

**PRESS RELEASE
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New Youth Jazz, Hip Hop & Tap Classes

The City of Arroyo Grande Recreation Division and instructor Heather Whitlock are offering new dance classes for children ages 6 years old and older. Ms. Whitlock has been dancing for 28 years and began teaching dance classes 15 years ago. She has taken tap workshops from dance legends Al Gilbert, Savion Glover and Gregory Hines, and looks forward to sharing her passion for dance with youth of the Five Cities.

Jazz/Tap Combo I classes are offered for 6 to 9 year olds on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. or for children 10 years old or older on Thursdays from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. This class teaches beginning jazz and tap techniques including basic rhythms, steps and combinations.

Hip Hop I class is an introduction to hip hop styles and movement. This class is open to children 6 years old and older and is held Wednesdays from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Jazz I class is offered to children 6 years old and older and is held Thursdays from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. The class teaches beginning jazz technique with an emphasis on turns and leaps.

All classes start the first week in February and are held at the City of Arroyo Grande and Woman's Club Community Center, 211 Vernon St. in Arroyo Grande. Registration fees are \$40 per month for each class. Registration is available online at arroyogrande.org or in person at the Recreation Office at 1221 Ash Street in Arroyo Grande. For more information contact the Recreation Office at 473-5474.

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**DOUG PERRIN, DIRECTOR OF
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