

# Dance II Syllabus

## Course Description/Goals:

In Dance II, students will address the elements of advanced dance skills in the areas of Ballet, Jazz, Drill Team, Lyrical and Modern Dance. Students are taught creative expression through movement, awareness of space, time and energy as design factors in dance technique and composition. Focus is on development of self-confidence and an appreciation of dance as an art form. Participants have opportunities to perform, choreograph, and compete in the area of dance, and view other dancers of their age group as well as professional dancers.

## Course TEKS/Objectives:

Dance II is an intermediate-level course designed for students who have successfully completed Dance I or possess a foundational knowledge of dance. This course deepens the exploration of dance as an art form, enhancing students' technical skills, performance quality, creative expression, and understanding of choreography. Students will work with more complex combinations and movement phrases in ballet, jazz, modern, cultural, and contemporary styles, with increasing emphasis on personal artistry and choreographic voice.

Through historical and cultural study, students will gain broader perspectives on dance traditions and their societal impacts. Analytical and reflective practice is central, as students develop the ability to critique performances, evaluate their own growth, and connect dance to lifelong wellness and creative thinking. Dance II aligns with the **Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) for Dance, Level II (§117.307)** and fulfills the fine arts graduation requirement.

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## Course Outline:

Semester 1	Semester 2
Anatomy	Modern/Contemporary

Ballet  
Jazz  
Hip Hop

Musical Theater  
Cultural  
Tap  
Choreography