

DANCE PROFILE

"I do not try to dance better than anyone else. I only try to dance better than myself."

- Mikhail Baryshnikov



This profile is intended for motivated students who are interested in the study of dance. Students will develop their dance skills and learn the dance language by communicating through movement. **Student learning includes creating and performing dance, as well as the development of an aesthetic appreciation of dance by participating in dance class, rehearsals and performances outside of dance class.**

Dance profile students will explore a variety of dances, such as **hip hop (popping, locking, tutting, etc.) and ballet jazz**, while also creating their own types of choreographies. Critiquing dance videos and finding inspiration from current dance structures also make up the dance profile.

Students will also be expected to research dance currents through history and reflect on the evolution of dance in media. They will also reflect on their own improvement, identifying their strengths and limitations. Emphasis will be placed on individual development, originality and problem solving.

Students will be evaluated on the specific competencies set out by the MELS:

1. Creation and Performance
2. Appreciation

A passion and an open-minded attitude are important for students interested in this profile.

Where: St. Patrick's High School

Transportation: N/A

When: 4 times per 10-day cycle from 8:40 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.