

Dear Illinois Dance Educators,

The Illinois High School Dance Festival Steering Committee and our host, Buffalo Grove High School in Buffalo Grove, Illinois cordially invite you and your dance students to participate in the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Illinois High School Dance Festival. The festival will be held on May 19, 2012 with the cooperation of the Illinois Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance. The Illinois State Board of Education and the Illinois Alliance for Arts in Education also endorse the festival.

Dancers participating in the Festival will have the opportunity to take 4 master dance classes, attend a professional dance company mini concert by a professionally Chicago-based dance company and attend the Student Choreography Showcase Gala Performance which features the choreography of our state's most talented high school choreographers. Auditions for the choreography showcase will be held on Saturday, February 18th, 2012 at Buffalo Grove High School. If you are interested in having your dance group audition for this year's Showcase please contact Michelle Carrison at [michelle.carris@d214.org](mailto:michelle.carris@d214.org).

It is important that you register your students early to get the classes they want as class registration is on a first come, first serve basis. Students cannot attend the Festival without supervision from their sponsor. When completing the Festival Registration Forms be sure to:

- 1) Fill out all forms: School Registration Form and individual Student Registration Forms for each dancer.
- 2) Make sure all necessary original signatures are obtained,
- 3) Be sure to order your Festival T-shirts on the school registration form.
- 4) Mail the School Registration Form, each of your Student Registration Forms, and one school check or money order made payable to the Illinois High School Dance Festival to cover the total amount to:

Helen Zmrhal,  
42 W 402 Keslinger Rd.  
Elburn, IL 60119

Please submit your registration forms and check by Friday, March 30, 2012.  
Email [hzdance13@sbcglobal.net](mailto:hzdance13@sbcglobal.net) with questions.

In closing, we hope that you and your students plan to attend this year's Festival. It is a wonderful experience and an exceptionally rewarding day for everyone. The Steering Committee looks forward to seeing you on May 19<sup>th</sup> at Buffalo Grove High School!

Sincerely,

Michelle Carrison, Buffalo Grove High School  
'12 Festival Chairperson

## STUDENT REGISTRATION FORM

**Directions:** Sponsors please duplicate this sheet and have each dancer fill out their class requests. Number each session 1 (1<sup>st</sup> choice) to 6 (last choice). Registration is taken as it is received. When a class is filled, we will go to your 2<sup>nd</sup> choice, and so on. You must also return the Registration Form with a school administrator's **original** signature. Note: Master teachers and class offerings are subject to change based on teacher's touring schedules and availability.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

\*THIS SCHEDULE IS STILL SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND MASTER TEACHERS HAVE YET TBD.

Registration: 7:45-8:15 a.m. Gymnasium South Hall Entrance (off of Scoville Ave.)

Welcome and Orientation: 8:25-8:35 a.m. in the Fieldhouse

Session 1 8:45-9:35 a.m.

- \_\_\_A. Dance Studio- Ballet
- \_\_\_B. Community Room- Stretch
- \_\_\_C. Main Gym- Fosse
- \_\_\_D. Fieldhouse 1- Modern
- \_\_\_E. Fieldhouse 2- Contemporary Jazz
- \_\_\_F. Library- Yoga
- \_\_\_G. Small Stairwell- Improv

\* Teacher Talk: Guest Choreographers

Session 2 9:45-10:35 a.m.

- \_\_\_H. Dance Studio- Tap
- \_\_\_I. Community Room- Ballet
- \_\_\_J. Main Gym- Contemporary
- \_\_\_K. Fieldhouse 1- Jazz
- \_\_\_L. Fieldhouse 2- Horton Modern
- \_\_\_M. Theater Foyer- Improv
- \_\_\_N. Library- Dance Conditioning

\* Teacher Talk: Auditions and Scheduling

ILLINOIS COLLEGE DANCE PROGRAM SHOWCASE: 10:45-11:30 a.m. in the Main Auditorium

Lunch 11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. South Cafeteria

Session 3 12:45-1:35 p.m.

- \_\_\_O. Dance Studio- Musical Theater
- \_\_\_P. Community Room- Latin
- \_\_\_Q. Main Gym- Hip Hop
- \_\_\_R. Fieldhouse 1- Modern
- \_\_\_S. Fieldhouse 2- Partnering
- \_\_\_T. Theater Foyer- Contemporary Jazz
- \_\_\_U. Library- Pilates

\* Teacher Talk: Curriculum

Session 4 1:45-2:35 p.m.

- \_\_\_V. Dance Studio- Choreography
- \_\_\_W. Community Room- Stretch
- \_\_\_X. Main Gym- African
- \_\_\_Y. Fieldhouse 1- LA Hip Hop
- \_\_\_Z. Fieldhouse 2- Modern
- \_\_\_AA. Cafeteria- Jazz

Student Showcase: 2:50 p.m. in the Main Auditorium

\*TEACHERS! Teach talk will be happening in the Teacher Lounge ALL DAY!!!!

**Each session will feature a different topic of discussion as denoted above!**

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Parent/Guardian's **Original** Signature



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