



TPHS DANCE CO.

Audition Packets

**TORREY PINES DANCE TEAMS
INTERMEDIATE AND ADVANCED DANCE**

2024-2025



TPHS DANCE COMPANY

Torrey Pines Dance Teams: Contemporary and Hip Hop Teams
Intermediate and Advanced Dance Classes

Audition Packet 2024-2025

CONTEMPORARY AUDITION: May 20th & 21st/3:45 - 6:45

HIP HOP AUDITION: May 22nd & 23rd/3:45 - 6:45

Audition Packets Due: May 3rd by 3:30 pm

Dear Students,

Thank you for your interest in joining the Torrey Pines High School Dance Team and Co. I am excited to include students of all levels and give every student the opportunity to dance and perform! During the 2024-2025 school year, the **TPHS Dance Company** will include the following programs:

- Junior Varsity and Varsity **Contemporary PERFORMANCE and COMPETITION** Teams*
- Junior Varsity and Varsity **Hip Hop PERFORMANCE** Teams*
- Junior Varsity and Varsity **Hip Hop COMPETITION** Teams (separate from Performance teams and will be chosen at a later date in the Fall. A dancer must be a member of the Hip Hop Performance Teams to be considered.)
- **Intermediate and Advanced Dance Classes** (audition or teacher approval)
- **Dance PE** (no audition required to enroll in Dance PE)

****If selected as a team member of the Torrey Pines Dance Team, you agree to enroll in Intermediate Dance or Advanced Dance for your physical education class for two years.***

TPHS Dance Company Attendance Expectations

- Attendance is important to the TPHS Dance Company's continued success. If you are a member of TPDT, Intermediate or Advanced Dance Classes, students are expected to be at ALL rehearsals, scheduled school performances, dance team events, competitions, and team bonding events.
- Please arrange personal activities such as travel, doctor appointments, student's work schedule, driver's tests, and other outside activities so as not to disturb the TPHS Dance Company schedule.
- If you have committed to be a part of your dance studios' competitive team, please thoroughly communicate the TPHS Dance Company calendar/schedule as early as possible with your dance studio in order to avoid conflicts between the two organizations.

Audition Registration and Application Process

Placement on the dance teams and/or dance classes will be determined through an audition process that evaluates abilities in either contemporary, hip hop or both. To audition for a dance team and/or dance class:

1. **Fill out the online [2024-2025 TPDT Audition Registration Google Form](#)**
2. **PRINT and fill out the TPHS Dance Company Application** in this audition packet **for EACH team or class** you would like to audition for. We have different coaches for Hip Hop and Contemporary, and the coaches each need paper copies.
3. **PRINT and give the Teacher Recommendation Form** to TWO teachers
4. **SUBMIT** your audition forms to the Torrey Pines administration office or the TPHS dance room **no later than May 3rd by 3:30 pm**. Label your envelope with: **TPDT Audition Packet, Attn: Sarah Kaye**
5. Auditions will be held during the week of May 20th - 23rd, 3:45 to 6:45 p.m.
6. **ATTEND the Parent/Dancer Welcome Meeting on May 29th, 7:00 pm** in the TPHS Lecture Hall

Stay up to date by visiting our websites and Instagram account:

TPDT Website: <https://sites.google.com/tphsfoundation.org/tpdt>

TPHS Dance Company Website:

<https://sites.google.com/sduhsd.net/tphs-dance/sarah-kaye>

Instagram: @torreypinesdanceteam

Please contact me with any questions. Thank you and good luck!

Sarah Kaye

Director, TPHS Dance Company

Sarah.Kaye@sduhsd.net

CONTEMPORARY AUDITION INFO (Page 1)

Participation in TPDT Contemporary Performance and Competition Team (Varsity or JV) is a significant commitment. You are expected to be at all performances and competitions required of your coach. The contemporary competition teams will compete in (2-3) regional events, and Varsity groups will continue to (1) national events. Contemporary Teams may include: large, medium and/or small size groups. Teams will also perform with the TPHS Dance Company during fall, winter and spring performances in our Proscenium Theatre. Schedule of competitions and performances will be announced at the **parent welcome meeting on May 29th, 7:00 pm in the Lecture Hall at TPHS**. Thanks and good luck!

COACHES:

VARSITY HEAD COACH: TARUA HALL - taruahalltpdt@gmail.com

JV HEAD COACH: GABBY DUREN - gduren2722@gmail.com

AFTER SCHOOL TEAM PRACTICE:

JV Contemporary: Mondays 3:45-6:30 PM

Varsity Contemporary: Tuesdays 3:45-6:30 PM

OUTSIDE TRAINING:

It is strongly encouraged to regularly attend outside training throughout the year in ballet, jazz and contemporary dance genres to compete at this level.

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY:

All dancers must maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA to participate.

CONTEMPORARY AUDITION INFO (Page 2)

CONTEMPORARY SUMMER TRAINING

Tricks Turns, Flexibility and Conditioning Training (JV & Varsity): July 20-21 - 9:30-11:30 am

Varsity Summer Training: July 21 (11:30 am - 2:30 pm); July 22-28 (9:30 am - 2:30 pm includes weekend)

JV Summer Training: July 21-28 (3:00 pm - 8:30 pm includes weekend)

It is encouraged that all members of the JV and Varsity Contemporary Dance Team attend summer training. If you make the team and cannot participate in summer training, we will have understudies and will place you in the dance when you learn the choreography.

The Contemporary Auditions will take place in the TPHS Dance Studio (M502)

May 3rd - Audition Packets Due by 3:30 pm

May 20th - In-person Auditions (3:45-6:45 pm) at TPHS dance studio

May 21st - Call-backs (3:45-6:45 pm) at TPHS dance studio are for dancers selected by whom coaches would like to see again to make final scoring decisions. You will be notified if you need to attend. Please be on "stand-by".

AUDITION FORMAT & TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

Dancers will be taught an audition piece and will then be called in groups to perform in front of judges. Dancers will audition with assigned numbers and scores will be given to those numbers only. Dancers are judged by their mastery of technique, showmanship, confidence, style and creative choices. Audition scores will remain confidential. The audition will be conducted at the judges', coaches' and Ms. Kaye's discretion with the sole intent of selecting dancers for the appropriate team. ALL dancers must audition for team placement annually.

ATTIRE FOR AUDITION AND CALL-BACKS:

Boys: Black dance or black workout clothing. Dance shoes optional. No gum.

Girls: Black leggings and leotards. Shoes: half soles or paws. Hair must be pulled into a bun. No jewelry. No gum.

The judges' decisions are FINAL and may not be appealed.

The 2024-2025 Contemporary Dance Team Rosters will be posted

May 28th @ [TPDT website](#)

Stay tuned for updates on [TPDT Instagram](#),

[TPDT website](#) and [TPHS Dance Company](#)

HIP HOP AUDITION INFO (Page 1)

Participation on a TPDT Hip Hop Team is a significant commitment. You are expected to be at all performances and competitions required of your coach.

HIP HOP PERFORMANCE TEAM - JV & VARSITY

During the 2024-2025 Football Season we will have JV and Varsity Hip Hop Performance Teams. Performance Teams will perform at every Friday home football game. These teams will also participate in the TPHS Dance Company fall and winter performances in our Proscenium Theatre and may perform in pep rallies.

HIP HOP COMPETITION TEAM - JV & VARSITY (Optional)

The 2024-2025 Hip Hop Competition Teams are OPTIONAL teams and dancers will re-audition in the Fall. These teams will be chosen from the hip hop performance team rosters. Competition teams may include: large, medium and/or small size groups.

**Being on the Hip Hop Performance Team does not guarantee a spot on the competition team.*

The competition teams will compete in (2-3) regional events and (1) national event (Varsity groups only). Competition teams also participate with the TPHS Dance Company during fall, winter and spring performances in our Proscenium Theatre and may perform at pep rallies. Schedule of competitions and performances will be announced **at the parent welcome meeting on May 29th, 7:00 pm in the Lecture Hall at TPHS**. Thanks and good luck!

JV/VARSITY CO-COACHES:

FRANCIS FLORENDO - francisflorendotpdt@gmail.com

KAYLAR PREITE - kaylarpreite@gmail.com

AFTER SCHOOL TEAM PRACTICE

Varsity Hip Hop: "Student Connection" Wednesdays 3:15-6:30 pm; "Collaboration" Wednesdays 2:45-5:30 pm

JV Hip Hop: Thursdays 3:45-6:45 pm

Extra Teams: Fridays (time TBD)

OUTSIDE TRAINING - It is strongly encouraged to regularly attend outside training throughout the year in hip hop.

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY: All dancers must maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA to participate.

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HIP HOP SUMMER TRAININGS

Jul 18th - WCE Hip Hop Experience (*optional*)

Jul 29th - Aug 12th - TPDT Hip Hop Summer Training

Detailed schedule and times will be communicated during the summer.

It is highly encouraged that you attend summer training! At summer training, you'll learn game dances that will be performed during half-time at the TPHS football games. You will meet other dancers on the team, receive top quality training and have a blast.

**If you are unable to be at summer training, this can affect your placement in blocking.*

WCE HIP HOP EXPERIENCE DANCE

ONE DAY CAMP: JULY 18, 2024

Great for high school dance teams, all male teams, co-ed teams, high school dance crews and individuals.

- Take home 3 hip hop routines your dancers will love!
- Opportunity to train with industry leaders in Hip Hop Dance!
- For all levels of teams and dancers!

BURBANK MARRIOTT
2500 N Hollywood Way, Burbank, CA 91505
PRICE: \$99 per dancer

SAMPLE SCHEDULE

9:30-10:00	Registration
10:00-11:30	Master class
11:30-12:30	Routine A
12:30-1:30	Lunch
1:30-2:30	Routine B
2:30-3:30	Routine C
3:30-4:00	Team rehearsal
4:15pm ~	Closing show

ALL STAR FACULTY

Tobias Elshammer, Ade Obayemi, Nisha Gabriel, Francis Florendo

Register Now: WestCoastEliteDance.com

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CALL-BACKS - ATTIRE:

Show us your style! Tennis Shoes. No gum.

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TPHS DANCE CO. APPLICATION (Page 1)

You may use the "Fill & Sign" feature in Adobe Acrobat Reader to fill out this application.

2024-2025

Application Includes:

- Completed Application
- Current Photo (simple headshot- 4" x 6" size photo)
- Teacher Recommendation Form Printed and Given to Two Teachers
- Copy of Most Recent Grades

Please indicate which sections you are auditioning for and make copies for each team(include copies of photo, grades and application.

JV/Varsity Hip Hop Football Performance Teams (competition groups will re-audition in the Fall) ****Being on the performance group does not guarantee placement on a competition team.*

JV/Varsity Contemporary Performance & Competition Teams

Intermediate or Advanced Dance Classes

PLEASE MAKE COPIES FOR EACH SECTION YOU ARE AUDITIONING FOR (e.g. if you are auditioning for contemporary team, hip hop team and intermediate or advanced dance class, please submit 3 copies of your application)

Please fill out the Google Form [TPDT Registration Audition Form](#) **IN ADDITION** to this hardcopy application

Dancer's Name (First and Last): _____

Dancer's Personal Email (not school): _____

Dancer's Personal Cell: _____

Incoming Grade Level (9/10/11/12): _____ GPA _____

Birthdate (mm/dd/yr): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Cell: _____

Will you be involved in PALS, ASB, Yearbook, Theatre, Music or other Sports Teams throughout the 2024-2025 school year? Please list:

Will you be competing with another dance team outside of TPHS? Which team?

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Dance Years & Experience

Hip-Hop:

Ballet:

Jazz:

Lyrical:

Contemporary:

Modern:

Where do you currently train? _____

How many classes a week? _____

Why do you want to join the Torrey Pines Dance Team? _____

Do you have any injuries we should know about? _____

I agree that the director and judges will select the Torrey Pines Dance Company, which includes TPDT Dance Teams, TPDT Competition Teams and Intermediate or Advanced Dance Class placement. I will respect the decision of the director and judges as final. I have read the entire audition packet and have taken note of all that is required of me as a member of the Torrey Pines High School Dance Company.

Dancers' Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parents' Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

COMPLETED APPLICATIONS ARE DUE NO LATER THAN MAY 3rd, 2024

They may be dropped off to the TPHS Administration Office

(BE SURE TO LABEL TPDT - ATTN: SARAH KAYE)

Or you may mail them to:

Torrey Pines High School
Attn: Dance Department/Sarah Kaye
3710 Del Mar Heights Road, San Diego, CA 92130

REQUIRED TEACHER RECOMMENDATIONS

TPHS DANCE COMPANY AUDITIONS

STUDENT: As part of your dance audition application, please print this page and give it to (2) teachers from the current school year to fill out and return to Ms. Kaye.

Student Name _____

Current Grade Level _____

A teacher recommendation for each TPHS Dance Co. applicant gives an indication of the student's academic standing, motivation, leadership skills, and attitude. Your input will be very much considered in each candidate's evaluation.

Please rate the student in the following areas on a 1-5 scale:

5 = excellent 4 = above average 3 = average 2 = needs improvement 1 = poor

Attendance _____

Responsibility _____

Communication _____

Initiative/ Motivation _____

Attitude toward fellow students _____

Empathy _____

Additional Comments: _____

Teacher's Name _____ Subject _____

Teacher Email _____

TPHS teachers: Please return to Ms. Kaye's mailbox.

All other teachers: Please place in a sealed envelope and return to the student to include with their application.

This information will be kept confidential. Thank you for your cooperation and support!