

**HISD Fine Arts Department to host Elementary Dance Festival**

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| **What:** | This weekend, more than 100 elementary dance students will participate in HISD’s Elementary Dance Festival hosted by the district’s new Fine Arts Department. The 12 featured performances are the culmination of instruction and classwork completed by dance students at seven HISD elementary schools during the 2017-18 school year. Performances will include various dance styles, including jazz, contemporary, tap, lyrical and hip-hop. The festival’s purpose is to give students who might not dance often in public a chance to do so, and to provide constructive feedback to elementary students and their teachers.  A panel of middle school dance teachers will judge each performance and will subsequently provide elementary dance students and their teachers with an assessment so that they can improve their choreography and their dance programs, respectively.The 2018 Elementary Dance Festival is open to the public. Tickets to the festival are $8 for adults, $5 for children, and can be purchased at the door. |
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| **Who:** | Over 100 dance students from Gregory-Lincoln Education Center, Bell, Burbank, Codwell, Roberts, Longfellow and Poe elementary schools |
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| **When:** | **Saturday, April 21, 2018, 4 – 6 p.m.** |
| **Where:** | Revere Middle School10502 Briar Forest Dr., Houston, 77042 **Media interested in covering must RSVP by 4 p.m. Friday, April 20 to the HISD Press Office (**PressOffice@houstonisd.org **or 713-556-6393).** |
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