



TRYOUT APPLICATION

Application Due Date: 4:00 PM Tuesday May 21, 2019

Application for Dancer Number: _____

(This Number will be filled in by the Dance Director)

Dancer must have **ALL** aspects of the application completed to participate in clinics and tryouts. This packet should include:

- COVER SHEET (This page)
- General Application
- Medical Release/Clearance Agreement
- Financial Expectations
- Time Commitment Agreement (Part 1 and 2)
- Academic Agreement and Tryout Eligibility
- Clinic/Tryout Process Explanation
- Student Tryout Agreement
- Parent Tryout Agreement
- Current grades printed from Aeries

I acknowledge that my son/daughter may not participate in clinics or tryouts for the Esperanza Dance Team if they do not turn in a completed application packet by **4:00PM Tuesday MAY 21, 2019.**

I acknowledge that my signature is required multiple times throughout this packet, and that completion of this packet depends on these signatures being fully completed.

PARENT SIGNATURE

DATE

GENERAL APPLICATION

Student Name: _____ D.O.B. _____

CURRENT Grade: _____ CURRENT School: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Student's Cell Phone: _____

Student Email Address: _____

Primary Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Primary P/G Email: _____

Primary P/G Phone #: _____

Relationship to Dancer: _____

Secondary Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Secondary P/G Email: _____

Relationship to Dancer: _____

DANCER INFORMATION:

Describe Previous Dance Experience:
(attach additional sheet if necessary) _____

Athletic Experience: _____

If you are not selected, are you interested in enrolling in Dance PE? (circle one) **YES** **NO**

I, as the Parent/Guardian, verify that the above information is accurate.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE

MEDICAL RELEASE & CLEARANCE AGREEMENT

I understand that, with all physical activity, participation in the clinic and tryout process, as well as dance team rehearsals, includes a risk of physical injury. I agree that the Esperanza Dance Team, Esperanza Dance Team Boosters, Esperanza High School and PYLUSD and any employees of the above mentioned organizations are not liable for injuries that may be sustained during the tryout process.

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In case of emergency during the clinic process, please contact:

Name:	
Cell Phone #:	
Relationship to Dancer:	

I understand that all Esperanza High School athletes must complete a Medical Clearance Packet **BEFORE** they are eligible to complete the tryout process.

I understand that my dancer must complete the online physical **NO LATER THAN May 21, 2019** to be eligible to participate in the final tryout.

I understand that failure to complete the online clearance by May 21st will result in my dancer being ineligible to tryout.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

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FINANCIAL EXPECTATIONS

The Esperanza Dance Team is not school or district funded. The team operates through donations from the families of the dancers, corporate sponsorship, and fundraisers.

All dancers are required to participate in team fundraisers. Fundraiser participation is not weighted in the dancer's academic grade. However, in order for our larger fundraisers to be successful, parent participation is essential. All parents should be available to work during the two to three competitions we host on campus: Contest of Warriors in December and second Competition in February. Exact dates for these events will be confirmed in early June following the Esperanza Facilities Calendar Meeting.

TEAM EXPENSES—WHAT WE ATTEMPT TO RAISE THROUGH FUNDRAISING

	Total Team Expense
Choreography	\$7,500.00
Competition Registration	\$7,500.00
Costumes	\$8,000.00
Team Expenses	\$3,500.00
TOTAL	\$26,500.00

All Team expenses are shared expenses. The Dance Team does not operate on credit and will pay for all purchases up front in full. The team and the booster organization will set donation and fundraising goals. If, at the end of first semester, these goals are not met some intended purchases (such as costumes, team wear, competition entries or banquet) will not move forward.

INDIVIDUAL EXPENSES- WHAT WE REQUEST FAMILIES TO DONATE

PYLUSD Summer Camp Fee	\$200.00
Team Gear And Shoes	\$350.00
Camp Tuition	\$550.00
Costume Rental Fee	\$300.00
Team Warm Ups (New Members)	\$350.00
Dance Team Duffle and Garment Bags (New Members)	\$200.00
Coaching	\$1,300.00
EHS Technique Classes	\$560.00
NEW MEMBER TOTAL	\$3,810.00
RETURNING TOTAL	\$3,260.00

The above lists the breakdown of personal donations vs. fundraising that has kept the team in a solid financial place in the past and competing at the highest level possible. This is based on expenses that team had the previous year and will be altered as we have final numbers of dancers and expenses. There will be a beginning of the year meeting where the final donation breakdown and 2019-2020 budget.

Dancers will be responsible for providing their own practice attire, as well as competition makeup, shoes or other supplies. **Solo entry fees (if applicable) and travel expenses will be separate expenses. Solo fees for the year range from \$400-\$600 a year. We highly request that team donations are paid before solo payments are made, team first! Travel costs for the team have varied from \$500-\$2500/dancer depending on the decided team trip, and will be the responsibility of each individual dancer.**

I have read and understand the financial obligations the team incurs for each dancer. I will do my best to help contribute to the team finances through donation and fundraiser.

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TIME COMMITMENT AGREEMENT—PAGE 1

The Dance Team is a large time commitment. Dance Team members are required to be enrolled in Dance for 0 and 1st period for both semesters. This is non-negotiable. **Failure to enroll in both periods will result in dancer being dropped from the team.**

The dance team practices five days a week before school. Dancers are also required to participate in evening technique classes as a team and may be required to take additional technique classes in their own time. In addition, the dance team will have numerous evening and weekend commitments throughout the year for fundraisers, competitions and team events. We also practice on many school holidays including Summer Break, Winter Break and Spring Break.

Projected Time Commitments:

Summer	Fall Semester	Winter Break	Competition Season (Jan-March)	Spring Break	End of Spring Semester (April-June)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7/15 to 7/18 8am to 1pm • 7/22 to 7/24 8am to 1pm • 7/25 Competition Team Auditions • 7/29-8/32 • EHS Camp in Palm Springs • 8/6 to 8/22 T/W/TH 8am-1pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 and 1st period daily • 1-2 evenings per week for team technique class • 1-2 Saturdays per month for choreography or performance • 1 Saturday per month for fundraisers • Practice on Monday holidays such as Veteran’s Day • Approx. 3-5 home football games • Dance Comp fundraiser in December 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3-4 practice days at the beginning or end of break. Exact dates to be confirmed following facilities calendar meeting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 and 1st period daily • 1-2 evenings per week for team technique class • 7-8 Saturdays and/or Sundays for competition. Sunday commitments will be kept to a minimum. • Approx. 3-5 home basketball games • February WCE Fundraiser 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2-3 practice days at the beginning or end of break. Exact dates to be confirmed following facilities calendar meeting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 and 1st period daily • Occasional after school rehearsals for specific spring show dances • 1-2 Saturdays per month for fundraisers • Spring Show and dress rehearsal (dates TBD)

*These lists are not final or all inclusive. These lists are to help communicate the approximate time commitments dancers can expect. Team members will be supplied with monthly calendars. All rehearsals published on team calendar are mandatory.

TIME COMMITMENT AGREEMENT—PAGE 2

Please list any scheduled vacations below. Include long weekends or trips to take place during the regular school year.

Time of Year (Summer, Spring Break etc.)	Departure Date	Return Date

Dancers are allowed to miss 5 practice days during summer (this does not include Camp). Dancers who miss more than 5 summer practices will be put on a 2-week performance probation when the school year begins. Please be aware that summer is a crucial time for team building and preparation. Dancers that are unable to attend large portions of summer rehearsal may effect a dancer's position on the team.

Attendance in team rehearsals, performances and fundraisers are mandatory. Punctuality is crucial. Failure to attend practice will have consequences including possible performance probation and even removal from the team. Exact Participation Requirements will be outlined in detail in the team contract that will be distributed to the dancers upon making the team.

With the exception of a doctor's note, **any** absence is considered unexcused.

Competitions and performances are mandatory. Failure to attend competitions will result in a 2-week probation, participation in dances reevaluated or ultimately dropped from the team. Dancers must be present from call time to release time. Dancers may not arrive late or leave early from team events as team support and bonding are crucial to the team experience. Most competitions last from early morning to late evening.

Please acknowledge the following:

- I understand that my dancer is expected to take place in all scheduled rehearsals, and is expected to be dropped off and picked up in a timely manner.
- I understand that any absence is unexcused. Appointments, such as orthodontist, doctor, etc. should take place outside team hours.
- I understand that other commitments, such as other extra-curricular activities, SAT tests and prep classes, etc. are to take place outside team hours. All dancers will be presented with acceptable SAT dates that will not conflict with team activities.
- I acknowledge that we have listed all of our planned vacations. Trips that may be planned in the future, or are not listed on this sheet will not be excused absences.
- ***I understand that failure to uphold these commitments may result in my dancer being placed on performance probation, or ultimately dropped from the team.***

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ACADEMIC AGREEMENT AND TRYOUT ELIGIBILITY

The High School experience can be greatly enhanced by participation in athletics and arts programs. Dance Team is a unique organization in that dance is simultaneously athletic and artistic. However, for all high school students, academics should be the first priority. This being the case, it is essential that all dance team members manage their time wisely, and allot the appropriate time and energy to their studies. ***Dance Team members must maintain a minimum of a 2.0 GPA.*** Dancers that drop below a 2.0 at any quarter grading period will be placed on academic performance probation. A dancer receiving less than a 2.0 at the end of the 2nd semester will be dropped from the team. Dancers receiving less than a 2.0 during the 2nd Semester will be ineligible for the team the following year, unless they attend summer school and GPA is brought up above a 2.0.

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY: Dance Team members must maintain a 2.0 GPA while members of the team. Dancers that are not currently carrying a 2.0 GPA may audition, but their status on the team will be dependent on receiving a 2.0 GPA at the end of the semester.

I understand that my dancer must maintain a minimum of a 2.0 GPA in order to remain in good standing. I understand that failure to do so may result in academic probation, or being dropped from the team.

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GENERAL ELIGIBILITY

Dancers are ***INELIGIBLE*** to tryout at any time if they fall into any of the following categories:

- They have been removed from the team in the past for violations of the Sportsmanship, Honor, or Behavioral Policies.
- They have not received district approval to attend Esperanza High School.
- They are deemed ineligible by Esperanza High School administration for any reason.

Dance requires a large amount of dedication and commitment. As in any team setting, the actions of each team member will affect the team as a whole.

Please sign acknowledging that:

- I understand the Eligibility Requirements of Dance Team.
- I certify that my dancer meets the above eligibility requirements.
- I understand that dancers that are selected for Dance Team must continue to maintain the eligibility requirements listed above. Failure to do so may result in being dropped from the team.

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TRYOUT PROCESS EXPLANATION

CLINICS AND TRYOUTS ARE A CLOSED PROCESS.

Parents, siblings or friends that are not participating will not be allowed into the dance room at any time.

Clinics will take place Tuesday and Wednesday from 4:00pm-6:00pm with the formal audition Thursday from 4:00pm to approx. 6:00pm. Dancers should sign in every day and plan to participate for the entirety of the clinic. We will teach new material each day of the clinic. For your best chance of a successful tryout, every day is important. If you know that you will be unable to attend on a certain day, please let the director know ahead of time.

• **ATTIRE**

- It is important to wear clothing that dancers can move comfortably in. Please see recommended clothing items below.
- Men—basketball shorts, sweats, track pants/shorts, t-shirts, tank tops.
- Women—leggings, booty shorts, T-shirts, tank tops, leotard.
- **The following are NOT acceptable clothing choices for clinics:**
 - Jeans (of any kind, including shorts)
 - Collared shirts, blouses, cardigans
 - Skirts
 - Any clothing that restricts movement

• **FOOTWEAR/OTHER**

- Acceptable footwear in the dance room includes: jazz shoes, half soles, and bare feet.
- Hair longer than the ears should be pulled back with bobby pins. Hair that touches the ears should be secured up and off the neck and face (ponytail, bun etc.) **NO LOOSE BANGS.**

TRYOUTS

- Dancer's call time will be at 3:30pm
- Thursday, beginning at 4:00pm, ending at approximately 6:00pm
 - The length of the tryout process will depend on the number of dancers participating, and the number of Call Backs Required.
 - All Dancers will participate in the Across the Floor and kick sequence, Jazz and Lyrical Routine portion of the tryouts. Based on their performance in the first portion of tryouts, judges will determine which dancers are eligible to continue to the second portion of the tryout process.
- **Dancers should wear ALL BLACK for the tryout process. Dress code requirements listed above still apply.**
- **Dancers should look professional. Makeup is not required, but is recommended for female participants.**
- Dancers will receive their tryout number and group on Wednesday.
- Dancers will perform, for the judging panel, the material that they learn throughout the week during the clinic process.
- Dancers will progress through the tryout process in number order, dancing in groups assigned by the director. Only the director will have access to dancer names. All other judges will be aware of dancers' assigned numbers only.
- The judges may execute CALL BACKS. These will be in no particular order. Being unavailable when called back may inhibit a dancers ability to make the team.
- Results will be emailed out on the day of the auditions. The Director will not be available to speak to parents on the day of the auditions. Should you have any questions about tryouts results please email the director.

BY SIGNING THE TRYOUT AGREEMENT BELOW, YOU ARE ACKNOWLEDGING THAT YOU UNDERSTAND THE PROCESS LISTED ON THIS SHEET.

STUDENT TRYOUT AGREEMENT

Being a member of the Dance Team means more than just being a dancer. As a member of the Esperanza Dance Team you are in the public eye on campus and off. Your actions on campus are a reflection of your team. Your actions off campus are a reflection of your team and the entire Esperanza High School Student Body. This being the case, dance team members will be held to a high standard of professionalism, academic integrity, citizenship, courtesy, sportsmanship and responsibility.

If I am selected as a Dance Team Member, I understand that

- ***I will be held to a high standard of behavior both inside and outside of team hours.***
- ***I understand that I will be held accountable for all of my actions, including posts I make to social media sites.***

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Dance Team is a team activity. As such, the actions of a single Dance Team member affects the rest of the team. Absences, tardies, or failure to uphold team commitment in any way holds the entire team back. The team is incomplete without all members in attendance.

If I am selected as a Dance Team member, I understand that

- ***My attendance at all team activities is mandatory.***
- ***Barring doctor excused illness, I should attend practices to observe what is being taught, and performances to support my team members, even if I am unable to dance.***
- ***By not fulfilling these expectations, I am letting my team down.***

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I understand that I need the support of my parent/guardian to be a successful dance team member. However, above all, Dance Team is MY commitment. I may not use my parents as an excuse for failing to uphold that commitment. I understand that it is MY RESPONSIBILITY to:

- Ask about additional fundraising opportunities when needed, and ***to participate in team fundraisers.***
- Arrange for transportation to and from practice and performances when needed.
- Keep my own schedule straight, and balance my commitments.
 - To communicate my dance team schedule to my parents to avoid conflicts with appointments.
 - To communicate with my coach and officers IN ADVANCE when a possible conflict may arise.
 - To manage my time to be sure that I remain academically successful while still balancing my dance team commitment
- Manage my time wisely and assure that I uphold my academic commitments, including tutoring or making up tests, outside of team time.

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I UNDERSTAND THE EXPECTATIONS OF DANCE TEAM MEMBERS AND, IF SELECTED, INTEND TO UPHOLD THEM TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITY. I UNDERSTAND THAT FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN PROBATION OR MY REMOVAL FROM THE TEAM.

STUDENT SIGNATURE

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PARENT TRYOUT AGREEMENT

I verify that I am a legal Parent/Guardian to _____

(Dancer Name)

and that I have the authority to agree to the terms set forth in the application packet.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE

_____ has my permission to participate in the tryout process for the Esperanza
(Dancer Name)

High School Dance Team. I understand that, if my son/daughter is selected as a team member, that both the dancer and I will be held accountable for the commitments we agree to in this Application packet. I understand that the dancer's position on the team may be forfeit if these commitments are not upheld. I understand that the entire, completed packet must be turned in by **4:00 PM TUESDAY May 21** or the dancer will not be eligible to tryout.

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I understand that, with all physical activity, participation in the clinic and tryout process, as well as dance team rehearsals, includes a risk of physical injury. I agree that the Esperanza High School Dance Team Boosters, Esperanza High School the Placentia Yorba Linda Unified School District and any employees of the above mentioned organizations are not liable for injuries sustained during the tryout process.

I understand that the final tryouts will be evaluated by qualified judges, and my dancer and I agree to respect and uphold the decision of that panel. I understand that this decision is FINAL and may not contact coaches or judges regarding their decision.

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- *I have read and understand the attached forms outlining the financial expectations of Dance Team.*
- *I have read and understand the attached forms outlining the time commitment of Dance Team.*
- *I also understand that MY participation is required for Contest of Warriors, and our second competition*
 - *I have read and understand the Academic and Citizenship requirements of Dance Team.*
 - *I have read and understand the Clinic and Tryout Process.*

I understand that my dancer will be unable to be successful in Dance Team without my support. I agree to do my part to uphold dance team requirements by making sure my dancer is available for rehearsals and performances as scheduled. I will do this by: making sure my dancer has timely transportation to and from practice and performances; making sure to schedule doctor/dental/DMV appointments OUTSIDE of practice and performance hours; making sure that all obligations my dancer may be involved in (piano lessons, SAT classes etc.) will be attended to outside of team time.

I UNDERSTAND THAT FAILURE TO UPHOLD THESE COMMITMENTS MAY RESULT IN MY DANCER BEING PERMANENTLY DROPPED FROM THE TEAM.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

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