



SHAY LYONS (MISS SHAY)

I am a passionate Disney enthusiast, dedicated Star Wars fan, and film aficionado—particularly of the works of Quentin Tarantino—with a love for adventure and creative expression. I am honored to begin my fifth year at EDUPRIZE Gilbert as the Dance, Graphic Design, and Yearbook teacher, and I am truly excited to continue serving the EDUPRIZE community during the 2026–2027 school year.

Originally born in California and raised in Arizona from the age of twelve, I am the ninth of ten siblings in a family where music and the arts have always played a central role. Dance has been a lifelong passion of mine. This marks my eighteenth year performing, choreographing, and teaching. My experience spans a wide variety of styles, including modern, lyrical,

jazz, cheer, pom, social dance, and hip-hop street styles such as breaking, popping, locking, waacking, vogue, and freestyle.

In 2018, I earned my Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance from Arizona State University, graduating Cum Laude and as an Obama Scholar. Since then, I have remained committed to sharing the joy and transformative power of dance in diverse settings and communities. I am a member of Furious Styles Crew, one of the longest-running international crews in the world. I also work with NextGen Digital LLC as a videographer, web designer, and editor. In addition, I have gained extensive experience in community event planning and advertising.

I look forward to continuing to inspire students to discover confidence, creativity, and self-expression while encouraging them to believe that they are capable of achieving anything they set their minds to.

Graphic Design & Yearbook Materials	Dance Materials
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 9” x 12” Sketchbook - <u>required</u> ● Writing utensils - <u>required</u> ● 1GB USB drive - optional ● Wired Earbuds - optional 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Notebook or Composition Book - <u>required</u> ● Water bottle/hydroflask - <u>required</u> (no squirt bottles please) ● Changeout clothing - optional, but recommended ● Knee Pads - strongly recommended <p>1st Semester: Ballet & Jazz</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No shoes required ● Socks or dance slippers encouraged <p>2nd Semester: Hip Hop & Contemporary Dance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Tennis shoes or Sneakers <u>required</u> (no crocs, boots, sandals, slippers, etc)

Classroom needs (donations accepted for all): Band-aids, Clorox wipes, Hand sanitizer, & Kleenex

If you have any questions regarding other requirements or your student’s progress, please contact me via email at shay.lyons@eduprize.com