



# Dance Fusion Auditions

**6th Grade Date & Time TBA at the Blackford Dance Room**

**4th & 5th Grade Date & Time TBA at the Bucknall Dance Room**

**Dance Fusion is the 4th, 5th, 6th grade girls and boys Audition Dance Group.**

They are a group of skilled dancers who work together at a fast pace to learn and perform routines with high energy, precision, enthusiasm and engaging facial expressions.

## Audition Process

Casting at Harker is always conducted fairly. Our extensive Casting and Placement policy can be found on-line. For Dance Fusion specifically:

- The students will be taught and perform an audition routine in front of a panel of judges.
- The students will be judged on the following criteria:
  - Technique/Skills and Flexibility
  - Stage Presence
  - Energy/Commitment to the Movement
  - Ability to Learn Quickly
- Some students will be asked to attend call back auditions. Not everyone will make callbacks.
  - Each year 60-75 students audition and only 16-20 are selected.

## How to Audition

- Complete The Dance Fusion Audition Permission Slip at the bottom of this document.
- Return to the box outside the Dance Rm by Date TBA 6th grd) and Date TBA (4th & 5th grd).
- Students must stay for the entire audition & Parents are not allowed to attend the audition.

## Member Requirements

- Members need to maintain good academic and citizenship standing.
- **Members must be in the Harker Dance Program and in addition to their Fusion rehearsals are required to:**
  - 4th & 5th Grade** – 1. Take a grade level dance class all year. 2. Take one specialty dance class for Session I Dance from Sept. thru February. 3. Perform in the Lower School Dance Concert 4. Attend the Dance Concert dress and all cast show rehearsals.
  - 6th Grade** – 1. Take two dance classes during Session I and III after school dance. 2. Perform in Dance Jamz the Middle School Dance Show 3. Attend the Dance Jamz Placement Day, dress and all cast show rehearsals.
- **Dance Fusion Rehearsals:**
  - Every Friday from 5:15 – 6:45 PM at the Blackford or Bucknall Campus
    - Some students will have to take the shuttle
  - 4-5 weekend rehearsals during the school year. Day and time TBA.
  - Prior to performances there are extended and or extra weekend rehearsals as needed.

- **Performances** – this list is subject to changes and additions:
  - Family Picnic, Tamagawa Welcome, Santana Row Tree Lighting, Friday Holiday Show at all 3 campuses, , Just Dance, Grandparents Day, and 5th Promotion Ceremony.
    - **Students are REQUIRED to perform at all of the shows to be in Dance Fusion.**
- **Commitment:**
  - Dance Fusion rehearsals and the dance program classes are a time commitment. Members will rehearse, take class for many hours. It isn't just about the performances.
  - The dancers may miss a class event or sports party due to a rehearsal or performance.

**Important Note:**

Parents and dancers this is an audition and only a few students will be selected for the group. There will be disappointment. Parents and students need to be prepared for this. If this will be too devastating to handle don't audition. It does not matter if you have auditioned in the past and not been chosen or you were a member of the group last year--selection is based on this audition. Not making the group does not mean your child is a bad dancer; it means they were not right for the group and the style of dance.

**Please DO NOT audition if you will drop out the dance program if you aren't selected for Dance Fusion**

**Please DO NOT audition if you can't commit to the Dance Fusion rehearsal and performance schedule.**

**Remember first and foremost the students are members of the dance program. The highlight of the year is their performance in Dance Jamz (6th grade) or Dance Concert (4th & 5th grade).**

It is important that the students are supportive and respectful to each other, the judges and their dance teachers before, during and after the audition process.

Sincerely,  
Gail Palmer - Dance Fusion Director/K-8 Dance Director  
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## DANCE FUSION - Audition Permission Slip

Print Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

- Return to the box outside the dance room by Date TBA (6th grade) and Date TBA (4th & 5th grade)!
- My child has permission to audition for Dance Fusion the 4th-6th boys & girls dance group and if chosen will join the group for the current school year.
- We understand the selection process and criteria for the audition and the possibility of not being chosen for the group.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_