#### Instructor: Ms. Pierce Office: Girl's PE office Email: emilypierce@burbankusd.org Class website: www.jbhsdance.weebly.com/

### **CLASS DESCRIPTION:**

Dance 3 is a yearlong intermediate/advanced course where students will learn intermediate/advanced level choreography and execution of Ballet, Contemporary, Hip Hop, Jazz and Tap. Students will be given opportunities to develop their creative expression through improvisation, choreography and performance. Students are expected to participate in Hip Hop Explosion, Winter Holiday Spectacular and the Spring Concert (TBD).

### **CLASS REQUIREMENTS:**

Regular attendance is important for student success; therefore, students are expected to attend and participate in all class activities. Cell phones, tardiness and unexcused absences will affect your grade. You will be graded on attendance, participation, headshot/resumes and performances.

### **MEDICAL EXCUSES:**

Students who need to be excused or have their activity modified due to illness or other medical reasons need to have an email from a parent or guardian on the day of the request. The email must be given to the teacher (and CC'd by the nurse @ lenoraaguilera@burbankusd.org) by the start of class. A parent note is accepted for a maximum of two days. A doctor must approve medical excuses for more than two days. Students with medical excuses will still be required to attend their regular class, but will have alternate work to submit by the end of the class via email.

#### **DANCE CLASS RULES:**

- Give your full attention to the learning (cell phones, ipods or other electronic devices are not allowed in the learning environment unless approved by your teacher).
- Always be prepared and dressed in proper dance attire (dance or running shoes, hair pulled back, jewelry off, no gum, etc).
- Mute yourself upon entry
- Be dressed in proper dance attire
- Be ready to move in a applicable space
- IRL: Respect the dance space (no food, drink or gum).
- IRL: Respect your learning environment (avoid tampering with your surroundings).
- IRL: Store all of your belongings in the locker room.

#### **BEHAVIOR, PROFANITY & SAFETY POLICIES:**

Students are expected to be responsible citizens and behave in a manner that is suitable for learning. Please refer to the JBHS Policies for more details.

- Students are expected to treat their dance teachers, TA's, substitutes and classmates with RESPECT and in a way that they themselves would like to be treated.
- The use of profanity or obscene language is unacceptable and may result in a phone call or email home to your parent or a "U" in citizenship.
- Students must observe and follow all safety rules for the dance space. Failure to do so can result in injury to themselves or their classmates and may lead to their removal from class.
- Students should not bring phones, iPods or other personal electronic devices to class unless approved by their dance teacher.

DISCIPLINARY ACTION PLAN: Please refer to the JBHS Discipline Policy

**TARDY & ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY:** Attendance and Tardy requirements follow the standard JBHS policy. Students need to be dressed and in assigned areas when the period begins.

**RESTROOM POLICY:** During online learning, students must take their restroom break during passing period.

**VIDEO/PHOTOGRAPHY RELEASE:** All students will be photographed and videotaped periodically throughout the year for educational purposes. These videos will remain with the teacher and not be reproduced or sold, but may be posted to social media and to the JBHS Dance Department website. Students may also be videotaped during performances.

**THEFTS/LOST & FOUND:** (IRL) Please lock up all belongings in the locker room. Do not leave valuables or bags unattended. Do not share your locker combination. There is a lost and found table in the dance room. Please check for your belongings before you report a theft. Please report all thefts to a campus supervisor or the discipline office. JBHS is not responsible for any lost/stolen items.

VISITORS: Members of your household should not be present while live instruction is taking place.

#### **MATERIALS:**

- Dance uniform MUST BE ALL BLACK or you will receive a non-dress
- IRL Athletic shoes and socks
- *IRL* Shoes are to be worn at *ALL* times unless specified by the teacher.
- IRL Lock

**LOCKERS**: (IRL) All students will have an assigned locker. **Sharing lockers is prohibited**! Students can either purchase a personal lock or rent a lock from the PE department for \$5.00. It is \$15.00 for lost or unreturned locks.

# **Proper Dance Uniform:**

Dance uniform is **ALL BLACK**!!! No logos, graphics, stripes, etc should be on your uniform. **Appropriate attire:** 

Tank top	appropriate length shorts
t-shirt	leggings
long sleeved shirt	yoga pants
leotard	joggers

#### **Appropriate shoes: IRL**

\*ABSOLUTELY NO STREET CLOTHES! Any clothes worn to school are not allowed in class. This includes under dressing your day clothes with dance clothes on top. Absolutely NO UGGS, sandals/slips/flip flops, shoes with heels, boots or anything else that are along those lines.\*

#### **GRADING:**

Loss of points: these are the ways you will lose points

Non-Dress	= -5 points	Participation	60%
Tardy	= -5 points	Performance	30%
Gum/Food	= -5 points	Final	10%
Cell Phone	= -5points + referral		

**Participation**: you will receive 10 points for each day you are present, on time, dressed, and participating. Participation makes up approximately 60% of your grade. If you have an unexcused absence, you will lose 10 points.

#### **PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE:**

All performances are TBD for now. Ms. Morreale and I would like to have at least 1 virtual performance each semester which we will work out and keep everyone posted. Dance Production, All Male & Dance 3 will be expected to perform.

#### **DONATIONS: (IRL)**

Throughout the year, we ask for parent volunteers and donations during performances. Students need new costumes for performances along with hiring guest choreographers. We need parents to work concessions, raffles, backstage, dressing room, security at the stage entrances, donate snacks and drinks and more. The dance department would not thrive without you! ©

Students can purchase company gear such as t-shirts, sweatshirts and leggings/shorts. Dance production hosts a couple of fundraisers throughout the year along with apply for grants to receive costumes. Parents are more than welcome to make a donation to the dance department with cash or check payable to JBHS Dance.

\*Students enrolled in Burbank Unified School District are not required to pay a fee for participation in any class, sport or educational activity. Additionally, students are not required to purchase supplies, materials, equipment or uniforms in order to participate in any class, sport or educational activity.

### JOHN BURROUGHS HIGH SCHOOL

## **SPORTS/ACTIVITIES**

### PARENT PERMISSION FORM:

I understand that the district and media often use names and pictures of students involved in school-related activities (including but not limited to publications, TV, radio and the JBHS web page). I give permission for my child's picture and name to be used and release the district and JBHS and all those associated with the school from any potential liability arising from such use. Please return to Ms. Pierce no later than Friday, August 21st.

Name of Student	
Grade	
School	
Name of Parent/Guardian	
Signature of Parent/Guardian	
Date	

Signing this syllabus means you understand all of the expectations and guidelines for the Dance I & II courses. If you have any questions, please email emilypierce@burbankusd.org. Please return to Ms. Pierce no later than Friday, August 21st.

We have read and understand the class guidelines for dance.

Student (print)	Parent (print)	
Student (signature)	Parent (signature)	
Date	Date	

# DONATIONS:

We kindly suggest a \$50 donation or whatever you are able to contribute to our JBHS Dance Program. This money will go towards funding costumes for all performances, choreography and dance supplies. We raise money for JBHS dance as a group and appreciate any help!

Volunteers:

Parent or guardian support is an essential part of our dance program. If you would like to get involved and volunteer to work one or more of our annual shows (Hip Hop Explosion & Spring Show), you will receive free entry to the event you are working.

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I would like to donate \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the JBHS Dance Department

Student:	
Dance Class:	
Period/Teacher:	-
Parent name:	
Parent email:	
Date:	
Check number and amount paid:	
OR	
Cash paid:	
Phone:	