

Performance Skills (formerly known as Circus Skills)

Performance Skills is a NSW Department of Education Approved Elective Course

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Performance Skills (formally known as Circus Skills) is an art form with a distinct body of knowledge including conventions, history, skills and method of creating. It is a vital part of our society and is celebrated worldwide as an expression of culture and belief as diverse as the values found in Australian culture.

Performance Skills (formally known as Circus Skills) will provide students both individually and in groups with the opportunity to blend specialist physical activities with theatrical performance skills. Performance Skills encourages students to work collaboratively and co-operatively throughout the process of creating and performing circus

In Performance Skills students are provided with a medium for personal expression. This enables the sharing of ideas, feelings and experiences whilst providing a valuable and unique means of enriching the physical, athletic, emotional, intellectual and social development for all students.

This course is designed to complement and enhance both the Board developed Drama and Dance course, while utilising the distinct physical stylizations and theatrical elements that exist in the practice of circus.

The course provides for the study of core content, and elective options. A minimum of 4 elective themes would be chosen from the following:

	ELECTIVE modules	Hours
1	Research Australian Companies and Performers	15
2	Circus Techniques: Manipulation/Clown	35
3	Research O/S Companies & Performers	15
4	Circus Techniques: Equibristics/Aerials	35
5	Research Circus Manipulation & Clown	15
6	Majors 1 & 2: Train, devise & perform	35
7	Research: Equibristics & Aerials	15
8	Majors 3 & 4: Train, devise and perform	35

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