



Crofton High School
Dance Program

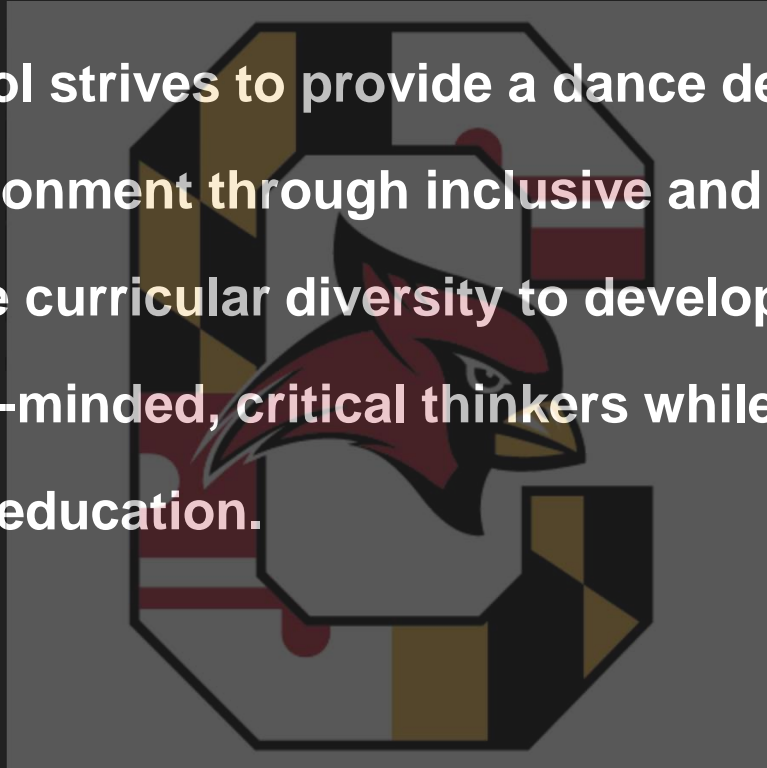
AACPS Dance Mission

All AACPS dance courses are offered on an elective basis for Fine Arts credit, Physical Education credit or General Elective credit based on the student's academic needs. Dance courses include study in the major areas of dance—technique, history, creating original dance movement, the choreographic process, aesthetic criticism, and performance.

The National Core Arts Standards and the Maryland State Dance Standards are the basis for the high school dance curriculum. Creative thinking, expression through movement, and appreciation for the art form are integral parts of the program. All Dance students perform in semester dance concerts. Students learn to appreciate dance as an art and as a valuable aspect of life, become a knowledgeable arts audience, and have opportunities to work cooperatively to create and produce dances.

Crofton High School Dance Vision

Crofton High School strives to provide a dance department that fosters a safe environment through inclusive and equitable practices. We value curricular diversity to develop the whole artist by promoting open-minded, critical thinkers while advocating for inclusion in dance education.



Dance Courses in AACPS



Foundations of Dance I - beginner through advanced interested in dance

Dance II-IV - beginner through advanced interested in dance

Dance for Athletes I-IV - students interested in using dance techniques to enhance athletic performance

Honors Dance Company Class - for serious dance students who are selected by audition. Dance Company is co-curricular. Students have both an academic class and an after school rehearsal and performance obligation in order to receive honors credit.

Unified Dance and Leadership - students with and without disabilities to focus on beginning levels of dance technique and creative movement in a collaborative and cooperative environment. Students will explore leadership characteristics in an inclusive environment.



Courses offered at CHS:

Year 1

Foundations of Dance I

Dance II-IV

Honors Dance Company

Dance for Athletes



Year 2 - Projected

Foundations of Dance I

Dance II-IV

Honors Dance Company

Dance for Athletes

Unified Dance and Leadership



About Mrs. Sherman, Dance Teacher at CHS

BA in Dance from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro

MFA in Dance from The Ohio State University

Also studied at Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts

STOTT Pilates Certified Instructor

Has taught dance in AACPS for 7 years, 2 years in another state

Previous experience as an adjunct instructor, professional dancer and choreographer prior to secondary education

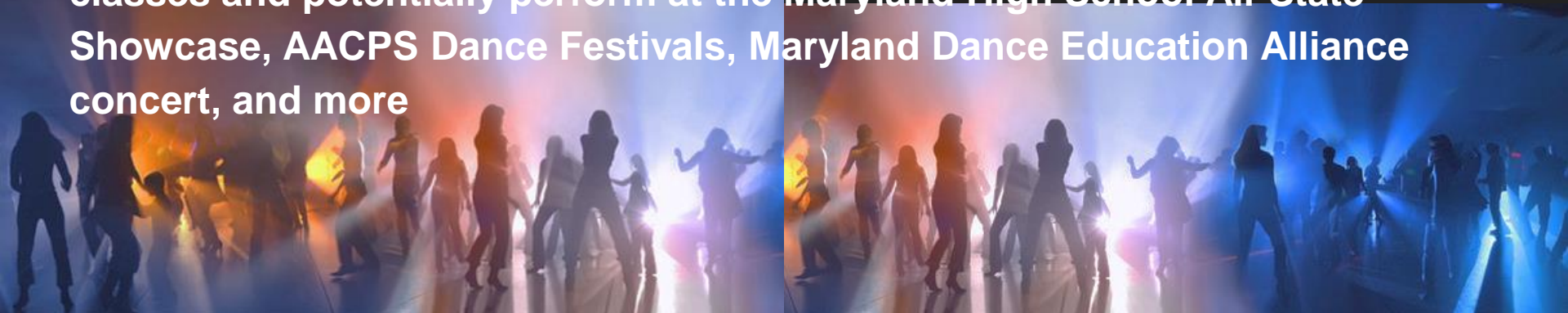
Dance Events

Annual Winter and Spring Dance Concerts

Any student enrolled in a dance class will perform in the dance concert

All tickets for Dance Concerts can be purchased online with TutuTix

Dance Company members will have additional opportunities to take master classes and potentially perform at the Maryland High School All-State Showcase, AACPS Dance Festivals, Maryland Dance Education Alliance concert, and more



Crofton Community Partnerships

- Establish relationships with feeder programs
- Build relationships with local media and businesses
- Contribute to our local community through service
- Communicate information through a website and social media presence



Year at-a-Glance 2020-2021

Back to School Night *(TBD)*

Guardian/Family Meeting for Dance Company members *(TBD)*

Winter Dance Concert *(TBD)*

All-State Showcase for Dance Company *(TBD)*

AACPS Dance Festivals for Dance Company Members *(TBD)*

Maryland Dance Education Alliance concert *(TBD)*

Spring Dance Concert *(TBD)*



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