

## Meet the Youth Dance Instructor Team



### Emmy Fansler

Emmy dances, teaches, and choreographs from a core belief in the transformative power of dance. A relative latecomer to dance, Emmy began intensive ballet training at the age of fifteen and has since developed a unique style based on interpersonal connection. She persistently defies the exclusionary paradigm of the ballet world, creating radically inclusive dance spaces and choreographing to highlight each dancer's unique story and strengths. She hopes to teach compassion, connection, and creativity through dance, knowing it can break down barriers and build communities. Emmy has experienced first-hand the life changing effects of dance, and her gratitude shines brightly in her teaching style.



### Emelia Ricchio



Emelia will be teaching beginner contemporary and jazz this year. She has been dancing for 8 years and has been competing in dance for 6 of those years. Emelia has had advanced training in many styles, but her favorite styles of dance are contemporary and hip hop. This will be her first-time teaching, but she's been assisting Ms. Emmy for years and is so excited to start!

### Phoebe Raftery

Phoebe has had a passion for dance since the age of two. For fourteen years, she has been training in ballet, and within the past seven years, she has trained in many other styles including jazz, contemporary, hip hop, and more. Phoebe has been a member of a dance competition team for seven years and loves to perform. She hopes to pass down her love for dance to the younger generation of aspiring performers.



### Tempest Chase



Tempest Chase has been training in several styles of dance all her life. She has been a competitive hip hop dancer since 2017, attending competitions and conventions all over western Washington. Tempest loved teaching hip hop at Si View last year, and she is excited to return this season.