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#### **Terms**

**Beat:** the underlying pulse of the music

**Duration:** the length of time a sound or movement occurs

**Rhythm:** a combination of long and short sounds or movements that creates a pattern the speed or pace of the beat, how fast or slow the movements or the music is

performed

**Unison:** everyone performing the same movement at the same time

## **Dance Steps**

**Cha-Cha:** three steps done to two beats of music.

Count 1&2 = Left, Right, Left (LRL), or Right, Left, Right (RLR) and is used with

cha cha rhythm

**Grapevine:** a continuous traveling step pattern to the side with crosses behind and or in

front of the opposite foot

**Heel Touch:** the heel touches the floor in a given direction without putting weight on that foot

**Hop:** a spring into the air from one foot landing on the same foot

**Jazz Square:** a smooth, sassy step in which a dancer completes a square with four steps **Running Man:** a movement, usually done in two beats of music, initiated by stepping in any

direction on the first beat while bending the knee slightly, and tapping the other

toe on the ground

**Slide:** a movement in any direction.

Push, draw, or slide the unweighted foot up to or back to the unweighted foot.

#### **Line Dances**

**Boot Scootin' Boogie:** a single, released in 1992, by the American country music duo

Brooks & Dunn. A dance has been designed around the song.

**Cha Cha Slide:** a line dance with called instructions.

It is an updated version of the Electric Slide.

**Cotton-Eyed Joe:** a popular American folk song known at various times throughout

the United States and Canada, although today it is most

commonly associated with the American South.

**Cupid Shuffle:** a popular chicken dance and has drawn a lot of comparison to

DJ Casper's "Cha Cha Slide."



This year's senior dance unit is a spin-off of last year's dance unit. Instead of learning new dances, you will be creating your own line dance to a selected piece of music with a group of your peers. The dance will have various requirements that you must fulfill listed below. If your dance has the proper length, required steps, and creativity, then you will receive full credit for the assignment.

Required Length of Dance: 2 minutes

Dance Steps Required: You must include any 5 of the 7

dance steps learned:

Cha-ChaJazz Square

GrapevineRunning Man

Heel Touch
Slide

Hop

Song Choice: Your group captain will draw a number for order of song

choice. The songs may not be used more than once. Once

a song is taken, your group must choose another song.

### Songs:

- "Forever" Chris Brown
- Cotton Eyed Joe
- "Mambo #5" Lou Bega
- "Footloose"
- "Locomotion"
- "Stayin' Alive" Bee Gees
- "Boot Scootin' Boogie-Brooks & Dunn
- "I Will Survive"-Gloria Gaynor

- "Feel Like a Woman"-Shania Twain
- "Rock Your Body" Justin Timberlake
- "Electric Slide"
- "Forget You" Cee Lo Green
- "Only Girl" Rihanna
- "ROCKin' in the USA" Brooks & Dunn

Your group can add additional steps and your dance can repeat itself no more than 4 times. It is a LINE dance but you can be staggered for your presentation. Be CREATIVE!!