



Nantucket Community School

ENGAGING, STRENGTHENING & CONNECTING OUR COMMUNITY



Hello Families,

Welcome to DanceWorks! DanceWorks is a program designed to help your child grow, build a positive character and have fun! I hope for it to be a happy, wholesome environment filled with opportunity, consistency and support through the teaching and learning of dance.

As Artistic Director & Program Coordinator, my mission is to create a program that is filled with students who are discovering and developing their interest and commitment to the art of dance.

I will work hard to introduce and instill just the right amount of self-expression, discipline and passion in each of the students whether they are dancing for fun or exercise or are planning to enter this beautiful art form.

Thank you, in advance. I look forward to enjoying a fun, dance-filled year with your children!

Sincerely,

Miss Kelly (Kelly Corbett)

DanceWorks Artistic Director & Program Coordinator

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POLICY HIGHLIGHTS

Class Placement:

The first priority is to place students where they will progress; with each day and time of class secondary. The first several weeks of classes are a trial period. Dancers will be observed by the teacher and any necessary changes to class placement will be made. Please try to be flexible with scheduling so your child can make the most of their dance experience. Your understanding and support is appreciated.

Appearance/Attire:

A critical aspect in the art of dance is maintaining the proper appearance and attire during each class. This helps the dancer transition into "dance mode" and plays an important role in everyone's safety.

- **Creative Movement:** Girls: Black leotard, pink footless tights. Boys: Shorts, t-shirt, no shoes required.
- **Ballet:** Girls: Black leotard, pink tights, pink ballet slippers. Boys: Black tights or shorts, white t-shirt, black ballet slippers.
- **Hip Hop/Jazz:** Girls: Fitted leggings or shorts, leotard, tights, fitted tank top, black jazz shoes. Boys: shorts, t-shirt and black jazz shoes.
- **Modern/Lyrical:** Girls: Fitted leggings or shorts, leotard, footless tights, fitted tank top. Boys: shorts, t-shirt. Foot undies are not required, but are highly recommended.
- **Everyone: Hair** Unless short, long hair is expected to be worn securely pulled back/away from face.
- **Everyone: Jewelry** Except for earring studs, all jewelry is expected to be left at home.

The Nantucket Community School has arranged to have Mercedes Prohaska with Encore Apparel in Motion to display and sell the required dance apparel. We invite all participating DanceWorks families to take advantage of this opportunity on Saturday, September 23, 2017 in the Cyrus Pierce Middle School cafeteria from 9am-1pm (checks and/or cash is best). We hope this eases some of the online and on island shopping challenges!

Attendance:

We greatly appreciate every effort to be in class consistently. Good attendance provides each dancer with the best opportunity to progress. Missing too many classes makes it difficult for the dancer to pick up choreography and often impacts the progression of their classmates. Any dancer who misses an *excessive* amount of classes will be evaluated by the instructor and may lose the opportunity to participate in the end of the year recital. We know this is not easy and we truly thank you for your support and commitment to helping your dancer succeed in this arena.