

# XLR8 2026-27

XLR8 is a leadership team for grades 9th-12th, focusing on leadership, which is a wonderful addition to Excel! Not only do these dancers learn how to audition for college/professional careers, but they are also exposed to options for life as a dancer after High School. They will also work with guest choreographers, create resumes, headshots, and choreograph their own duets and trios. XLR8 organizes our Team Banquet, Company Christmas Party, and teaches at the XLR8 Experience. Additional and unique performances and trips are also offered as part of this team. Fundraising takes place over the summer for extra events that we attend. Spots are limited to 10-14 dancers and are chosen through a dance audition and potential interview process.

For more inquiries regarding XLR8, please reach Ms Katie at [katie@exceldancecentre.com](mailto:katie@exceldancecentre.com)

## REQUIREMENTS

- Must be in 9th - 12th grade & a member of Company Team
- 1 hour XLR8 class per week plus Company requirements
- ASH convention, ASH showcase, plus one other convention (ASH April 16th-18th - can perform as early as 7 am on April 16th)
- 7 summer drop-in classes
- Allowed 4 excused absences throughout the year (can do a make-up class)
- Purchase additional costumes and tank
- Attend all scheduled events for the year, and required to attend bonding events for leadership
- Must be a part of NHSDA through Excel
- Must be a part of YTAP (Young Teachers Assisting Program)
- Available all of intensive week (Week of August 5th)

## FINANCIALS

- Guest choreographer fee of \$600 divided by number of dancers
- Additional convention fee = estimated \$170-\$365 (hotel additional, booked on own)
- Two additional costumes and team shirt = \$195
- Photoshoot fee = \$25
- ASH Showcase fee = \$85
- **ESTIMATE** entry fee for events = \$90/dancer per group dance, \$215/solo, \$125/person duet/trio (collected closer to event, not a part of bundle)
- Reblocking Fee (for any dancer that decides not to finish the season = \$100 per dance (cover staff time & admin) - entry fees covered for any dancer that will fill in
- Any solo, duet, or trio is paid to the choreographer. \$65 separate studio rental and music cut fee is paid to the studio outside of your bundle.

\*Any additional fees that will come up would be entry fees for conventions and any solo, duet, or trio fees. We also participate in various shows or visit colleges that sometimes add a small cost.

\*Your total will be divided by 5 monthly payments on the 15th of each month (Aug.-Dec.) and run automatically using your tuition payment method. Please email Ms. Karly with questions.

