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.

RDT has served 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 reflect the Utah State Core Dance Standards. RDT is fortunate to have financial assistance for our AIE activities and thanks the Utah State Board of Education “POPS” program, Utah State Legislature, the Utah Division of Museums and Arts and many corporate and foundation sponsors.
RDT’s 2020-21 AIE Programs
Virtual and In-Person Activities

All Repertory Dance Theatre Arts in Education Programs will be offered this year either online or in person. We believe that Art and Dance are essential for all students and teachers to maintain a healthy, creative whole person. We have worked to put many resources online and also to modify our in-person activities and our ability to meet and create virtually via an internet meeting platform. **please see attached sheet for in-person safety guidelines.**

*Online Lesson Plans, Master Classes and Performances (grades K-12)
https://rdtutah.org/blog/online-lesson-plans/
https://rdtutah.org/blog/online-video-library/
RDT has compiled lesson plans for creative movement and dance on our website. There are lesson plans for K-12 listed in all areas of the Utah Core Standards Fine Arts/Dance. These resources continue to grow as RDT adds new lessons each week. The performances include our multi-media matinee VOYAGE, D IS FOR DANCE and many historical and contemporary works from our 120 year old modern dance library.*

*Master Classes and Creative Movement Classes (grades K-12)
RDT is available to meet either virtually through a meeting platform (Zoom) or teach in person classes. In either format, classes are designed to accommodate one classroom at a time (up to 35 students). The movement explorations are designed to 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. Classes available: Creative Movement Class K-6, Modern Technique Class 7-12, Improvisation/Composition 7-12
For either format a date/time must be scheduled in advance.*

*Choreography and the Heritage Project (grades 7-12)
RDT is available to meet either virtually or develop in person choreography. 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.
For either format, dates/times must be scheduled in advance.*

*Professional Development Workshop (1-2hrs)
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. This program is available either virtually or in person.
For either format, dates/times must be scheduled in advance.*

*In School Assembly (50 mins for 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. This program is available in person, or there are filmed versions on our website for free.
In-person assemblies need to be scheduled in advance. Online viewing is available anytime.*

*Free Student Matinee Performances (currently available online only)
Curated student matinee informances combine performances with engaging narratives to introduce the human connection to dance. RDT performances feature professional dancers performing works created by national and internationally renowned choreographers in a professional setting.
Filmed versions each matinee are available online including interviews with choreographers, dancers and study guide materials.*
RDT’s In-Person AIE Program Safety Guidelines

To successfully guarantee the safety of RDT dancers and education staff, RDT has compiled the following guidelines to facilitate holding our AIE programs in person in a school or classroom setting.

- All RDT dancers and educational staff will wear face mask coverings.
- RDT request teachers and students who are involved in the RDT activity to also wear a face covering.
- The RDT Teacher will maintain a 6 foot distance from the teacher and students.
- RDT requires a large enough space to hold the activity to allow for proper social distancing for all participants.
- All participants must sanitize hands before and after RDT activity.
- RDT reserves the right to cancel the activity if one or more of the above guidelines are not followed.

RDT will continue to monitor Federal and Utah’s Health Guidelines and will update ours as needed.