

Dominican High School
Dance Team Tryouts
Debs and JV Debs

Tuesday, March 18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3:30 PM –6:15 PM Clinic • 6:15 PM - 6:30 PM Parent Meeting 	Wednesday, March 19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3:30 PM 7:30 PM – 1st Try-outs 	Thursday, March 20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3:30 PM - 6:10 PM Clinic for 2nd Tryouts 	Friday, March 21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3:30 PM - 7:15 PM 2nd tryout
Saturday, March 22 (Debs Only) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3:30 PM - Interviews will begin. • Nice attire should be worn. Pictures will be taken. 		Monday, March 24 (JV Debs Only) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3:30 PM - Interviews and uniform fittings will begin. • Nice attire should be worn. Pictures will be taken. 	

We are very excited that you have expressed an interest in becoming a member of the Debs or JV Debs dance teams for the 2025-2026 school year. Debs is a varsity team composed of Dominican students in grades 8-12. JV Debs is a junior varsity team composed of students in grades 8-9. Membership is a **yearlong** commitment.

Debs Important Dates	JV Debs Important Dates
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uniform Fitting and Parent/Deb Meeting: March 24 • UDA Masters Camp in New Orleans Sunday, June 8th - Wednesday, June 11th • Choreography: required for all Debs June 23rd– July 1st and July 9th – July 18th • Deb Camp: required for all Debs July 28th – August 1st 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uniform Fitting & Interviews: March 24 • 1st Practice and Parent/JV Deb Meeting: March 25 • UDA Camp in New Orleans Monday, June 16th – Thursday, June 19th • Choreography: required for all JV Debs July 7-11 and July 21-26

Teams will begin practicing in the **Spring on Mondays and Wednesdays (JV Debs), Tuesdays and Thursdays (Debs)** to prepare for Deb Revue and UDA camp. **Additional practices may be scheduled to prepare for UDA camp. UDA camp is MANDATORY** for both teams. Please see the dates listed above.

Starting in August, practices for the Debs will be Monday morning from 6:00 am– 7:30 am and Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:30pm – 5:30pm. JV Debs will practice on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30-5:30pm.

Weekend and additional weekday practices will be scheduled as needed to prepare as competition season approaches. Weekly ballet AND technique class is **MANDATORY** for all dancers. This class may be taken at the dance studio of their choice.

Debs performances	JV Debs performances
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UDA Masters Camp in New Orleans June 8th – June 11th • All Brother Martin Varsity football games Friday nights (August-November) • All Dominican recruitment events and pep rallies Throughout the school year • DTU Regional Competition November 2026 • American All Star Competition – January 2026 • UDA Regional and National competitions January 2025/January-February 2026 • Mardi Gras parades February 2026 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UDA Camp in New Orleans June 16th - June 19th • 2-3 Brother Martin Varsity football games Friday nights (August-November) • All Dominican recruitment events and pep rallies Throughout the school year • DTU Regional Competition – November 2026 • American All Star Competition – January 2026 • UDA Regional and National competitions January 2025/January-February 2026

Tryout apparel:

Tight fitting appropriate dance attire and jazz shoes or half soles should be worn. Hair should be pulled away from face and very neat in appearance.

****No two piece sets, jewelry, tennis shoes, black soled shoes, hair down or bright colored sports bras*****

Tryout evaluations include:

Turns – chaînes, piques, attitude, coupé, double & triple pirouettes, à la secondes (leg second)

Jumps/leaps – jeté, second leap, calypso, toe touch, turning disc

Misc. – straight, fan & pitch kicks, splits

*Please note: these skills are not mandatory to make the teams; however, each team will perform routines including these throughout the year.

Tryout process:

Judges will evaluate participants and record their scores.

Candidates will be identified by a number given out at the clinic. Judges will score candidates anonymously by their audition number.

Candidates will be scored on game day, jazz, pom and hip-hop technique, as well as leaps, turns, and kicks. Call backs will be utilized as needed.

***Dance team tryout clinic and tryouts are closed to all spectators.
Parents and spectators must remain outside until tryouts are concluded.***

Please refer to the tryout flyer for more information on the layout of tryout week.

All dancers are required to complete the tryout form and bring \$25 tryout fee and insurance card to the first day of tryouts.