

Attention: HT CAPA and Dance Teachers

Applications for the 2023 Mid North Coast Secondary Dance Ensemble are now OPEN.

Membership is by audition only and is open to dance students from Years 7 - 12 in 2023 attending public schools, particularly but not limited to the Mid North Coast, from Coffs Harbour, Clarence, and Grafton areas.

This ensemble is aimed at talented dance students who display a high level of technical skill and performance quality and wish to be involved in the choreographic process to create, learn, and perform one contemporary dance work at the Mid North Coast Dance Festival 2023.

The 2023 MNC Secondary Ensemble will be choreographed and taught by Sydney Dancer and Choreographer, Pete Evans. Pete completed two years of full-time dance training at Ev&Bow before being accepted into the Dream Dance Company's professional program facilitated by Marco Panzic. Pete has since worked as a commercial dancer throughout Sydney, as an assistant choreographer for Dancing with The Stars and a choreographer for Schools Spectacular. He is currently working as a dancer with Opera Australia.



How to audition:

1. Students complete an endorsement form (see below). Students must have a supporting signature from a teacher within their school AND school principal.
2. An audition choreography video will be uploaded to the MNCDF website under 'Ensembles'. Students are to learn and film themselves performing the audition choreography.
3. Students' audition video and signed application letter are to be submitted via the google form by **Thursday 6 April**. *Link to the google form can be found on the [MNCDF website](#) under 'Ensembles'.*
4. Successful applicants will be notified by the end of **Week 1 Term 2**



Rehearsals

There will be two full-day rehearsals. Failure to attend rehearsals will result in immediate exclusion from the Ensemble. Students are to wear form fitting dance attire, come prepared with snacks, lunch and water. All rehearsals are compulsory.

Dates

Day 1 – Thursday 11 May 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Day 2 – Thursday 1 June 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Where - Dance Studio, Coffs Harbour Senior College.

Performance Opportunities

Successful students will perform at the Mid North Coast Dance Festival in Coffs Harbour (Tuesday 20 to Friday 23 June)

There is the potential of the following opportunities, dependent on the availability of tutors and/or ensemble members:

1. State Dance Festival in Sydney (11 to 15 September, if successfully auditioned)
2. Any other performance opportunities that may arise throughout the year.

Fees

The yearly ensemble fee of \$125 covers the hire of tutors, a 2023 MNCDF Secondary Ensemble shirt and the supply of costumes which are to be returned to the MNC Dance Ensemble program (all prices include GST). Students will need to cover the costs of their own travel and accommodation if needed.

Further Information

Further enquiries relating to the MNC Dance Ensemble should be directed to molly.dutton1@det.nsw.edu.au

Applications and Auditions must be received by Thursday 6 April



Mid North Coast Senior Dance Ensemble STUDENT ENDORSEMENT FORM

Forms are to be uploaded with audition footage via google form on [MNCDF Website](#)

Student name: _____ Student year: _____
School: _____
Student e-Mail: _____
Student mobile number: _____

Program Details

Students must consult with their school concerning the policy in obtaining the Principal's approval. It is the student's responsibility to ensure that this "Endorsement Form" is uploaded to the application and audition form by the due date. Late applications will not be considered. Students are required to attend rehearsals at Coffs Harbour Senior College. Transport to and from rehearsals is each students' responsibility. Supervision at the rehearsal will be by Department of Education teachers. They will perform at the Mid North Coast Dance Festival 26-29th June 2023.

Students are required to cover the costs for travel and accommodation and pay the \$125 membership fee (details upon acceptance).

Parent/Guardian Details

I give permission for my child to apply for the 2023 MNC Secondary Dance Ensemble.

I acknowledge that this event/activity is being held in accordance with NSW Department of Education's policies and procedures, including COVID-smart measures and following current NSW Health guidance for COVID-19. I acknowledge and accept that there is a risk that my child may be exposed to COVID-19 whilst attending and participating at this event. I confirm that my child will not attend if displaying any symptoms of illness, and if my child becomes unwell may be required to be collected from the accommodation.

Parent/Guardian name: _____ Mobile: _____

Parent/Guardian email: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: __ / __ / __

Teacher and Principal Endorsement

I endorse this student's application for the 2023 MNC Secondary Dance Ensemble

Nominating teacher's name: _____

Principal name: _____

Principal signature: _____ Date: __ / __ / __



*** Emails are our main source of communication, please check all email addresses are correct.**