

# ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL

## DANCE

### *Dance Pathway:*

The Professional Dance courses train students in the fundamentals of dance within multiple genres and will explore what it takes to work and perform in a professional dance company. Students will learn, rehearse and perform routines for school dance productions each semester. Integrated throughout the course are Career Preparation Standards, which include basic academic skills, communication, interpersonal skills, problem solving, workplace safety, technology and employment literacy. This class is designed to teach stretching and across the floor movement while incorporating ballet, jazz and hip hop steps and sequences. Don't worry, no previous dance training is required for Professional Dance I.

**“DO YOU LIKE TO DANCE?  
LOOKING TO TRY SOMETHING  
NEW? NEED A CREATIVE  
OUTLET? THE DANCE  
PATHWAY AT ORANGE HIGH  
SCHOOL IS THE PLACE FOR  
YOU!”**

*- Ms. Maggi*

**To sign up for a Dance course, contact  
your OHS counselor!**

### *Pathway Teacher:*

Katelyn Maggi was born and raised in Orange County and was very involved in the arts throughout her educational experience. She majored in Vocal Performance at San Diego Christian College and from there went to New York University to get her Masters degree in Performance Studies.

While in New York, Ms. Maggi studied under Bob Fosse's dance captain, Jeff Shade (Broadway: Sweet Charity, Chicago) and was Kathryn Mowat Murphy's (Broadway: Pal Joey, Fosse) assistant for her classes at Steps on Broadway. Some of her favorite shows she has been cast in includes 42nd Street and Hello Dolly!. Ms. Maggi believes that the discipline of dance can infiltrate into many different areas of a student's life and hopes to leave her students inspired to always dance full out.



For more information contact Dance Pathway teacher Ms. Maggi, [kmaggi@orangeusd.org](mailto:kmaggi@orangeusd.org)

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### *Sample Four-Year Plan:*

This represents a sample four-year plan sequencing the classes offered in our Dance Pathway. Students must complete a level (02) and (03) course to be a pathway completer and earn a tassel to wear at graduation. Students should work closely with their counselor to incorporate appropriate honors, and AP courses as well as other graduation and A-G required courses.

Course Type	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
Dance	Professional Dance I (01)	Professional Dance II (02)	Professional Dance III (03)	Art of Dance Composition (03)
A-G Approval				F Visual and Performing Arts

### *Course Descriptions:*

**Professional Dance I:** The class introduces the styles and technique of Ballet, Jazz, Musical Theatre, Modern, Contemporary and Hip Hop. Students will develop body/space awareness as it relates to stage/choreographic design. They will begin to understand music in relation to time, space and energy while developing choreographic skills.

**Professional Dance II :** Students continue to perfect their dance techniques in a variety of disciplines while building choreographic and production skills. (Available starting Fall 2021)

**Professional Dance III (Audition Only):** This is an audition only class that allows students to study techniques learned in Professional Dance I & II at an advanced level. Dancers will train in specific techniques such as Giordano and Graham while studying choreography from masters such as Ailey, Cunningham and Fosse. Performance in showcases is a requirement at this level. (Available starting Fall 2022)

**Art of Dance Composition - The Company (Audition Only):** This is an audition only class that allows students to experience what it is like to be a professional dance company. The class will focus on developing new works through studying the elements of choreography as well as learning set pieces from history. Performance in showcases and other school related events is a requirement at this level. (Available starting Fall 2023)