

# Together *in* Dance



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**MISSION:** Through dance and musical theater, we empower individuals to use their creativity and work collaboratively to connect to the world around them. Together in Dance builds community among students, families, educators, and other professionals who learn together so that the arts continue to be an integral part of their lives.

**PROGRAM GOALS:** Through residencies, after-school programs, family workshops, and professional development for classroom teachers and teaching artists, Together in Dance provides meaningful arts experiences that develop both the arts and life skills of the participants.

## **PROGRAMMATIC OFFERINGS:**

- **Creative Movement residencies** (*Pre-K -5th grade*) - engage students in the process of dance-making as they develop dance literacy. Emphasis is on using dance as a lens to examine curriculum, exercising the body and mind, problem solving creatively, and fostering collaboration amongst students. Students engage in the choreographic process by creating movement phrases and dances, sharing ideas, and performing for peers and teachers for feedback.
- **Musical Theater residencies** (*3rd-8th grade*) - explore social studies curriculum themes such as immigration, the signing of the Declaration of Independence, civil rights, and American history. Students work with a musical director and choreographer/director to develop skills in theater, choreography, singing, and play writing. Broadway musicals are used as source material to inspire new musical theater works created and performed by the students.
- **After-School programming** - deepens students' arts learning, builds community among the performers, and develops the skills of collaboration and discipline.
- **Family Workshops** - are offered in partnership with schools and cultural institutions. The workshops provide a common language for arts learning amongst families and are a powerful tool for meaningful connections.
- **Professional Development** - brings classroom teachers, physical educators, and arts specialists together with a TID Teaching Artist to increase their dance and musical theater teaching skills within their classroom setting.
- **Teaching Artist Training** - creates a supportive, reflective space for veteran and emerging Teaching Artists to grow their craft.

Each year, Together in Dance works with over 3,500 students and over 150 classroom teachers. TID always utilizes the NY State Learning Standards for the Arts and The NYC Blueprint for Teaching and Learning in the Arts in its pedagogical approach.

**Programs are tailor-made and designed with school administrators and collaborating teachers to support the needs of participating students and the goals of the school.**

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