REPERTORY DANCE THEATRE’S ARTS IN EDUCATION GOALS

RDT uses dance as a way to help people become more:

*Physically Active, Creative, Aware, Inspired, Connected, Prepared and Educated*

- To provide kinesthetic, artistic learning experiences
- To develop an individual’s physical and mental discipline at all ability levels
- To give students and teachers opportunities to explore movement, the art of improvisation, and the creative process, and provide learning within the arts.
- To promote learning in other core subjects through the use of creative movement, dance and physical activity.
- To develop Life Skills by encouraging good citizenship, by helping students be responsible and understand their relationship to the other members of their group, family, class or community.
- To achieve basic educational objectives such as concentrating, creative problem solving, planning, visualizing, and conceptualizing.
- To help develop skills needed for emotional maturity and social effectiveness—sharing, cooperating, integrating and interacting.

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Repertory Dance Theatre’s ARTS IN EDUCATION PROGRAMS

RDT has been involved in serving Utah’s schools with Arts-In-Education programs since 1966. RDT has created Lecture Demonstrations, Movement Classes, Teacher-In-Service Workshops, In-Depth Residencies, Choreographic Residencies and Performances which educate, entertain, and inspire students and teachers helping them understand and appreciate the arts. All activities are based on the State Core Dance Standards. RDT is fortunate to have financial assistance for our AIE activities and is grateful to the Utah State Board of Education “POPS” program, Utah State Legislature, the Utah Arts Council, and a number of corporate and foundation sponsors. RDT has a mandate to serve all Utah elementary schools. Priority is given to those schools that have yet to be served.

LECTURE DEMONSTRATIONS (approx. 50 minutes) Suitable for the entire school
A narrated performance by RDT’s professional dancers that focuses on the history of dance, the choreographic process, and the art of improvisation. The demonstration gives the audience insight into how to watch, appreciate and even create dances. RDT performs and discusses repertory spanning one hundred years of American Modern Dance.

MOVEMENT CLASSES
Movement classes (approx. 45 minutes in length) are designed for one classroom at a time and are grade level specific. The movement explorations are designed help students build strength, flexibility, endurance, coordination and awareness while developing an understanding of the elements of dance — Time, Space, Shape and Energy. Movement classes provide alternative ways to learn and achieve basic educational objectives while allowing all participants the freedom to explore their own physical and creative potential in a noncompetitive environment. Classes promote Life-long learning skills and help students discover ways to solve problems through teamwork, cooperation and collaboration.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS
In-Service workshops (1-2 hours in length) offer teachers a better understanding of the Core Dance Standards, build their confidence level and help them acquire new skills to be successful in teaching the Dance Core in their classroom. Through mentoring, RDT is helping teachers understand that dance is essential in the life of a healthy, productive society and that experiences in creative dance develop complex thinking skills, effective communication and collaboration.

IN-DEPTH RESIDENCIES
RDT offers In-Depth residencies during the school year to public elementary schools in the Salt Lake Valley. Each school receives multiple creative movement classes, a lecture demonstration, and a Professional Development Teacher Workshop. In-Depth residencies offer students, faculty and administrators the opportunity to successfully implement the Dance Core Standards into the school. Students and teachers receive a greater understanding of how the body moves, fitness, and challenges their creative thinking, creative problem solving, cooperating, teamwork and communication skills.

CHOREOGRAPHIC RESIDENCIES AND MASTER CLASSES IN THE SCHOOLS FOR JR/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS
RDT Dancers are skilled choreographers who serve Jr and Senior high school dance students by working creatively to develop choreography and expand performance skills through technique and composition classes. RDT professionals also offer information about career development in dance performance, administration, and teaching.

DAY IN THE ROSE/JR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL WORKSHOPS
1-2 day workshops at the Rose Wagner Performing Arts Center for Jr High and High School dance students with RDT dancers and artistic staff. Classes in Technique, Improvisation, Repertory and more.