

Hello SOA dance parents and students,

It is that time of year where we have started planning for the 2026-2027 school year. As per our expectations for our students **ALL** students are required to participate in dance department calendar rehearsals and performances. Please see the list of events below. Students are **NOT** excused from their class rehearsals and performances because of conflicts with work schedules or out of school activities. Tech is performed during the school day unless notified by a teacher.

No Accommodations will be made. Fill out the form no later than: May 15th, 2026

Mandatory Dance Activities for the 2026-2027 school year

Middle school Dancers	High school dancers
<p><u>Nov 18 & 19th</u>- Winter showcase (all students) 8th tech, show 9th at 6:30pm</p> <p><u>March 23rd & 24th</u>: 8th grade solos (8th grade & Freshman) 243rd tech, 24th show 6:15 pm</p> <p><u>April 28-May 1st- Departmental</u> April 28-29 Tech, during school April 30- tech and school show May 1st 3:30 show call time 10 am.</p> <p><i>6th, 8th Grade Required viewing: Jr Comp or Senior Thesis show (April 22 or April 27)</i></p> <p><i>7th Required viewing: 8th grade solos (March 25)</i></p>	<p><u>Oct 28th</u> Thesis Adjudication 4pm (Seniors & Juniors)</p> <p><u>Nov 18 & 19th</u>- Winter showcase (all students) 18th tech, show 19th at 6:30 pm</p> <p><u>Dec 7th & 8th</u> Junior Comp (Juniors, Sophomores) 7th tech, 8th show at 6:15 pm</p> <p><u>Dec 9th & 10th</u>- Senior Thesis (Seniors & Juniors) 9th tech, 10th show at 6:15pm</p> <p><u>March 22nd</u> - Spring Thesis Adjudication 4pm (Seniors & Juniors)</p> <p><u>March 23rd & 24th</u>: 8th grade solos (8th grade & Freshman) 23rd tech, 24th show 6:15 pm</p> <p><u>April 21st & 22nd</u>: Junior Comp (Juniors & Sophomores) 21st tech, 22nd show 6:315 pm</p> <p><u>April 23rd & 27th</u> Senior Thesis (Seniors & Juniors) 23rd tech, 27th show and reception 6:15 pm</p> <p><u>April 28-May 1st- Departmental</u> April 28-29 Tech, during school April 30- tech and school show May 1st 3:30 show call time 10 am.</p> <p><i>9th grade Required viewing in Spring Semester : Junior Composition or Senior Thesis (none in fall semester)</i></p> <p>(TBA) One after school rehearsal for each guest residency to set a piece. Normally this is on the Thursday of the week of the residency**</p>

Other Dance/performance events: (not mandatory but encouraged) for both HS and MS students

Sept 30-Oct 4th 2025: HS TRIP- Disney Imagination dance workshop field trip (open to 12th grade 1st, then 11th and 10th, 9th) (est cost: \$1,500)

March 6-10th 2027 National High school dance festival for high school students, Pittsburgh PA **many classes to take plus scholarship and networking opportunities with professionals and college/university dance programs (estimated cost \$1,200)

State Dance Performance Assessment: TBA (Mid March) 8th and 12th grade dancers

April 6th 2027: Student Choreography Showcase : Open to 7th -12th grade students to participate in.

TBA- Middle school Trips- Team building & master classes, Trips to Gillard center for dance shows

Dance convocations: Students perform for their peers during the school day - once in the fall semester and once in the spring semester. Dates subject to change- Oct 9th, Dec 11th, Feb 12th, March 12th

Please detach the bottom section and return to your teacher no later than May 15th. ** this is a HW grade- end of year tickets will NOT be signed unless this form is turned in **

or High School dancers submit through this link: <https://forms.gle/VGGuxNF1ZgCqSnnv9>

2026-2027 Mandatory date Acknowledgment form contract

Student name _____ 2026-2027 grade _____

We acknowledge that the dates above are mandatory and not attending these requirements will affect my child's grade.

We acknowledge that guest choreographer rehearsal dates are to be announced (once guest contracts are submitted) and my dancer will be at the mandatory after school rehearsal.

Parent name(printed) _____

Parent signature _____

Contact information:

Phone number _____

Email _____