are Dancer, Choreographer, Dance Instructor, Studio Owner, and Dance Company Director. Students will be placed with a mentor/adviser to monitor and guide their progress through the Fine and Performing Arts Academy.

Course Schedule

9 th Grade	10 th Grade	11 th Grade	12 th Grade
English I	English II	English III	English IV
World History	US History I	US History II	Musical Theater
Physical Education	Physical Education	Physical Education	Physical Education
World Language I	World Language II	Personal Finance	Practical Art elective
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II	Pre-Calculus
Biology	Chemistry	Physics	Elective
Dance I	Dance II	Dance III	Dance IV

Associated extra-curricular clubs

Dance
Musical Theater

Application

Applicants must have all prepared documents and application submitted by the application deadline in order to be considered for acceptance into the program for the following school year.
