



Northwest Regional High School Dance Festival 2026

Adjudication Rules

Number of Works

- No more than 6 works may be submitted by any one school.
- If submitting 6 works, at least two of these must be choreographed by a student currently enrolled at your school. Only one may be a solo. No school identifying info should be on the video (no credits noted) so as to ensure panelists cannot identify the school.

Length of Works

- Faculty/Guest dance works should be 3-12 minutes in length (maximum). If not 3 minutes minimum of movement/music, it will not be adjudicated by the panel.
- Student choreographed works should be 3-6 minutes in length (maximum). One student work out of all festival submissions, will be selected for the Outstanding Student Choreography Award. If not 3 minutes of movement/music minimum, it will not be adjudicated by the panel.

Types of Works

- Works submitted must be in one of the following concert dance idioms: ballet, modern, jazz, hip hop, tap, musical theater, or world dance.
- Choreography may be by a faculty member, guest choreographer, or currently enrolled student.
- A reconstructed work, where the choreographer is no longer living, may also be submitted. You are responsible for acquiring any permission rights and providing appropriate credit.

Eligibility

- Dancers must be full-time high school students, currently enrolled in grade 9, 10, 11, or 12 at the school submitting the dance(s).
- Works submitted must be a final product, in costume, and must be danced by those who will be performing the piece in the festival.
- If any dancer were to be substituted without the express permission of the committee, the entire work may be disqualified from performance.
- Works previously performed at NHSDF or a regional festival in the last 2 years by your school may not be resubmitted.

Verification

The teacher in charge must verify that any student piece submitted has been choreographed by that student. Faculty feedback is welcome, but the work is student.

Submissions

Video link(s) = Deadline for payment, dance information form, video link (remember to have no identifying marks on the actual video footage) **December 11, 2025.**