



ELITE COMPANY PROGRAM 2020-2021

The Elite Company Program is a fun and exciting alternative to our recreational program. In the elite program, teams are comprised of students who participate in Tap, Jazz, Lyrical, Ballet and Conditioning classes. Attendance is a crucial part of the Elite Company Program. The expectation is that members of the teams are routinely in classes. Without full participation and dedication to class time, we are not able to run a successful competition program. Elite Company dancers attend a minimum of two local dance competitions in a season. Team members will also be required to attend our Elite Team Week that takes place at the end of the summer.

ELITE TEAM- Y (ages 5-7)

Our youngest group of dancers will typically take class once a week. The ages of our dancers in the Elite Team Y are Kindergarten to first graders. This group will participate in Jazz and Ballet I/ Tap I. Only the Jazz piece will be entered into two dance competitions during the year. ****By instructor invitation or audition only****

ELITE TEAM- M (ages 7-9)

The next level in our Elite Program is Elite Team M. These are our second to fourth grade dancers. Students will participate in Tap, Ballet, Jazz and Lyrical. They are also expected to participate in the weekly team conditioning class. The techniques of Tap, Jazz and Lyrical will be entered into two dance competitions during the year. **By instructor invitation or audition only****

ELITE TEAM- C (ages 8-11)

Elite Team C is home to our fifth grade to seventh graders. This team will be required to study Jazz, Tap, Ballet and Lyrical. They are also expected to participate in the weekly team conditioning class. The techniques of Tap, Jazz and Lyrical will be entered into two dance competitions during the year. **By instructor invitation or audition only****

ELITE TEAM- A (ages 12 +)

Eight grade and up is where you will find these dancers. Elite Team A will be required to study Jazz, Tap, Ballet and Lyrical. They are also expected to participate in the weekly team conditioning class. The techniques of Tap, Jazz and Lyrical will be entered into two dance competitions during the year. **By instructor invitation or audition only****

XTREME TEAM HIP HOP ENSEMBLE (ages 9-13)

Our Hip-Hop ensemble will be made up of dancers who want to tear up the dance floor to funky down beats. These dancers will need to participate in 1 weekly Hip Hop class during the week in addition to their weekend rehearsal. This group will also attend two local dance competitions and only compete in their one Hip Hop dance. **By instructor invitation or audition only****

**Conditioning class is expected to be taken by the groups listed above (with the exception of Elite Team Y). Please understand that this class is offered to help dancers become stronger, enhance their skill, and help with their overall ability. This class also offers a special opportunity for the separate groups to come together and build bonds that are incredibly important in a TEAM.

**For questions about the Elite Company Program, Xtreme Team Hip Hop Ensemble and how to audition, please contact dance center director, Lillian Cenatiempo at lcenatiempo@westporty.org