



Dance Academy - Application



Dance Academy aims to challenge and extend dancers in Years 7 – 12 by training and competing both locally and interstate in a range of genres. Students who are selected into the program become part of a master troupe which is organized into smaller troupes based on individual student strengths. Troupes fall into Junior (7-9) and Senior (10-12), however junior students can also be selected to dance as part of a senior troupe.

Training occurs on scheduled days before, during and after school or on weekends as required. Competitions and performances can fall on school days, on weekends or on holidays and are located in the Redlands, South Brisbane and the Gold Coast. Students in senior troupes also have the opportunity to travel interstate to compete in national competitions. Dance Academy students also participate in a range of non-competitive events throughout the year as well as enrichment programs such as dance intensives and working with guest choreographers. Support is provided from studios including Lucid Moves, The Hood Dance Academy, The House of Sole, Theatre and Dance, Phluxus2 Dance Collective and Dance Masala.

Although the overarching goal is to compete at various professional competitions and eisteddfods, the benefits of Dance Academy membership encompass a much greater scope. As each troupe is genre-specific, students learn new techniques and reinforce existing skills under the watchful eye of their peer mentors and teachers. Weekly rehearsals employ dedicated instruction that boosts confidence, reinforces discipline and focus, plus builds teamwork within a highly supportive and creative environment. Senior students are invited to choreograph in collaboration with the teachers, providing valuable knowledge and experience that enhances their own classroom learning.

Entry Requirements

Students applying for a Dance Academy placement must demonstrate dance ability or potential and must satisfy high standards in behaviour, attendance and academic participation. To join the Dance Academy program, students must complete and submit the attached forms and attend an audition. After the application form is submitted, the Dance Academy coordinator will provide details of audition times.

Dance Academy / Troupe has an annual program fee of \$120 for specialist training clinics, choreographer fees and competition costs. These fees are subject to change.

In addition, students must purchase the team uniform which is required for required for training and events. Students must also purchase costumes as required.



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Name of Applicant:		Date of Birth:	
Current School:		Current Year Level:	
Parent Name:			
Address:			
Contact Number:		Parent email:	

Dance Training Background *		
Date	Place of training	Genre(s) of dance

* Prior dance lessons or training is not mandatory. Although training is preferred, any student is welcome to apply regardless of their dance background. Students simply need to display an aptitude for dance and a strong work ethic.

Selection Criteria

Dance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical capability with basic skills • Standard of performance in dance
School Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Behaviour and Effort / Industry (minimum satisfactory standard required) on most recent report card (please include copies with your application). OneSchool behaviour history (for State School students) will also be considered • Attendance data for the previous year (>90%)
Personal Qualities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to work with others • Ability to learn and take direction



Dance Academy – STUDENT CONTRACT

To participate in Dance Academy, students are expected represent the school with pride, uphold high standards and actively contribute to the school across a number of areas.

Dance Academy enrolment is reviewed every 6 months. To maintain a position in the program, students must:

- Demonstrate behaviours that represent being a ‘Safe, Respectful Learner’
- On report cards, achieve a ‘C’ or higher for both Effort and Behaviour in all subjects
- Participate fully in all classes and complete classroom work to the best of my ability
- Complete all assessment tasks to the best of my ability, including drafts, and submit them on time
- Behave in a way that does not tarnish the reputation of Alexandra Hills SHS, at school or in the community
- Wear my school uniform in the appropriate manner, and adhere to the dress code for haircuts and jewellery
- Follow teachers’ instructions – first time, every time
- Respect other students’ right to learn and my teachers’ right to teach
- Be polite to all members of the school and wider community, always using appropriate language
- Have 90%+ school attendance, with the school notified by a parent / carer for all absences
- Be punctual to every class and bring all required equipment each lesson
- Achieve 90%+ training attendance, including before or after school and on weekends, demonstrating a strong work ethic and positive attitude – only 2 unexplained absences will be permitted before membership is reviewed
- Attend the last 2 rehearsals prior to any event knowing these are compulsory
- Email the Dance Academy coordinator directly if I cannot attend a rehearsal
- Bring all required dance gear to training sessions (water bottle, appropriate dancewear etc)
- Wear full and correct troupe uniform to and from each event
- Pay the annual Dance Academy program fee by Week 4 of Term 1 (or have started a Payment Plan)

Consequences for non-compliance:

- You may be withdrawn from training or events for a period of time
- You may be removed from the Dance Academy program
- You may be issued other consequences, in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct
- Suspension can be grounds for immediate removal from Dance Academy

Agreement: I / We agree to the student contract for students in Dance Academy

	Name	Signature	Date
Student			
Parent / Guardian			

For students new to AHSHS:

Submit this Dance Academy application, plus an Enrolment Application Booklet, at a Deputy Principal enrolment presentation (Year 7) or Deputy Principal enrolment interview (Years 8 -12).

For current students of AHSHS:

Complete this application and submit it at Administration reception between 8am – 4pm on school days.