



2023-2024 Course Expectations

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Course Description:

This one-year course is designed to develop an appreciation of the traditional Mexican dance form, Ballet Folklórico. This will be achieved by providing movement experiences that explore and extend the artistic, affective, cognitive, and psychomotor potentials of the student.

Course Goals

1. To develop an appreciation for Ballet Folklórico dance as an artistic medium.
2. To provide activities designed to develop mastery of body movement.
3. To develop a kinesthetic awareness of how to use the body expressively.
4. To experience a variety of Ballet Folklórico dance forms from the different regions of Mexico.
5. To stimulate creativity.
6. To enhance confidence, self-esteem, and personal enjoyment.
7. To socialize through dance.
8. To cooperate interactively.
9. To explore the historical evolution of Ballet Folklórico.
10. To develop a sensitivity for movement as a form of communication.
11. To understand different cultures.
12. To reinforce dance as a means of expression throughout history.
13. To explore methods of evaluating various Ballet Folklórico dance works.
14. To promote physical and emotional well-being through dance.
15. To explore the potential careers in dance.



Course Content and Sequence

Quarter 1: To develop an appreciation for Ballet Folklórico dance as an artistic medium, through basic dance steps, and sequences.

Quarter 2: To develop a kinesthetic awareness of how to use the body expressively, through performances.

Quarter 3: To develop a sensitivity for movement as a form of communication and as a means through choreography and staging.

Quarter 4: To experience a variety of Ballet Folklórico dance forms from the different regions of Mexico through final performances.

Course Activities

There will be mandatory performances that are worth a Summative grade. The first concert will be November 14th, the second concert will be April 16th. Ticket prices for concerts are \$5.00.

Students will need to report to the cafeteria at 5:00pm dressed in concert attire. There will be no adult supervision between 2:05- to 4:55pm. Students and parents must make the appropriate arrangements for concert days. Concerts run from 6:00pm-7:00pm.

Tickets will be available for purchase online two weeks prior to the concert date at showtix4u.com.

Course Fees

There is a course fee of \$40. Fees help cover classroom materials, hairpieces, accessories, cleanings, maintenance, and other various classroom supplies.

Additionally, there will be a cost of \$20 to rent school uniforms/vestuario.



Areas of Assessment

1. Quarter Grades will be based as follows: **20% on Formative Assessments and 80% on Summative Assessments.**

<i>Formative: Assessment <u>for</u> Learning</i>	<i>Summative: Assessment <u>of</u> Learning</i>
Monitoring student learning Classwork, observations, checklists, homework No reassessments allowed Late work allowed (see Submission Process)	Evaluate student learning Quizzes, unit exams, projects, presentations, essays, performance <i>All formative assignments must be submitted before taking the summative assessment.</i> Reassessments allowed (see Reassessment Process)

3. Semester Grades will be based on quarter grades as shown below.

- a. Quarter 1/3 50%
- b. Quarter 2/4 50%

Late Work Policy

1. Students will communicate with their teachers and explain why assigned work is late.
2. The mark “M” in Infinite Campus will be used to document an assessment that hasn’t been submitted by the deadline and will be calculated as a 0% due to *no evidence*.
 - a. Once late work has been submitted, the “M” will be replaced with a score reflecting the student’s academic performance level.
 - b. The deadline to submit late work is two days before the make-up reassessment date decided by the teacher.



Reassessment Policy

1. Requests must be submitted within 5 school days from the “passback” date.
2. It is expected that all missing formative assignments are submitted prior to attempting to retake a summative assessment.
3. Teachers will provide/require additional studying, assignments, or instruction to prepare for the reassessment and will be available to assist students during office hours or by appointment.
4. ***Each summative assessment will be administered a maximum of twice.***
5. Students will ***receive the highest score*** of the two assessments.
6. ***All assessment opportunities will conclude one week before the end of the quarter.***

Missed Performance Policy:

Students that miss a performance have 5 days after the performance date to complete an alternate assignment to receive a grade. Alternative assignment is based on the performance missed, and will include a performance based alternative assignment that can be recorded, in-person or in writing. Absences may not be excused, it is based on teacher discretion and communication in advance with parents or guardians.

Performances are a required part of this class, so attendance at every performance is required. Only under extreme circumstances will a student be excused from performance attendance, and it is at the teacher's discretion to excuse an absence from a performance. If a student is absent, s/he will receive a "missing" grade for the attendance portion of the performance. A make-up assignment can be provided for any student not in attendance and must be completed within 5 days of the performance.



Explanation of grades

Grading Scale		
Grade	Percentage	Explanation
A	90% - 100%	Exceeds standards
B	80% - 89%	Meets standards
C	70% - 79%	Partially meets standards
D	60% - 69%	Minimally meets standards
F	0% - 59%	Does not meet standards
Min F	50%	Does not meet standards; “earned” percentages < 50% or did not attempt
NM		To be used by the registrar only

*Parents and students can monitor their academic progress by accessing Infinite Campus online at <http://knudsonms.org>.

Course Materials

- Black Folklorico Shoes / Botines
- Chromebook
- Hair Ties
- Bobby Pins
- Hairspray
- Bloomers (black shorts)
- Undershirt (skin color)
- White button up long sleeve collar shirt (Boys)
- Makeup (Brown Eyeshadow pallet)



Citizenship/Behavior Expectations and Grade

- a. Citizenship grades reflect class behavior, cooperation, ability to work with peers, and attitudes. Begin by reviewing the criteria for Outstanding Citizenship. To earn an 'O,' the student must meet at least 3 criteria for that level. If not, they move to the satisfactory level. Again, in order to earn an 'S,' the student must meet at least 3 criteria for that level. Continue for 'N,' and 'U'. Below is the school-wide citizenship rubric used to determine student behavior and performance.

Citizenship Rubric

Outstanding	Satisfactory	Needs Improvement	Unsatisfactory
Consistently on time (0-1 tardy)	Usually on time (2-3 tardies)	Inconsistently on time to class (4-5 tardies)	Consistently late to class (6 or more tardies)
Consistently brings all necessary materials and is consistently prepared (iPad not charged 0-1 times)	Usually brings all necessary materials and is usually prepared (iPad not charged 2-3 times)	Inconsistently brings necessary materials and is inconsistently prepared (iPad not charged 4-5 times)	Consistently unprepared (iPad not charged 6 or more times)
Consistently takes initiative and participates actively in learning	Usually takes initiative and participates actively in learning	Sometimes participates actively in learning	Has to be reminded to get started
Consistently participates by asking questions or contributing to the lesson	Usually participates by asking questions or contributing to the lesson	Inconsistently participates in classroom activities/discussions	Does not actively participate in classroom activities/discussions
Consistently on-task, listens and follows directions with respect	Usually on-task, listens and follows directions with respect	Inconsistently on-task, listens and follows directions. Needs consistent reminding.	Frequently distracted and distracts others in class
Consistently treats teachers and classmates in a respectful and caring way. Consistently encourages and helps others	Usually treats teachers and classmates in a respectful and caring way. May need a reminder	Inconsistently treats teachers and classmates in a respectful and caring way. May need a reminder	Treats teachers or classmates in a negative way through tone of voice or with put-downs or refusals
Consistently shows respect for self or others	Usually shows respect for self or others	Inconsistently shows respect for self or others	Frequently causes problems for self or others



KO STANDARD PRACTICES

PRIDE

Positive Choices: Making Choices that show pride in yourself and your school.

Respect: Treating people, places, and things with kindness.

Integrity: Doing the right thing, because it is the right thing to do.

Determination: Motivating yourself to overcome challenges to meet your goals.

Effort: Being committed to doing your best

LATE WORK POLICY

The deadline to submit late work is two days before the summative reassessment date. Students who chronically submit late work may be referred to the Student Success Office.

GRADE WEIGHTS

20% Formative

80% Summative

Grades will be entered into Canvas and automatically uploaded to Infinite Campus. Students are expected to check Infinite Campus weekly.

GRADING SCALE

A 90-100% Excellent

B 80-89% Above Average

C 70-79% Average

D 60-69% Below Average

F 50-59% Emergent

P Passing (for specific courses)

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	Outstanding	Satisfactory	Needs Improvement	Unsatisfactory
Timeliness	Consistently on time (0-1 tardy)	Usually on time (2-3 tardies)	Inconsistently on time to class (4-5 tardies)	Consistently late to class (6 or more tardies)
Preparedness	Consistently brings all necessary materials and is consistently prepared (iPad not charged 0-1 times)	Usually brings all necessary materials and is usually prepared (iPad not charged 2-3 times)	Inconsistently brings necessary materials and is inconsistently prepared (iPad not charged 4-5 times)	Consistently unprepared regularly does not bring necessary materials to class.
Effort	Consistently takes initiative and participates actively in learning	Usually takes initiative and participates actively in learning	Sometimes participates actively in learning	Has to be directed to get started
Participation	Consistently participates by asking questions or contributing to the lesson	Usually on task, listens and follows directions with respect	Inconsistently on task, listens and follows directions. Needs consistent reminding.	Frequently distracted and distracts others in class
On-task	Consistently on task, listens and follows directions with respect	Usually treats teachers and classmates in a respectful and caring way. May need a reminder	Inconsistently treats teachers and classmates in a respectful and caring way. May need a Reminder	Treats teachers or classmates in a negative way through tone of voice or with put-downs or refusals.
Respect	Consistently shows respect for self or others	Usually shows respect for self or others	Inconsistently shows respect for self or others	Frequently causes problems for self or others

SUMMATIVE RETAKES

Requests must be submitted within five days of initial "passback". Summative assessments are eligible for retake only if all formative work has been submitted.

SEMESTER BREAKDOWN:

Quarter 1 50%

Quarter 2 50%

(There will not be any semester exams given at the middle school level, unless students are enrolled in a High School Credit Class ie Algebra 1)