TMS Dance Team

2026-2027

PURPOSE:

- ★ The purpose of this team is to represent the Tomah Middle School and to support other athletes, become better dancers, and have fun. This team will reflect excellence on and off the dance floor by showing respect to the teammates, athletes, coaches, administration, and parents. Dancers will have a positive and enjoyable experience through hard work and growth through dance.

SCHEDULE:

- ★ Practices begin on Monday, December 14th and will run according to the schedule.
  - Three practice dates will include a technique training coordinated with the High School Team. **We will change and meet as a team at TMS, and we will walk to the High School together on these dates only.**
  - Please plan to pick up your dancer at the HIGH School on these practice dates only: **12/14, 12/15, and 12/17.**
- ★ Starting January 4, 2027, all practices will be held in the TMS cafeteria.

STUDENT/ATHLETE RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. As part of the dance team, participants will be expected to represent TMS in a positive manner, both in behavior and appearance. Poor conduct/behavior during the school day or at practice could result in suspension from practices, performances or removal from the team (see athletic code for more information).
2. TMS Dance Team members are students first; therefore, they must take care of their academics. Failing grades may also result in suspension from practices and performances (see athletic code for more information).
3. All dance participants should plan to be picked up from practice at practice end times.
   a. Please see the section above, or the attached schedule for times/locations.
4. Dancers must be dressed and ready by the start of practice; tardiness is unacceptable. Practice times are printed on the attached schedule.
5. All practices and performances are mandatory. The purpose of practices will vary between learning dance choreography and routines, technique and skills practice, and preparing routines for performances. It is each dancer's obligation to their teammates to be in attendance and it is expected that everyone will give 100% effort each day.
   a. If a dancer must miss practice, a parent must notify the coach via email or the Remind app, at least 24 hours in advance for it to be excused, unless absence is due to illness. If you do not attend school or leave early due to illness, you will not be able to participate in practices or performances that night.
   b. Excused absences include, but are not limited to: school-sponsored field trips, academics, illness, or family emergency. A note from a teacher, parent, or school verification is needed.

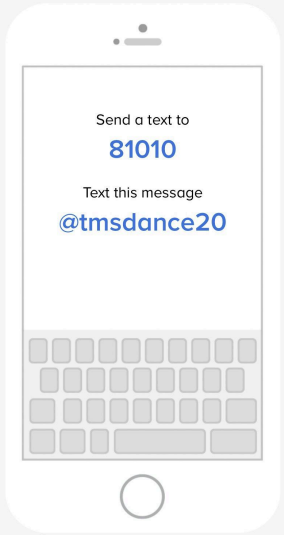
c. Unexcused absences include, but are not limited to: unexcused school absences, skipping practice, homework, etc.
d. Dancers will not be allowed to perform if they miss the practice prior to the scheduled performance.

DRESS CODE:

1. Dancers must come to practices in appropriate attire (ex: t-shirt, shorts, sweatpants, leggings, etc.) and footwear (ex: tennis shoes, jazz shoes). If a dancer does not come to practice in the correct attire, they will sit on the side and watch practice that evening.
2. Dancers are responsible for making sure they are in possession of all necessary items for the dance season (black jazz shoes, tights, jazz pants, etc.). If items are forgotten for performances, dancers will not be able to perform.
    a. ***Black Jazz shoes and black bottoms/leggings are required for performances. Performance tops will be provided during the season.***
3. All jewelry, except for small earrings, must be removed for practices/performances.
4. Hair must be pulled back and away from the face in a ponytail, braid, or bun.

PARENT/GUARDIAN RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Parents/Guardians are responsible for expenses associated with their child's participation on the TMS Dance Team. This includes, but is not limited to, purchasing jazz shoes, leotards, tights, leggings, and a team t-shirt. See apparel info for more details.* These items will not be distributed until payment is made. Not having necessary materials may result in loss of performance opportunities.
2. Parents/Guardians are responsible for transportation of their child following a practice or performance.
3. You are your dancer's greatest support system! Because your dancer is part of a team, please be sure to support all team members with enthusiasm and a positive attitude. Please remember that the coach is always looking out for the best interest of individual dancers, but also has a duty to the entire team and the success of the dance program. Any concerns should be addressed in a respectful manner; however, parents/guardians must understand that the coach's decision is final.



CONTACT INFO:

★ Email: TiffanyBrookman@tomah.education

★ The Remind App Alternative Method: Please go to https://www.remind.com/join/tmsdance20 to get updates and notifications regarding the TMS Dance Team.

Please sign and date this page and return directly to Ms. Brookman!

Dancer's Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____