

Audition Requirements- OSA Dance 2022-23

Continuing the tradition of excellence in dance which stretches decades long at Oakland School for the Arts, the following elements will be considered when evaluating potential participation in the dance sub-pathway:

Dedication, perseverance, curiosity, passion and a strong work ethic are all imperative in the pursuit of growth and development in the field of dance. All of these elements should be present when considering participation in dance at OSA.

The dance sub-pathway is a physically rigorous training program to pursue. We highly encourage all of its prospective students to have a certain level of physical fitness to avoid injury, a foundational knowledge of ballet, modern or jazz technique, as well as a strong desire and drive to build technical and artistic prowess.

Key Components to consider when entering the dance sub-pathway are the existence of or potential to acquire the following:

- Flexibility
- Musicality
- An extensive movement vocabulary
- Strength
- High level of conditioning

Key Components to consider when participating in the dance sub-pathway-

- Being prepared daily to take technique class which includes being in proper dress code, being attentive, hard-working and willing to make physical strides on a daily basis.
- Working outside of class on conditioning, strength building and flexibility exercises.
- Recognizing performance opportunities are a privilege to be earned not expected. Not every dancer will perform in every concert. Eligibility to perform includes a minimum GPA, excellent attendance and class participation as well as a strong work ethic and willingness to attend both classes and rehearsals consistently and attentively.

The audition will take place on February 4th. A technique class featuring both ballet and modern dance styles will be held. This is an opportunity for all dance applicants to demonstrate their skills. Come prepared to dance! (*bring black leotard, tights/leggings and any dance shoes you have (they are not requirements)*)