

ArtQuest Dance  
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To Whom it May Concern,

I would like to take 10 dance students to the International Association of Blacks in Dance Conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania from January 14-19, 2020. The students would leave on the evening of January 14th and return in the afternoon of the 19th.

Attending this dance conference would allow students to take classes from world-renowned professional artists. Artists from dance companies that include some of the following: Alvin Ailey, Dance Theatre of Harlem, The American Ballet Theatre, Ballet Hispanico and Complexions. It will also allow students to gain pertinent college and career information for performing arts professions (college fair, college representatives and dance company auditions). Additionally, throughout the workshops, we will all learn about the current techniques that are being used in the industry and inside of the classroom. I will use the information to revise and align our technique/coursework to meet the newly implemented standards of a highly qualified dance program. The classes, workshops, and live performances offered during this event would support State and Nation Art Standards. Our student's access to courses that support our district goals of diversity, equity and inclusion; as well as support their College and Career goals such as or i.e. real-world, work-based learning, applicable career skills, preparation and etc. knowledge), will be reinforced.

This experience would provide our students with an opportunity to meet and interact with other secondary learners from around the nation and the globe, providing them with tangible networking skills and global perspectives. This is a phenomenal event unlike any other in the country. After participating in performing art courses/activities, tours, and college fairs, students will attend a professional concert each night. For some of the students, this will be the first time that they have attended a live performance or traveled outside of the state.

Students have and are still in the process of raising funds for this trip. I will make funding requests from the Santa Rosa Foundation, SPSA, and our booster clubs. I have sent emails and hard copy details of the trip to the parents and I have also shared all of the same information during Back to School Night. The chaperones that will attend this trip include: Nzinga Woods, Regina Brennan, and Tanya Brauanstein.

Thank you for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Nzinga Woods".



Nzinga Woods  
Santa Rosa High School  
ArtQuest Department - Dance



**Flight Itinerary**

San Francisco ↔ Philadelphia

Selected flights

	Tue, Jan 14 · 11:05 PM – 7:20 AM <sup>1</sup> American	5h 15m SFO- <del>PHL</del>	Nonstop	✓
	Sun, Jan 19 · 3:55 PM – 7:21 PM American	6h 26m <del>PHL</del> -SFO	Nonstop	✓