

CHOREOGRAPHY/TECHNIQUE 1,2 (5926, 5927)
PHYSICAL EDUCATION: SITE-ADOPTED COURSE

Grades 9–11 (P). Prerequisites: Theatre Dance 1, 2 or equivalent; and Ballet 1–2 or Modern Dance 1–2; and teacher recommendation. **Note:** This course is a prerequisite for all advanced dance and dance-production courses. Therefore, any student who plans on pursuing dance beyond the intermediate level (3–4 sequence courses) must take this course.

This two-semester course delves into the creative component of dance, exploring the use of mind and spirit as they relate to expression through movement. Students explore the choreographic process while improving their technical skills in modern dance and ballet.

Credit for this course counts toward the physical education credits required for high school graduation.

Approved site: San Diego School of Creative and Performing Arts.



DANCE FORMS 6TH–8TH (5920)
PHYSICAL EDUCATION: SITE-ADOPTED COURSE

Grades 6–8. Note: This course also is described in the Visual and Performing Arts dance section of courses.

This yearlong course introduces students in grades 6–8 to ballet, jazz, modern, and multicultural dance forms from Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean. The course is designed to raise academic achievement through increasing student's self-esteem through school performance opportunities, and to promote intercultural communication among an ethnically diverse student body. Students are introduced to health and safety issues, strength, flexibility and coordination for physical education purposes.

Approved site: SCPA Middle School.



DANCES OF THE EMERALD ISLE 6–8 (5939)
DANCES OF THE EMERALD ISLE 1,2 (5948, 5949)
PHYSICAL EDUCATION: SITE-ADOPTED COURSES

Grades 6–8 (5939); 9–12 (5948, 5949). These grade-level-specific courses introduce students to the variety of forms comprising Irish dance. Skills specific to Irish step dancing are taught, as well as basic elements of partnering and social dancing. These classes are part of an enrichment strand of courses created by the dance department at the San Diego School of Creative and Performing Arts to accommodate students from other curriculum areas who wish to take part a dance class.

Credit for the high school version of the course (5948, 5949) counts toward the physical education credits required for high school graduation.

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DANCES OF MEXICO AND SPAIN 6–8 (5938)
DANCES OF MEXICO AND SPAIN (5958)
PHYSICAL EDUCATION: SITE-ADOPTED COURSES

Grades 6–8 (5938); 9–12 (5958). **Prerequisites:** Audition or teacher recommendation, and successful completion of a dance-emphasis course.

Students are introduced to the regional and classical dance forms of Mexico and Spain and learn how to perform a variety of dances from the two countries. Stretch, strength, and aerobic activity for physical fitness are improved as a result of participating in course activities.

Credit for the high school version of the course (5958) counts toward the elective credits required for high school graduation.

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SHOW CHOIR (5368)
VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS: SITE-ADOPTED COURSE

Grades 9–12. **Prerequisites:** Selection by teacher based on audition; ability to participate in after-school rehearsals and performances. **Note:** Although this course has been assigned numbers from the Visual and Performing Arts music sequence of courses, it earns physical education graduation credit.

This course provides instruction in the basic principles of show-choir performance, including singing and dancing. Students perform a wide variety of choral literature in three and four parts, demonstrating proper voice production, phrasing, intonation and advanced techniques of ensemble singing. Students demonstrate an advanced level of musicianship by employing complex rhythm structures in diverse meters, and by recognizing, reading and accurately performing complex musical notations and terminology.

Credit for this course counts toward the physical education credits required for high school graduation.

Approved site: Madison High School.

