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GRACE ACADEMY DANCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (DDP)

APPLICATION PACKAGE

Grace Lutheran College consistently achieves outstanding results for students whose passion is dance. From countless placings in local and regional Eisteddfods and National Dance Competition performances to Teacher Partnerships with the Queensland Ballet, the College's dance students are provided with world class opportunities to both develop their choreographic and performance skills.

At the College, students can study Dance as a formal subject from Year 7 to 12. This package provides information about the Dance Development Program, a partnership between the College and Grace Academy to provide an additional extra-curricular opportunity for students who love to dance, or have a passion for artistic movement.



PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The aim of the program is to provide students with knowledge and skills to further develop their ability to look after and strengthen their body as a tool for artistic expression and develop their creativity and choreographic skills. Aligning with the College's mission statement, the program aims to glorify God through a holistic approach to self development, personal goal setting and valuable educational experiences related to dance. Students will **grow**, be **empowered** and **learn** through the education and expertise gained by participation in this extra curricular dance program, discussing their future goals and exploring a broad range of future pathways and performance opportunities.

The participants in the program will attend workshop sessions (outside of school time) one morning per fortnight (7:15-8:00am), addressing:

- Nutrition
- Injury prevention
- Choreographic skill development
- Stretch and strength
- Individualised goal setting & teamwork
- Design and production
- Repertoire development

Each semester, the DDP students will be offered an additional workshop with professional artists/staff to extend their dance skills and encourage personal growth.

Assessment will take place and be reported on at the end of each semester. Annual Program Fee: \$100



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WHO IS DDP FOR?

Any Year 7 or 8 (2020) student attending the College who is interested in extending their dance skills in a supportive environment, whilst also developing a broader understanding of body care, artistry and management skills. Students participating in the program, would also undertake Dance as an elective subject.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Acceptance into the DDP Program is dependant on the following:

- Submission of the online DDP Application Form: <http://www.graceacademy.com.au/dance-development-program>
- Successful audition (during Semester 2 of the previous year)
- Commitment to a College Dance Troupe
- Commitment to study the subject Dance in Years 7, 8 and 9
- Payment of the annual \$100 Program fee

Applications are open for any Grace Lutheran College Year 7 & 8 (2020) students for the program's inaugural year. From 2021, it is intended that the program will accept applicants from Years 7, 8 and 9.

Students are encouraged to complete the online application form at <http://www.graceacademy.com.au/dance-development-program> at their earliest convenience.

For more information, please contact Grace Academy on 3203 0066 or via email graceacademy@glc.qld.edu.au

ADDITIONAL DANCE OPPORTUNITIES AT THE COLLEGE:

- Dance Elective Subjects in Middle School and Senior School
- College Dance Troupes
- Dance Crew
- School Musicals
- Eisteddfod Teams
- Dance Showcase Concerts
- Viewing professional dance performances (excursions)
- Broader performing arts opportunities at the College – music and vocal tuition, drama performances and clubs, choirs, bands, ensembles, and more.

Ignite Excellence: Flexible Learning Pathway (The Arts)

For students performing at a state or national level in their area of talent, a flexible learning pathway can be applied for. This pathway can provide a flexible timetable allowing the student to attend external training, auditions, rehearsals or performances. The flexible timetable individualises the student's hours of attendance and provides a college mentor to oversee its implementation. Written applications for the Ignite Excellence: Flexible Learning Pathway (The Arts), along with supporting documentation, should be submitted to the Head of Teaching and Learning for that Campus.

