

DANCE II CURRICULUM

* TEKS

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* **1st 6 weeks – HIP HOP / AEROBIC FITNESS**

- Written Work – Muscles & Bones Packet and Written Test
- Hip Hop / Aerobic Warm-up
- Proper stretching
- Toning
- Hip Hop Skills Test
 - Teach 6 8-count combo
 - Choreography – students make-up 1 8-count in groups
 - Each group teaches their combo to the other groups
 - Put it all together
- Stretch & Tone Skills Test – as an exercise is being performed the students write down which muscle is being stretched or toned

* **2nd 6 weeks – JAZZ**

- Written Work – Jazz dancer / choreographer research & presentations
- Jazz technique skills test – pirouette, grand jeté, battement combo, passé hop, etc...
- Jazz choreography skills test
 - Teach short jazz phrase
 - Students choreograph in small groups 4 8-counts: required to use levels, ripples or pick-up, and ending position

* **3rd 6 weeks – BALLET / LYRICAL**

- Written Work – Ballet Packet – Vocabulary, Alignment, History, Positions of arms and feet
- Ballet Barre Skills Test – Students learn a basic barre (plié, tendu 1st, tendu 5th, degage 1st, degage 5th, rond de jambe, stretch, grand battement)
- Lyrical Choreograph Skills Test
 - Students pick a lyrical piece of music
 - Students find 12 pictures of dance positions from magazines (2 are group poses for the beginning and end)
 - Student chart the music and write the lyrics
 - Students choreograph 8 8-counts using the pictures for body movements and the lyrics of the song to interpret the music

* **4th 6 weeks – SPRING FLING**

- Students are preparing for the mandatory curriculum based performance – 2 skills test grades
- Written Test - Students critique the performances

- * **5th 6 weeks – CULTURAL DANCE & CREATIVE MOVEMENT**
 - Guest Teacher
 - Cultural Video – latin dancing, Folklorico, World Forms
 - Cultural Dance Project
 - Skills Test – Folk Dance Choreography
 - Written Test - Presentations
 - **Creative Movement / Improve – Beginning stages of Modern**
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- * **6th 6 weeks – MODERN & CHOREOGRAPHY**
 - Written Test - History of Modern Dance & Modern Vocabulary
 - Video of Modern Dance
 - Skills Test – Modern Choreography Manipulation
 - Choreography Project
 - Final Exam Grade – written and performance
 - Spot checks – skills test grades