



**Delaware State Arts Conference
Appoquinimink High School
Schedule of Events
October 13, 2023**

7:30am-8:00am

Registration

8:00am-8:30am

Keynote Speaker

8:40am-9:30am

Learning at the intersections: Movement explorations that push beyond what is known

*Presenter: Monica Cameron Frichtel

In this session, participants will engage in exploring movement that is both familiar and unfamiliar through guided improvisation built on familiar movement and mini compositions that incorporate unfamiliar movement. This session can easily be adapted for different ages and experience levels.

9:40am-10:30am

Session with Neil Kirshling

10:40am-11:30am

Dance Advocacy Panel Discussion

*Presenter: Kim Schroeder

Bring your questions, concerns, dance needs, and influential voices to the table to share with various dance educators and leaders in the state. We want to hear about your program and your work. We want to be a sounding board. We want to support you. We want to work together. We strive to elevate dance education in our schools and community and believe it's necessary to include you!

11:40am-12:30pm

Embodied History: Contextualizing the past in movement practices

*Presenter: Denise Murphy-Rohr

This session involves examples and descriptive ideas to bring history into a living performance and practice. Participants should be prepared to move through choreographic prompts to embody themes and ideas in history.

12:30pm-1:30pm

LUNCH

1:40pm- 2:30pm

A Session Dedicated to Horton Technique

*Presenter: M. Amber Spivey

A staple technique in modern dance, the Lester Horton technique provides diverse movements designed to fortify, stretch, and reshape the body. The simplicity of the movement and clarity of lines can provide students with the ability to achieve gratifying results. The movement helps to properly warm-up the body and equips experienced dancers to broaden their range of movement and introduce and incorporate elements of the technique that will strengthen your student's skill set, coordination, and build confidence. Horton is fun and accessible to everyone! This project is supported, in part, by a grant from the [Delaware Division of the Arts](#), a state agency, in partnership with the [National Endowment for the Arts](#). The Division promotes Delaware arts events on <https://delawarescene.com/>.

2:45 pm-3:30pm

DDEO Networking, Debrief and Reflection

BECOME A PROFESSIONAL MEMBER OF DDEO

The Delaware Dance Education Organization is the State Affiliate of the National Dance Education Organization. The **mission** of the Delaware Dance Education Organization, DDEO, is to support and advance dance education centered in the arts. We create opportunities for the professional development of all Delaware current and future dance educators.



Feel free to contact Tara Madsen Robbins, Vice President of Communications on the Board of Directors for DDEO and Delaware State Arts Conference Chair, at ddeo.board@gmail.com. We hope you have a fabulous day of dance, and thank you for joining us!

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"I think of dance as a constant transformation of life itself." – Merce Cunningham

"To dance is to be out of yourself. Larger, more beautiful, more powerful." – Agnes De Mille

"Every time I dance, I'm trying to prove myself to myself." – Misty Copeland