MPVA DANCE ELECTIVE DANCE YOUR DANCE 2024-2025

- **Overview:** In this course, you will learn basic dance technique, in multiple styles, in an effort to create a strong sense of empowerment, self-awareness, and personal growth.
- Dress/Attire: All Dance Elective students must wear black leggings/bottoms (no shorts or PE style clothing), gray or black crewneck tee/top, and solid black cotton crew (not ankle) length socks. Attire CAN NOT have any logos, words, or prints or be worn inside-out. You CAN NOT wear what you wore to school, and dance attire must always be clean and neat. Proper hygiene is a must, and body sprays/perfumes should never be sprayed in the studio or dressing rooms. Hair must be pulled back away from face and shoulders, no distracting and dangerous hair accessories (excessively long extensions/braids or beading that may fall out during instruction or strike others) no jewelry, and no fake/acrylic nails or distracting nail art. If you are not dressed as directed for dance class you CAN NOT participate, parent and dean will be contacted immediately, and your grade and/or conduct will thus be affected.
- **Dance Journal/Folder:** All students will use a Dance Journal (composition notebook) and online resources to write down corrections and notes on choreography, as well as some reflective writings.
- **Practice:** Students are required to practice and perfect all learned warm-ups and movement sequences on a regular and consistent basis and at home.
- **Grades:** Based on daily performance/classwork, dressing out properly, effort, progression, and major assignments and projects.
- **Conduct:** Be READY, on time, prepared, focused and behave in a respectful manner to your peers, teacher, and all adults. Parents are contacted immediately for any variation from appropriate conduct. Gum, candy, or food are **NEVER** allowed in the Dance Studio or changing room-always water bottles for hydration! Per the school policy, phones are **NEVER** visible or utilized! If your phone is **EVER** out it **WILL** be confiscated AND your parent will be contacted, immediately!
- **Performances:** We will showcase learned choreography in the Spring Dance Concert in March, and an in-studio showcase at the end of the year.
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