

POB-JFK High School

Guidelines for Tap

All PE/Dance classes are graded based on the following categories:

- Preparation and Attendance 20%
- Participation and Effort 20%
- Skill and Cognitive Assessments 20%
- Personal Social Responsibility 20%
- Overall Improvement 20%

❖ PREPARATION AND ATTENDANCE*:

- Students are allowed no more than 4 *excused* absences *in each quarter*.
Examples: class trip, college visit, home sick, testing center, music lesson, suspension, counselor visit, death in the family, religious observance, other administration approved absence
 - After the 4th *excused* absence the student is required to make up the class to receive credit. Physical Education make-ups will be offered every other day. Space is limited in the Make-Up classes. In order to provide a safe and healthy learning environment, students will need to sign up prior to attending the make-up class. **All make-ups must be completed within 2 weeks of the missed class.**
- Unexcused Absence - (**cutting class/ absent w/out valid excuse**) – will result in full loss of credit for the day and an assignment of after school detention (and for seniors, a loss of parking privileges). Unexcused Absences are tallied *per semester*.
 - **Unexcused absences cannot be made up.** 3 or more unexcused absences in a semester will result in a denial of course credit. [*Withdrawn for Attendance - WAD=grade of 50 and withdrawal from the course*].
 - **Lateness or Early Departure** – 3 lateness/early departure of any kind will result in an unexcused absence. When the bell rings, PE students will be allowed 5 minutes to change, exceeding this time limit will be considered lateness. **Dance students should use this time to use the bathroom if needed.**
- Attendance will be taken promptly at **5 minutes after the 2nd bell**.
 - Anyone not present at that time will be marked late. Those that come in late *must sign in on the LATE SHEET.* Any student who does not sign in will not receive credit for the class.

***If a student switches PE classes during the semester, the student's attendance will follow the student to their new PE class.**

➤ Students are responsible for monitoring their own attendance on Student Portal and will NOT be given individual reminders about unexcused absences or the need for make-ups

➤ Class Rules:

- There is **no gum, food, drink, (except bottled water)** or **“street shoes”** allowed in the Dance Studio
 - Tap:
 - ✓ There are no clothing restrictions for class.
 - ✓ Students must wear tap shoes everyday unless otherwise instructed.
 - *If you are purchasing shoes, you must purchase shoes with:** Solid “hard sole” (as opposed to a “split sole”) w/ **rubber** on the bottoms; **Screw taps only** (as opposed to rivets or nails); **Low heels.**
- ✓ Students must walk down to the Dance Studio in the shoes they wore to school and then remove their street shoes or change into their dance shoes as appropriate and store their shoes and bags in the Studio.

❖ PARTICIPATION AND EFFORT:

- Students are expected to participate with maximum effort to the best of their ability.
 - Students who are unprepared must still participate to the best of their abilities.

- Students who are not seriously ill or not seriously injured are expected to *safely* participate to the best of their abilities.
 - Students unable to participate due to an excused medical reason must report to their assigned physical education class. An alternative assignment will be offered to earn credit for the day.
 - Students who are too ill or injured to participate and do not have a doctor's note *must* go to the nurse to seek medical treatment.
- Students not prepared or who are unable to participate in physical education are not allowed to participate in interscholastic sports, or cheerleading on the same day.

❖ **SKILL AND COGNITIVE ASSESSMENTS:**

- Students may be evaluated on their skill application. All authentic skill assessments will be based on individual growth. Cognitive knowledge may be assessed through the use of tests; quizzes; presentations; discussions; informal writing activities, etc.

❖ **PERSONAL SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY:**

- Students will demonstrate positive social responsibility skills during class, including but not limited to attitude, leadership, showing respect, good sportsmanship, respecting the space and equipment, safety, and teamwork.

❖ **OVERALL IMPROVEMENT:**

- Students will be assessed on a daily basis on their overall physical and cognitive improvement from the beginning of the marking period to the end. *No points will be deducted unless students are not improving due to lack of effort or poor attitude.* Should points be deducted the teacher will communicate this with the student.

*****Shoes and Dancewear may be purchased at:**

Encore Dancewear
 364 Old Country Road
 Hicksville NY
 (516) 935-0829

****Mention they are for POB-JFK**

***Dance to receive 10% discount
 Or look in the yellow pages under
 "Dancing Supplies" (most stores will
 match the 10% discount if you bring it up)***

****It is not recommended that you purchase shoes/dancewear online: often the quality is poor and returns/exchanges can be difficult****

Student's Name: _____

I understand that I will be held accountable for the policies and procedures outlined above and that my grade will be calculated as described and posted on my transcript. I understand that once these policies are explained, it is my responsibility to follow through on them and ask questions of the teacher if necessary.

Student's Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

I have read this course outline and understand that my child will be held responsible for the procedures and policies described, and that their class attendance, grades, and progress reports are available to me through the parent portal on "infinite campus".

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____