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|  2025-26 High School DANCE PROGRAMPenn-Griffin School for the Arts offers a comprehensive Dance Program for grades 9 – 12. We welcome rising 9th -12th graders to apply for the 2025-26 academic school year. Students will study Dance for 90 minutes daily throughout the year. The Dance curriculum includes Ballet, Jazz, Modern/Contemporary, Tap, Choreography, Improvisation; as well as many opportunities to perform and work with regional and national guest dance artists. The academic curriculum at PGSA is at the Honors and Advanced Placement levels. Therefore, applicants must be academically ready for this curriculum*.* We invite you to complete an online application and submit it by Friday, November 22. You must reside in Guilford County to apply and live within one of the designated school attendance zones. The link to the high school application (through SchoolMint) is available online at the school’s website beginning Wednesday, October 9. You will also be invited to complete your in-person audition on Saturday, December 14.  If you have any questions, please contact Kim Spell, Magnet Coordinator, at spellk2@gcsnc.com or Ms. Byrd at byrda2@gcsnc.com.  |
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| Dance Educator’s Bio **Amelia Renee Byrd** **Dance Educator****byrda2@gcsnc.com****from (Memphis, TN) holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree in Theatre/Dance and a Bachelor of Professional Studies alongside a teaching licensure in K-12 Dance Education from the University of Memphis. Amelia was formerly the Dance Educator at Colonial Middle School for the Creative and Performing Arts and a member of Project: Motion Dance Collective in Memphis, TN from 2008-2011. Amelia has presented work with Project: Motion, the University of Memphis Theatre and Dance Department, the UNC-Greensboro School of Dance, Playhouse on the Square’s Summer Youth Theatre Conservatory and the Greensboro Fringe Festival. Amelia is a 2014 graduate of UNC-Greensboro, receiving a Master of Fine Arts Degree in Dance/Choreography and is currently working as the Dance Educator at Penn-Griffin School for the Arts in High Point, NC where she also serves as co-lead Dance Educator for Guilford County Schools. Amelia was a member of JOYEMOVEMENT, a dance company in Greensboro, NC having performed for four seasons (2014-2018). Amelia was also a board member for the North Carolina Dance Education Organization (NCDEO) serving in the position of Dance Advocacy. Amelia most recently presented a piece entitled Womanifesto in the North Carolina Dance Festival.**.  **byrda2@gcsnc.com** |
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