Dance Grades 6-8

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Middle School Dance Curriculum Overview

Course Description: Middle School Dance is taught in three units as a quarter class. The dance curriculum looks at different elements in dance and how movement or types of movement affect how a dance looks and feels. Students will also look at different styles of dance and how different cultures use dance to express feelings and emotion. Lastly students will work on choreography and how to subjectively critique others pieces.

Course Sequence:

Unit 1: Elements of Dance and Kinesthetic Movement: 3 weeks

Unit 2: History of Arts and Culture: 3 weeks

Unit 3: Choreography and Performance: 3 weeks

Pre-requisite: None

Unit 1 - Overview

Content Area: Dance

Unit Title: Elements of Dance and Kinesthetic Movement

Grade Level: 6, 7 & 8

Core Ideas: In this unit students will look at different elements of dance. They will also look at how specific movements or type of movements can affect a dance or style of dance.

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	Unit 1 - Standards
Standards (Co	ontent and Technology):
CPI#:	Statement:
Performance l	Expectations (NJSLS)
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	phenomena, experiences, current news, social events) to develop an original dance study.
	b. Explore various movement genres though the elements of dance. Identify and select personal preferences to
	create an original dance study.
1.1.8.Cr2	a. Demonstrate a variety of choreographic devices and dance structures (e.g., ABA, palindrome, theme and
	variation, rondo, retrograde, inversion, narrative, accumulation), to collaboratively develop a dance study with a
11002	clear artistic intent. Use dance terminology to articulate and justify reasons for movement choices.
1.1.8.Cr3	b. Record changes in a dance sequence through writing and/or drawing (e.g., directions, spatial pathways,
1.1.8.Pr4	relationships) using dance notations symbols, or forms of media technology.
1.1.0.F14	a. Perform planned and improvised movement sequences with increasing complexity in the use of floor and air pathways, including various spatial designs for movement interest and contrast to sculpt the body in space.
	b. Perform planned and improvised movement sequences of varying lengths with increasing complexity in the use
	of metric, kinesthetic and breath phrasing.
	c. Perform planned and improvised movement sequences and dance combinations applying dynamic phrasing,
	energy, emotional intent, and characterization.
1.1.8.Pr5	a. Examine how healthful strategies (e.g., nutrition, injury prevention, emotional health, overall functioning) and
	safe body-use practices are essential for the dancer.
	b. Examine how kinesthetic principles and various body systems (e.g., cardiovascular, respiratory,
	musculoskeletal) relate to the dancing body.
	c. Demonstrate use of elongated spine and engage in release of tension from spine/shoulders. Demonstrate the
	placement and shifting of energy in the body. Use vertical, off-center and non-vertical alignment. Maintain
	organization of the body while moving through space.
	d. Explore movement that develops a wide range of motion, muscular flexibility, strength, and endurance. Explore
	different body conditioning techniques (e.g., yoga, weight training, aerobics, Pilates). e. Transfer vocabulary and codified movements from various styles/genres with genre specific alignment.
	Demonstrate, through focused practice and repetition, breath control, body part initiation and body sequencing.
1.1.8.Pr6	a. Investigate visualization, motor imagery and breath to apply and enhance the quality of body mechanics and the
1.1.0.110	energy related to the movement skill.
	b. Apply specific feedback in rehearsal to refine performance accuracy, consistency and expressiveness. Clarify
	the execution of complex patterns, sequences and formations.
	c. Apply feedback to make changes to and adapt movements to performance area. Use performance etiquette and
	performance practices during class, rehearsal and performance. Accept notes from the choreographer, apply
	corrections and document performance process using dance and production terminology. Analyze and evaluate the
	success of a performance.
	d. Differentiate technical and production elements and terminology to communicate with performers and
1 1 0 D - 7	backstage personnel to enhance the artistic intent of the dances.
1.1.8.Re7	a. Use genre-specific terminology to compare and contrast recurring patterns of movement and their relationships in dance in the context of artistic intent.
	b. Use genre-specific dance terminology. Explain how the elements of dance are used and how they differ in a
	variety of genres, styles, or cultural movement practices to communicate intent. Use genre-specific dance
	terminology.
1.1.8.Re8	a. Examine a dance and explain how artistic expression is achieved through relationships among the elements of
	dance, use of body, dance technique, and context. Interpret using genre specific dance terminology.
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1.1.8.Re9	a. Examine artistic criteria to determine what makes an effective performance. Consider content, context, genre,
	style, and /or cultural movement practice to comprehend artistic expression. Use genre-specific dance
	terminology.
1.1.8.Re11	a. Research and analyze how dances from a variety of cultures, societies, historical periods, or communities
1	reveal the ideas and perspectives of the people from whom the dances originate.
Career Readin	ess, Life Literacies, and Key Skills
9.1.8.CR.2	Compare various ways to give back through strengths, passions, goals, and other personal factors.
9.2.8.CAP.5	Develop a personal plan with the assistance of an adult mentor that includes information about career areas of
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9.2.8.CAP.10	Evaluate how careers have evolved regionally, nationally, and globally.
9.2.8.CAP.12	Assess personal strengths, talents, values, and interests to appropriate jobs and careers to maximize career
	potential
9.4.8.CI.3	Examine challenges that may exist in the adoption of new ideas
9.4.8.DC.2	Provide appropriate citation and attribution elements when creating media products
9.4.8.DC.7	Collaborate within a digital community to create a digital artifact using strategies such as crowdsourcing or digital
	surveys.
9.4.8.GCA.1	Model how to navigate cultural differences with sensitivity and respect
9.4.8.GCA.2	Demonstrate openness to diverse ideas and perspectives through active discussions to achieve a group goal.
9.4.8.IML.7	Use information from a variety of sources, contexts, disciplines, and cultures for a specific purpose
9.4.8.IML.11	Predict the personal and community impact of online and social media activities.
9.4.8.IML.12	Use relevant tools to produce, publish, and deliver information supported with evidence for an authentic audience.
9.4.8.TL.3	Select appropriate tools to organize and present information digitally.
9.4.8.TL.5	Compare the process and effectiveness of synchronous collaboration and asynchronous collaboration.
9.4.8.TL.6	Collaborate to develop and publish work that provides perspectives on a real-world problem.
Computer Scie	nce and Design Thinking
8.1.8.IC.2	Describe issues of bias and accessibility in the design of existing technologies.
8.2.8.ITH.2	Compare how technologies have influenced society over time.
Intercultural S	tatements (Amistad, Holocaust, LGBT, etc)
Different genres of	of dance will be looked at and incorporated into study and choreography. These genres can include dances that have
	ope, South Africa, South America, etc.
Students will stud	ly different choreographers including but not limited to Bob Fosse, Marcelo Gomes, Jin Xing, Bruno Tonioli, Robert
Joffrey, Martha G	raham, and Twyla Tharp
Interdisciplina	ry Connection
NJSLSA.SL1	Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners,
1	building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
NJSLSA.SL2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitative, and

Unit Essential Question(s):

- What social relationships and roles are implied by the facings, contact, and leader/follower relationships between partners?
- In what ways do my muscles need to work to accomplish specific movements?
- How does social dancing affect my aerobic condition?
 Physical strength?

Unit Enduring Understandings:

- Understand the relationship and roles between partners
- Understand what muscles are needed and what they do in specific movements
- How does social dancing affect my physical strength and condition.

Evidence of Learning

Formative Assessments:

- Teacher observations
- Discussions
- Do Now
- Listening activities
- Questioning
- Entry tickets
- Exit tickets
- Homework

- Quizzes

Summative/Benchmark Assessment(s):

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- Writing assignments

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Resources/Materials:

- Choreographic Structure:

http://www.artsalive.ca/en/dan/make/toolbox/formstructure.asp

- Book: Dance Composition Basics Capturing the Choreographer's Craft by Pamela Sofras
- Application: 8 counts -

https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/8counts/id379903606?mt=8

- Video: Bring in da Noise, Bring in da Funk:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dp bM C-BT0

- Video: 42nd Street:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R8Q7vcnU9nc

- ArtsAlive Website: http://artsalive.ca/en/
- Great performances PBS: http://www.pbs.org/wnet/gperf/
- Dance Styles: http://justdanceballroom.com/styles.asp
- Contemporary Dance Vocabulary: https://www.contemporary-

dance.org/dance-terms.html

Key Vocabulary:

Abstraction, Accumulation, Alignment, Arch, Beat, Body placement, Canon, Choreographer, Clarity of line, Contraction, Correct alignment, Counterpoint, Dance steps, Dynamic (s), Flow, Form, Gesture, Grounded, Happening, High level, Improvisation, Inversion, Jete, Legato, Levels, Lighting Lunge, Minimization, Mirroring, Movement image, Musicality, Pas de bourree, Pas de chat, Percussive, Phrase, Piece, Pirouette, Postmodern Dance, Quality of movement, Release, Retire, Retrograde, Rhythm, Score, Shape, Space, Stance, Technical Skills, Technique, Tempo, Tilt, Time, Triplet, Turnout, Unison, Variation, Weight

	Suggested	Pacing Guide	
Lesson	Student Learning Objective(s)	Suggested Tasks/Activities:	Day(s) to Complete
Name/Topic			
Movement	Recognize the choreographic structures of contrast and transition and the process of reordering or of chance in dance masterworks	 Manipulate movement phrases with devices such as repetition, inversion, retrograde. Teach a movement phrase that includes strength, flexibility and endurance. Have the students alter the phrase by manipulating the tempo, accents, directions, levels and energy qualities. 	This unit will take approximately three weeks to complete.
Structures	Analyze the manipulation of elements of dance used for choreographic intent in dance master works (e.g., changes in rhythm, proportion, spatial relationships, dynamics etc.)	Explore structures such as Call and Response, Flocking.	
Locomotor and Axial Sequence	Create and demonstrate a solo or group dance composition which blends variety in body patterns,	Analyze how varying the use of force affects the way a	

execute Movement Manipulate the aspects of time, space and weight to communicate meaning in movement dynamics and qualities to communicate meaning in improvisation and choreographed solo or group works. Manipulate the aspects of time, space and weight to communicate meaning in movement dynamics and qualities to communicate meaning in improvisation and choreographed solo or group works. Manipulate the aspects of time, space and weight to communicate meaning in movement using combinations of effort actions, movement dynamics and qualities to communicate meaning in improvisation and choreographed solo or group works. Objectively assess observable criteria regarding content, form, technical proficiency and formal structures in various self and peer generated works of dance using rubrics and holistic scoring guides. and is interpreted. Teach a complex locomotor and axial sequence. Have the students alter the sequence's breath and metric rhythms, spatial directions, shaping of the body and energy qualities. Connect the locomotor and axial sequence of a story. See what sections of the movement sequences in a variety of dance forms with accuracy. Make spontaneous choices in a dance partnering with sensitivity to the partner. Explain the technical demands of a style.				
Movement space and weight to communicate meaning in movement using combinations of effort actions, movement dynamics and qualities to communicate meaning in improvisation and choreographed solo or group works. Objectively assess observable criteria regarding content, form, technical proficiency and formal structures in various self and peer generated works of dance using rubrics and holistic scoring guides. Dance Studies Analyze and assess the form, function, craftsmanship and originality of two opposing dance works in the same dance style (e.g., Bring in da Funk versus 42 nd Street). Verbally differentiate the purposes between utilitarian and nonutilitarian dance works. Interdisciplinary Standard: SL.8.4. Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear		and application of major muscle	 Teach a complex locomotor and axial sequence. Have the students alter the sequence's breath and metric rhythms, spatial directions, shaping of the body and energy qualities. Connect the locomotor and axial sequence to a story. See what sections of the movement sequence relate to different characters in the story. Discuss 	
function, craftsmanship and originality of two opposing dance works in the same dance style (e.g., <i>Bring in da Noise, Bring in da Funk</i> versus 42 nd Street). • Verbally differentiate the purposes between utilitarian and nonutilitarian dance works. <i>Interdisciplinary Standard:</i> SL.8.4. Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear	Movement	space and weight to communicate meaning in movement using combinations of effort actions, movement dynamics and qualities to communicate meaning in improvisation and choreographed solo or group works. Objectively assess observable criteria regarding content, form, technical proficiency and formal structures in various self and peer generated works of dance using	 a variety of dance forms with accuracy. Make spontaneous choices in a dance partnering with sensitivity to the partner. Explain the technical demands 	
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	Students with Disabilities	English Language Learners	Gifted and Talented Students	Students at Risk	504 Students

Allow errors	Assign a buddy,	Provide extension	Provide extended	Allow errors
• Rephrase questions,	same language or	activities	time to complete tasks	• Rephrase questions,
directions, and	English speaking	• Build on students'	 Consult with 	directions, and
explanations	 Allow errors in 	intrinsic motivation	Guidance Counselors	explanations
 Allow extended 	speaking	 Consult with parents 	and follow I&RS	 Allow extended
time to answer	 Rephrase questions, 	to accommodate	procedures/action	time to answer
questions and permit	directions, and	students' interests in	plans	questions and permit
drawing as an	explanations	completing tasks at	 Consult with other 	drawing as an
explanation	 Allow extended 	their level of	members of the 7th	explanation
 Accept participation 	time to answer	engagement	grade team for	 Accept participation
on any level, even one	questions		specific behavior	on any level, even one
word	 Accept participation 		interventions	word
 Consult with Case 	at any level, even one		• Provide rewards as	 Consult with Case
Managers and follow	word		necessary	Managers and follow
IEP accommodations/				IEP accommodations/
modifications				modifications •
				Assign a buddy, same
				language or English
				speaking

Unit 2 - Overview	
Content Area: Dance	
Unit Title: History of Arts and Culture	
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Core Ideas: In this unit students will look at how dance is different between styles and cultures. Students will look at how culture and music greatly affect dance. Students will also look at how dance has changed and evolved through generations.

	Unit 2 - Standards
Standards (C	Content and Technology):
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1.1.8.Cr3	 a. Revise choreography collaboratively or independently based on artistic criteria, self-reflection and the feedback of others. Explain movement choices and revisions and how they impact the artistic intent. b. Record changes in a dance sequence through writing and/or drawing (e.g., directions, spatial pathways, relationships) using dance notations symbols, or forms of media technology.
1.1.8.Pr4	a. Perform planned and improvised movement sequences with increasing complexity in the use of floor and air pathways, including various spatial designs for movement interest and contrast to sculpt the body in space. b. Perform planned and improvised movement sequences of varying lengths with increasing complexity in the use of metric, kinesthetic and breath phrasing. c. Perform planned and improvised movement sequences and dance combinations applying dynamic phrasing, energy, emotional intent, and characterization.
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1.1.8.Re9	a. Examine artistic criteria to determine what makes an effective performance. Consider content, context, genre, style, and /or cultural movement practice to comprehend artistic expression. Use genre-specific dance terminology.
1.1.8.Cn10	 a. Explain how the perspectives expressed by the choreographer impacts personal interpretation. Consider how personal background and experiences influence responses to dance works. b. Employ a variety of research methods to inform the development of original dances about global issues, including climate change. Articulate ways the research deepened understanding of the topic and how big ideas are expressed metaphorically through dance.
1.1.8.Cn11	a. Research and analyze how dances from a variety of cultures, societies, historical periods, or communities reveal the ideas and perspectives of the people of which the dances originate.
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	orally
NJSLSA.R7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually and quantitatively, as
	well as in words.
NJSLSA.W4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task,
	purpose, and audience

Unit Essential Question(s):

- How do new social dances and variations on social dance steps arise?
- What impact has dance had on culture and society throughout history?
- What are the similarities and differences among dances of various cultures?
- What role does dance play in the culture of a specific country or region?
- What are dance styles and how are they categorized in genres?
- What are the technical demands of the various styles of dance?
- How is dance language used to describe specific aesthetic differences and similarities between styles and artists
- How is music and style connected?
- How are forms of dance influenced by time, place and people?

Unit Enduring Understandings:

- Understand how social and ritual dances come about
- Understand the impact that some dances have on cultural and society
- Understand the similarities and differences among dances in different cultures and regions of the world.
- Understand the technical demands of various dance styles.
- Understand how dance is influenced by time, place, people and music.

Evidence of Learning

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Resources/Materials: Key Vocabulary:

- Dance Texts: https://www.readworks.org/find-content#!g:Dance/g:/t:0/f:0/pt:/features:/

- Dance Artifacts:

https://digitalcollections.nypl.org/collections/dance-in-photographs-and-prints#/?tab=navigation

- The Evolution of Dance:

https://www.ted.com/talks/the_lxd_in_the_internet_age_d ance_evolves/up-next#t-408223

- Article: What is Hip Hop?

https://www.educationworld.com/a lesson/what-is-hip-hop.shtml

- PBS Resources:

https://nj.pbslearningmedia.org/search/?q=Dance&selected
facets=

- Interpreting Mythology Through Dance:

https://artsedge.kennedy-

center.org/educators/lessons/grade-6-

8/Interpreting Mythology Through Dance

- Video: How to Dance Through Time- The Elegance of Baroque https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9wIU4PP1eUI

Accumulation, Choreographer, Contemporary Dance, Counterpoint, Dance steps, Dance Theatre, Director, Dynamic (s), Genre, High level, History of choreography, Improvisation, Lyrical, Minimization, Modern Dance, Musicality, Postmodern Dance, Technical Skills, Technique

	Suggested	Pacing Guide	
Lesson Name/Topic	Student Learning Objective(s)	Suggested Tasks/Activities:	Day(s) to Complete
Social Dances	Observe how social and cultural values, from past and contemporary choreographers (e.g., Ruth St. Denisexoticism, Katherine Dunham-Afro-Caribbean dance heritage, Erik Hawkins-examination of native American culture, Bill T. Jonescontemporary African-American condition etc.), influenced the dynamics of their works.	Learn social dances from various periods.	This unit will take approximately three weeks to complete
Reflection	Analyze the impact of the advent of video technology and its influence on dance innovations (e.g., dance in movies; dance in music videos; dance on TV; dance in reality shows)	Reflect upon the emotional response to a dance and use expressive language to report experiences.	
Dances, Artists and Rituals of Different Countries	 Compare and contrast the use of spatial patterning and relationships in past and contemporary dance works from world cultures (e.g., French Baroque verses Alwin Nikolais's illusionary space). Trace the social and political impact on the culture of the arts and as well as artists impact on culture in the 20th and 21st centuries (e.g., Jazz Dance; Musical Theatre; Tap Dance; Hip Hop; Ballroom Dance etc.). Research and perform dances that illustrate similar and/or contrasting 	 Make a "family tree" of a dance form, including major artists and dates of significant work Choose from a "grab bag of countries," and research the dances of the country chosen. Learn and perform an authentic ceremonial or ritual dance (e.g. Hora Agadati from Israel, Tinikling from Philippines or Progressive Circle from USA). Read about and view works of Contemporary Modern choreographers and identify 	

companies.

Teacher Notes:

Additional Resources:

Differentiation/Modification Strategies					
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Unit 3 - Overview Content Area: Dance Unit Title: Choreography and Performance Grade Level: 6, 7 & 8

Core Ideas: In this unit students will work on choreography. They will work on manipulating body parts to improve their pieces as well as learning to critique others to help them improve their pieces.

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	b. Establish criteria to choreograph a dance that communicates personal, historical, socio-political, or cultural
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	pathways, including various spatial designs for movement interest and contrast to sculpt the body in space.
	b. Perform planned and improvised movement sequences of varying lengths with increasing complexity in the use
	of metric, kinesthetic and breath phrasing.
	c. Perform planned and improvised movement sequences and dance combinations applying dynamic phrasing,
	energy, emotional intent and characterization.
1.1.8.Pr5	a. Examine how healthful strategies (e.g., nutrition, injury prevention emotional health and overall functioning)
	and safe body-use practices are essential for the dancer.
	b. Examine how kinesthetic principles and various body systems (e.g., cardiovascular, respiratory,
	musculoskeletal) relate to the dancing body.
	c. Demonstrate use of elongated spine and engage in release of tension from spine/shoulders, the placement and
	shifting of energy in the body. Use vertical, off-center, and non-vertical alignment. Maintain organization of the body while moving through space.
	d. Explore movement that develops a wide range of motion, muscular flexibility, strength, and endurance. Explore
	different body conditioning techniques (e.g., yoga, weight training, aerobics, Pilates).
	e. Transfer vocabulary and codified movements from various styles/genres with genre specific alignment.
	Demonstrate, through focused practice and repetition, breath control, body part initiation and body sequencing.
1.1.8.Pr6	a. Investigate visualization, motor imagery, and breath to apply and enhance the quality of body mechanics and the
	energy related to the movement skill.
	b. Apply specific feedback in rehearsal to refine performance accuracy, consistency, and expressiveness. Clarify
	the execution of complex patterns, sequences and formations.
	c. Apply feedback to make changes to and adapt movements to performance area. Use performance etiquette and
	performance practices during class, rehearsal and performance. Accept notes from choreographer, apply
	corrections, and document performance process using dance and production terminology. Analyze and evaluate
	the success of a performance.
	d. Differentiate technical and production elements and terminology to communicate with performers and
1 1 0 D 7	backstage personnel to enhance the artistic intent of the dances.
1.1.8.Re7	a. Use genre-specific terminology to compare and contrast recurring patterns of movement and their relationships in dance in context of artistic intent.
	b. Use genre-specific dance terminology. Explain how the elements of dance are used and how they differ in a
	variety of genres, styles, or cultural movement practices to communicate intent. Use genre-specific dance
	terminology.
1.1.8.Re8	a. Examine a dance and explain how artistic expression is achieved through relationships among the elements of
1.1.0.100	dance, use of body, dance technique and context. Interpret using genre specific dance terminology.
1.1.8.Re9	a. Examine artistic criteria to determine what makes an effective performance. Consider content, context, genre,
	style, and /or cultural movement practice to comprehend artistic expression. Use genre-specific dance
	terminology.

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1.1.8.Cn10	choreographer impacts personal interpretation. Consider how			
	personal background and experiences influence responses to dance works.			
	b. Employ a variety of research methods to inform the development of original dances about global issues, including climate change. Articulate ways the research deepened understanding of the topic and how big ideas a			
	expressed metaphorically through dance	caren deepened understanding of the topic and now ofg ideas are		
1.1.8.Cn11	a. Research and analyze how dances from a variety of cultures, societies, historical periods, or communities in			
111.0.0111	the ideas and perspectives of the people of which	•		
Career Readin	ess, Life Literacies, and Key Skills			
9.1.8.CR.2		ngths, passions, goals, and other personal factors.		
9.2.8.CAP.5	Develop a personal plan with the assistance of an adult mentor that includes information about career areas of			
	interest, goals and an educational plan.			
9.2.8.CAP.10	Evaluate how careers have evolved regionally, na	ationally, and globally.		
9.2.8.CAP.12		terests to appropriate jobs and careers to maximize career		
	potential			
9.4.8.CI.3	Examine challenges that may exist in the adoption	on of new ideas		
9.4.8.DC.2	Provide appropriate citation and attribution elem			
9.4.8.DC.7	Collaborate within a digital community to create a digital artifact using strategies such as crowdsourcing or			
	digital surveys.			
9.4.8.GCA.1	Model how to navigate cultural differences with sensitivity and respect			
9.4.8.GCA.2	Demonstrate openness to diverse ideas and perspectives through active discussions to achieve a group goal.			
9.4.8.IML.7	Use information from a variety of sources, contexts, disciplines, and cultures for a specific purpose			
9.4.8.IML.12	Use relevant tools to produce, publish, and deliver information supported with evidence for an authentic			
	audience.			
9.4.8.TL.3	Select appropriate tools to organize and present information digitally.			
9.4.8.TL.5	Compare the process and effectiveness of synchronous collaboration and asynchronous collaboration.			
9.4.8.TL.6	Collaborate to develop and publish work that pro	ovides perspectives on a real-world problem.		
Computer Scie	ence and Design Thinking			
8.1.8.DA.3	Identify the appropriate tool to access data based	on its file format.		
8.2.8.ITH.2	Compare how technologies have influenced socie	ety over time.		
Intercultural S	tatements (Amistad, Holocaust, LGBT, etc)		
Different genres	of dance will be looked at and incorporated into stud	ly and choreography. These genres can include dances that have		
	ope, South Africa, South America, etc.			
		l to Bob Fosse, Marcelo Gomes, Jin Xing, Bruno Tonioli, Robert		
	Graham, and Twyla Tharp			
Interdisciplina	<u> </u>			
NJSLSA.SL1	Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners,			
building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.				
NJSLSA.SL2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in di orally	iverse media and formats, including visually, quantitative, and		
Unit Essential	Question(s):	Unit Enduring Understandings:		
	individual styles affect a group	Understand how to use individual style in a group		
performance?		performance		
How can I r	recognize this dance to enhance its	Understand how to use music and movement to		
expressiveness?		enhance a performance		
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Evidence of Learning

Formative Assessments:

How can I use music more effectively to support my

- Teacher observations
- Discussions

theme?

- Do Now
- Listening activities
- Questioning Entry tickets
- Exit tickets
- Homework

- Quizzes

Summative/Benchmark Assessment(s):

- Dance portfolio (paper or digital)
- Tests
- Projects
- Performances
- Ouizzes
- Writing assignments

Alternative Assessments:

- Performances
- Projects
- On-line tests / assignments

Resources/Materials:

- Telling a Story Through Dance:

http://www.sedl.org/afterschool/lessonplans/index.cgi?show_record=125

- Magisto https://www.magisto.com/
- Playbook Dance -

https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/playbook.dance/id572038 933?mt=8

- Hip Hop Dance Moves for Kids -

https://www.howcast.com/guides/994-hip-hop-dance-moves-for-kids/

- Contemporary Dancing for Beginners -

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KstgOWbM6vk

- Indian Folk Dance: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-knKCPnRpR0
- Latin Folk Dance:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qihYdSsLhXo

- Russian Folk Dance:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=niY0GZpQQSI

Key Vocabulary:

Alignment, Arch, Beat, Body placement, Canon, Choreographer, Clarity of line, Contraction, Correct alignment, Counterpoint, Dance steps, Dynamic (s), Flow, Form, Gesture, Grounded, Happening, Improvisation, Inversion, Jete, Legato, Levels, Lighting Lunge, Minimization, Mirroring, Movement image, Musicality, Pas de bourree, Pas de chat, Percussive, Phrase, Piece, Pirouette, Postmodern Dance, Quality of movement, Release, Retire, Retrograde, Rhythm, Score, Shape, Space, Stance, Technical Skills, Technique, Tempo, Tilt, Time, Triplet, Turnout, Unison, Variation, Weight

Suggested Pacing Guide					
Lesson Name/Topic	Student Learning Objective(s)	Suggested Tasks/Activities:	Day(s) to Complete		
Create	 Identify the use of arts media in dance master works. Manipulate one single effort factor in each effort state combination including: Awake state (space-time), Rhythm 	Create a work with peers using original movement material devices to manipulate phrases, and a clear choreographic structure.	This unit will take approximately three weeks to complete		
Critique and Revise	Analyze/interpret the role and use of technology and media arts to convey meaning in master dance works and create and perform a short solo or group dance composition utilizing technology and media arts (e.g., television, film, video, radio, and electronic media) as catalyst for, in support of, and/or fully integrated within the dance composition.	 Take video footage of only classmates' feet and legs as they are rehearsing a dance; repeat with only the upper body; use to revise performance. With peers, create a video of students dancing to weave into a performance. Interpret a dance in terms of content (narrative, themed or 			

	 Differentiate the elements of style and design of a traditional and non-traditional dance work and apply conventional and non-conventional elements of style to express new ideas in self-generated choreography. Objectively assess observable criteria regarding content, form, technical proficiency and formal structures in various self and peer generated works of dance using rubrics and holistic scoring guides. 	abstract) and context (theatrical, ritual or social). • Analyze a dance's content and social/cultural context.	
Performance	 Develop and demonstrate strength, flexibility and coordination with application of anatomically sound body mechanics. Interpret the characteristics of imagery and representation in various dance works and apply symbolism to a short original choreographic work. 	Produce a performance with peers, taking various roles, and analyze the skills needed for such jobs.	

Teacher Notes:

Additional Resources:

Differentiation/Modification Strategies					
Students with Disabilities	English Language Learners	Gifted and Talented Students	Students at Risk	504 Students	
Allow errors Rephrase questions, directions, and explanations Allow extended time to answer questions and permit drawing as an explanation Accept participation on any level, even one word Consult with Case Managers and follow IEP accommodations/modifications	 Assign a buddy, same language or English speaking Allow errors in speaking Rephrase questions, directions, and explanations Allow extended time to answer questions Accept participation at any level, even one word 	Provide extension activities Build on students' intrinsic motivation Consult with parents to accommodate students' interests in completing tasks at their level of engagement	Provide extended time to complete tasks Consult with Guidance Counselors and follow I&RS procedures/action plans Consult with other members of the 7th grade team for specific behavior interventions Provide rewards as necessary	 Allow errors Rephrase questions, directions, and explanations Allow extended time to answer questions and permit drawing as an explanation Accept participation on any level, even one word Consult with Case Managers and follow IEP accommodations/modifications Assign a buddy, same language or English speaking 	