



Dance Excellence Academy

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The Dance Excellence Academy has been designed to challenge students with a learning experience in dance that focuses on technique and performance. Students will be given the opportunity to further develop their knowledge and skills across a range of styles including jazz, contemporary, lyrical, hip hop and musical theatre. Students will train in purpose built facilities with expertly designed units of work that focus on building teamwork skills, communication and confidence. The program places an emphasis on commitment and professionalism from the students whilst encouraging them to apply the school values of respect, responsibility and perseverance to their learning.

- The Dance Excellence Academy commences in year 7 and has pathways planned for students from year 7 to 12 and into further tertiary studies.



SELECTION CRITERIA

- Students who are interested in the program are invited to undertake a trial process during Year 6 through an EOI process. Students are selected into the Dance Excellence Academy based on their trial assessment, along with their need to demonstrate a high standard of technical abilities and ability to retain choreography performance skills. Students will also be selected based on their capacity to work productively in a positive team environment.



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ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

The RVSSC Dance Excellence Academy entry is competitive. Students will be required to participate in an audition where candidates will take part in stretching, technical exercises plus learning and performing a short dance routine. Candidates are assessed on the following:

- Technique
- Flexibility
- Strength
- Ability to pick up and retain choreography Performance skills

Please note that when selecting suitable students for the Dance Excellence Academy intake several factors are considered. This includes not only the student's performance at the audition sessions but also their most recent report card to give an overall picture of the student. In school reports we look at the students grade in English and this course has a theoretical component plus their effort and behaviour across all subjects.

CONDITIONS OF ENROLMENT

Students enrolled in the Dance Excellence Academy must:

- fulfil the requirements of the program's student contract
- maintain their academic achievement of (C) or above across ALL subjects
- maintain schoolwide attendance expectations of 95% approved attendance or above
- maintain a high attendance percentage at scheduled training sessions
- maintain a BPA and EPA of (C) or above across ALL subjects
- consistently demonstrate the College's core values of Respect, Responsibility and Perseverance within the school grounds and wider community

The College Principal and Head of Department reserve the right to withdraw students from the program at any time.

EXTERNAL PARTNERSHIPS

Through community partnerships, students in the Dance Excellence Academy will be working closely with industry professionals to help deliver the best outcome for our Academy students. Our industry partnerships currently include:



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