



BASIC INFORMATION

Please read the following information in order to proceed with your audition.

Simi Valley High School Dance Team is excited to have you audition for the next school year! In an effort to make sure that we are utilizing all students signed up for the class in a way that best showcases their skills, we are holding auditions. SVHS Dance Team is looking for students who are passionate about dance and choreography, have a background in dance experience and technical training, or have a desire to perform and showcase their art at SVHS events and activities. Please read the information below before you decide to audition.

CLASS INFORMATION:

- For the Dance 4 class students will be broken into the following sub-teams:
 - o Hip-Hop Crew – MAROON & GOLD
 - o Tap Team – MAROON & GOLD
 - o Lyrical/Contemporary Company – MAROON & GOLD
 - o Jazz/Musical Theater Production – MAROON & GOLD
- Dance 1 and Dance 2 will include various styles, but not be broken into groups

CLASS BREAKDOWN/LEVEL DESCRIPTIONS:

DANCE 1

This class is for students to train, increase their technique, and gain exposure to all styles of dance. Students in dance 1 will learn ballet, tap, jazz, lyrical, and hip hop. They will be trained in basic dance technique and advance their ability to learn various styles of choreography. These students will perform in all SVHS Dance Team showcases. Students from Dance 4 will assist in teaching these classes in an effort to provide smaller-group training.

DANCE 2

This class is for students to continue their training, build on their technique, and get the chance to do more performances and choreography. Students in dance 2 will further their training in hip hop, and select small groups to work on selected styles of dance. These students will perform in one football game, possible school activities, and all SVHS Dance Team showcases. Students from Dance 4 will assist in teaching these classes in an effort to provide smaller-group training.

DANCE 3

This class is for students to work on more advanced levels of dance. Dance 3 students will be broken into the following sub-teams:

- o Hip-Hop Crew
- o Tap Team
- o Lyrical/Contemporary Company
- o Jazz/Musical Theater Production

Students in Dance 3 will work on their own choreography, work with outside choreography, or work on choreography with Mrs. Horn. Dance 3 students will perform at 2 football games, SELECTED SVHS school activities, and all SVHS Dance Team showcases.

DANCE 4 (PERIOD 0)

This class is for students to work on more elite levels of dance. Dance 4 students will be broken into the following sub-teams:

- o Hip-Hop Crew – MAROON & GOLD
- o Tap Team – MAROON & GOLD
- o Lyrical/Contemporary Company – MAROON & GOLD
- o Jazz/Musical Theater Production – MAROON & GOLD

Students in Dance 4 will work on their own choreography, work with outside choreography, or work on choreography with Mrs. Horn. Dance 4 students will perform at ALL football games, various SVHS school activities, and all SVHS Dance Team showcases.

OTHER INFORMATION FOR ALL LEVELS:

- MOST routines will be student-choreographed
- Potential for outside guest choreographers
- Some choreography done by Mrs. Horn
- Music, routines, and performances will be approved by Mrs. Horn
- Please understand that costumes and other attire are not provided by the school. These items will not be required, and payment for these items will be donation only.

- You will be registered for a zero period class (before 1st period, usually 7 AM), a first period class, both, or potentially 2nd or 3rd period. This may require that you take summer school. Please check with your counselor to be sure you have room in your schedule. Your participation in other sports & activities also may prohibit your ability to be scheduled in your appropriate dance team class.

- Although most practices will take place during your class period, some weeks may require extra rehearsals. These will be scheduled with the teams and Mrs. Horn on an as-needed basis.

- Please note that we will also hold fundraisers throughout the year to help with potential costs.

- A suggested donation of \$300 will be asked of each dance team member in the beginning of the school year. This donation can be made in ASB using cash or card (with a small processing fee) ONLY. Dance team members may also get sponsorships to help contribute. This money will be spent on items that benefit the team throughout the year. We will also do an online donation-based fundraiser in the beginning of the year to cover annual costs.
- Most of our football season choreography will be learned at our Dance Team Camp in early August.

- Participation and attendance is mandatory – this is how students will earn their grade in the class.

AUDITIONS

- Broken up by style, students only attend the audition for the style of dance they are interested in. If you are hoping to be placed in Dance 3 or 4, you MUST audition for hip hop, in addition to any other style you wish to participate.
- Students will be taught a piece of choreography to learn at the time of the auditions. Students will be broken in to groups to perform combinations. Placements will be made based off of performance, effort, technical skills, & style.

- Anyone wishing to be in ANY level of dance ABOVE DANCE 1 MUST audition for class placement. Currently, auditions will be held in small groups on June 5 & 6, with the results posted no later than June 10. Details of audition groups and times will be announced on Instagram and the dance team website.

- If you are interested in dance but have little to no experience, you can select the option to be in DANCE 1 on your application. Selecting DANCE 1 means you do not have to attend auditions. Please understand that you could still be placed in dance 1 after your audition.

- If you are CURRENTLY in DANCE 2 and would like to stay in that level, you can select to stay in the class on your application. This option will not require an audition. If you do audition, please understand that you could still be placed in DANCE 2, based on numbers and your performance.

- If you are CURRENTLY in DANCE 3 and would like to stay in that level, you can select to stay in the class on your application. This option will not require an audition. If you do audition, please understand that you could still be placed in DANCE 3, based on numbers and your performance.

- After the application closes, you will be emailed your individual date and time for auditions.

AUDITION SCHEDULE

Auditions are in the SVHS gym

You must check in when you arrive to get your number

MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2023	
Tap Audition	8:30 AM – 9:30 AM
Jazz Audition	9:30 AM – 11:15 AM

TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2023	
Lyrical/Contemporary Audition	8:30 AM – 9:45AM
Hip Hop Audition (Required for Dance 3 & 4)	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

You only need to attend the auditions in the style(s) you wish to participate. Must wear all black, have hair out of your face, & appropriate shoes.



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TENTATIVE PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE 2023 - 2024		
DATE	EVENT	DETAILS
July 31 - August 5	DANCE CAMP	For all levels of dance Schedule TBD Dance 4: all days Dance 3: 3 - 5 days Dance 1 & 2: 2-3 days
August 10	First day of school	No zero period, all other classes meet
August 11 - September 11	SnapRaise Fundraiser	All classes participate, online
August 18	First home football game	Dance 4 only
August 25	Home FB game	Dance 3 & 4
September 1	Home FB Game (Royal)	Dance 4
September 8	Home FB Game	Dance 4
September 29	Homecoming Rally & Football Game	Dance 4 (only dancing in rally)
October 13	Home FB Game	Dance 2, 3, & 4
November 20 - 24	Thanksgiving Break	No activities
December 15 (1:00 - 7:00 pm) & 16	MANDATORY Winter Dance Team rehearsal & Showcase	2:00 PM and 7:00 PM Show All classes TENTATIVE PLEASE GIVE DATES TO STUDIO OWNERS NOW SO THEY CAN PLAN ACCORDINGLY!

		FAILURE TO PARTICIPATE WILL DROP YOUR GRADE 2 LEVELS!
December 21 - Jan 9	Winter Break	No activities
January, 2024 January 27, 2024*	Various Basketball Games POSSIBLE competition @ Newbury Park HS	Dance 4 Dance 4 - selected groups only
February, 2024 February 10, 2024*	Winter Rally, Open House POSSIBLE competition @ Agoura HS	Dance 4 (rally) All levels - Open House Dance 4 - selected groups only
March, 2024	Spring Rally	Dance 4
April, 2024	Various rehearsals for showcase	All levels
April 5, 2024	Parent Meeting	For new year, 23/24
May 4, 2024	Application Deadline for 23/24	Fill out online
May 17, 2024	Dress rehearsal for Spring Showcase	All levels
May 18, 2024	MANDATORY Showcase	2:00 & 7:00 PM Shows All classes PLEASE GIVE DATES TO STUDIO OWNERS NOW SO THEY CAN PLAN ACCORDINGLY! FAILURE TO PARTICIPATE WILL DROP YOUR GRADE 2 LEVELS!
June 10 & 11, 2024	Auditions for 24/25	Times TBD
July 30 - August 4, 2024	Dance Camp	Times TBD

*We will only be doing ONE of these competitions - NOT BOTH. A decision will be made in the beginning of the school year.