

# Anne Arundel County Dance Festival Adjudication Criteria

## **GUIDELINES FOR ADJUDICATORS**

*Following the Dance Festival Program Order:*

- *Insert cassette with school name.*
- *State the name of the school performing and the title of the dance.*
- *Give both positive and constructive criticism for each piece using the criteria listed.*

### **PROJECTION/FOCUS**

- Facial Expression
- Movement Dynamics
- Emotion
- Energy Level
- Connecting with Audience
- Staying in Character

### **MUSICALITY**

- Timing
- Rhythm
- Unison

### **CHOREOGRAPHY**

- Creativity
- Choreographic Intent
- Staging
- Spacing
- Dynamics
- Flow
- Transitions
- Entrances/Exits
- Props
- Music
- Movement (creative, appropriate, goes with music)
- Appropriate for technical level of dancers
- Appropriate for age of dancers

### **TECHNIQUE OF DANCERS**

- Precision
- Spatial Awareness
- Alignment
- Feet
- Arms
- Style
- Unison
- Accuracy
- Strength
- Control

### **OVERALL**

- Costume
- Entertainment Value
- Difficulty
- Dynamics
- Well-rehearsed
- Appropriate for all-ages audience

### **NOTES:**

- *Teachers will listen to your comments and decide whether to share them with the dancers and choreographers. Please be forthright – we know your comments are aimed at helping us improve.*
- *Thank you very much for giving your time and expertise to our dance program!*