

New Prague  
**DANCE**  
2023  
Team Competition

We would like to thank you for registering for our Invitational. We know you have many options to choose from, so we appreciate your support in choosing New Prague in your competition schedule this year! We are looking forward to an exciting and fun competition. This letter contains all the information you should need for our event on Saturday, January 21st.

**School Address:** 221 12th St NE, New Prague, MN 56071 Please review the school map and directions for parking that was attached to your coaches email with competition details. Buses should go to the back of the building - exit the roundabout at the corner of 270th and Columbus Avenue North and take a left to the back bus loop area.

**Dance Team Arrival:** Teams will need to enter through the North Entrance Door #6 (Labeled B on the Map) which is around the backside of the school. Upon arrival, you will check in at our registration table and then be directed to your classroom/dressing room by a volunteer or member of NPDT. We will give your coaches and/or captains a quick tour of the school pointing out the bathroom locations, Coaches' Room, Gyms, and Trainer.

Each team will receive a folder with competition information, as well as a trash bag for your classroom. Our custodial staff asks that you please use this bag for trash and place it outside your classroom when you leave for the day. Please make sure your rooms are left the way you found them and clean up after yourselves.

Registration & Arrival Time for AA Teams: 7:00 AM - 9:00 AM

Registration & Arrival Time for Exhibition Teams: 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Registration & Arrival Time for AAA Teams: 12:00 - 2:00 PM

*\*keep in mind for bus traffic - AA Awards begin at 1:00pm so those teams will be departing around 1:30pm*

**Bus Parking:** Labeled C on the Map provided.

**\*\*Please let your bus drivers know that they are allowed in to watch the competition for free, and we also have a room for relaxation and provide them with a voucher for a free meal for the day.**



**Spectator's Entrance:** Please park in the Main School Parking Lot and enter through the main entrance doors (Labeled E on the Map). Ticket sales begin at 8:30 AM and doors will open to the gym for seating at 8:45 AM. Side A teams will FACE the sound table and Side B teams will face AWAY from the sound table. If the parking lot is full, there is additional parking across the street at Trojan Stadium as well.

AA Teams & Exhibition facing Side A: Byron, Belle Plaine, Ellis Middle, Just For Kix, Marshall, New Prague

AA Teams facing Side B: Fairmont, New Ulm, Richfield, South St. Paul, Two Rivers

All AAA Teams are facing Side A, but will still have 2 panels of judges to keep the competition moving.

**ADMISSION PRICING & TICKET SALES:** (Cash at the door or Eventbrite)

\$9 ADULTS

\$7 STUDENTS (Grades K-12) & SENIORS (55+)

CHILDREN UNDER 5 - FREE

**ONLINE TICKET LINK:**

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/new-prague-dance-team-invite-2023-tickets-513121098017>

**EVENT PROGRAMS:** Please scan our QR code the day of the competition to get to access our digital program. There will also be a link on our website: [www.newpraguedanceteam.com](http://www.newpraguedanceteam.com).



**JAM Judges Entrance:** Please park in the Main Parking Lot and enter through the main entrance. The Tab Room is in the main office conference room, the first doors on the right as you enter the school. We will have the Judges Room down the Hallway in room 115. Upon arrival, check-in at the front ticket sales area if you need assistance and a volunteer you will show you where to go.

**Livestream:** There will be a [livestream](#) for the competition through our school's HUDL camera which will face Side A. Side B performances can be viewed from this Livestream, but will, unfortunately, be facing the back of your performance.

**Data Information:** Thank you for submitting your Data Sheets already. If we are missing anything we will reach out. We will have them printed for our announcer, so you will not need to bring any with you.



**Marking:** We will NOT have scheduled marking times for this event. You should arrive downstairs to the back Auxiliary Gym at least 15 minutes prior to your competition time. You will enter this gym and have a few minutes to run your routine (*either without music or at a very a low volume as our gyms have open spaces between them and we do not want to take away from the teams competing*), warm up turns, hit formations, etc. before you move into the other half of the AUX gym for “in the hole” and then to the hallway between the AUX and MAIN gyms for “on deck” / in the chute.

**Music:** Sound will be provided by Perkins Media. Please upload your music by Friday, **JANUARY 13th**. Click this link for directions to upload your music. You must complete a separate form for EACH routine you are competing/performing. [www.perkinsmediagroup.com/newprague](http://www.perkinsmediagroup.com/newprague).

Please be sure to have a backup of your music (CD, phone or other device) available and with you when you arrive to the coaches table at the time of your performance.

**Schedule of the Day and Performance Times:** All performance times are APPROXIMATE, and could move ahead if time allows. Please make sure you are ready and downstairs at least 15 minutes prior to your estimated performance time.

**Competition Updates:** Please make sure I have your cell phone # if I don't already have you in my contact list so I can add you to a Head Coach text group chat for the day. Tiffany Sandhurst: 612-387-5417

**Trainer:** The trainer will be located inside the main gym area and this location will be shown to you during your tour when you arrive.

**National Anthem:** Teams will not need to line up and participate in the National Anthem, but the first 3 AA teams in order of performance should be lined up in the chute and Auxiliary gym ready to go by 8:45 AM and by 1:45 PM for the AAA evening competition. (*National Anthem will only be sung in the morning*).

**Coaches Table & Chairs:** There will be 3 chairs set up at each of the coaches' tables and 10 chairs on both sides for additional coaches, dancers, managers, etc. We will also have the front row of bleachers reserved for your team to use as well to watch performances. Coaches will need to give a thumbs up for the signal to go with music. There will be at least one chair per side reserved for photographers/media as well.

**Coaches Room:** Our coaches room is centrally located in our Media Center, and will have an assortment of food and beverages offered throughout the entire day for coaches to enjoy. There will not be a coaches meeting, as all of the details and information needed will have been provided.

**Senior Recognition:** Once all teams have entered the Main Gym for awards we will ask coaches to come forward to the awards table area and collect flowers that we will provide to you, to be given to your Seniors. We will call each team and Senior by name, and we ask that the Head Coach or selected coaches (you decide) present them to your Seniors as we acknowledge and announce them. Please have your Seniors remain up front for photo opportunities before returning back to your lines.



**Awards:** There will not be an organized processional for awards. All teams should be ready in the Auxiliary Gym to enter the main gym 10-15 minutes after the final performance. All teams will enter the gym and stand in a vertical line facing the direction you competed. Senior Recognition will happen before final placement awards are announced. Here are the placements that will be awarded:

AA B-Squad	Kick	1			
AA B-Squad	Jazz	1	2	3	
AA Junior Varsity	Kick	1	2	3	4
AA Junior Varsity	Jazz	1	2	3	4
AA Varsity	Kick	1	2	3	4
AA Varsity	Jazz	1	2	3	4
AAA B-Squad	Jazz	1	2	3	
AAA Junior Varsity	Kick	1	2	3	
AAA Junior Varsity	Jazz	1	2	3	
AAA Varsity	Kick	1	2	3	
AAA Varsity	Jazz	1	2	3	

**Score Packets:** Score sheet packets will be available in the coach's room (Media Center) following each awards ceremony. Full scores will be emailed by JAM following the conclusion of the competition.

**Concessions, Vendors, and Trinkets:** We have a great menu planned out for the day and ask that NO outside meals or beverages be brought into the school. In addition to concessions, there will be Maui Wowi, Nothing Bundt Cakes, trinkets and gifts, as well as flowers available to send to your dancers dressing room.

**Competition Shirts:** We will organize any orders that were placed and have them ready for you the day of the competition.



Thank you again for joining us at our New Prague Invite this year. We are excited to spend a fun day of competition with your teams. If you have any additional questions please feel free to reach out!

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**We look forward to seeing you January 21st!**