

# POINTING



**TOP LEFT:** Junior Amanda Xiong stretches during class. "Dancing is a way to express myself completely through the music," Xiong said. **TOP RIGHT:** Junior Hailey Mount performed for a crowd at Northpark Mall. "Dance allows the performers to be creative. Sharing that with others is what makes the long rehearsals worth it," Mount said. **BOTTOM LEFT:** Sophomore Vyanka Sotelo posed at Northpark. "I love seeing the smiles on their faces, it makes my day," Sotelo said. **BOTTOM RIGHT:** Sophomore Megan Hudspeth choreographed a dance. "I think it's a great opportunity to choreograph our own dances. It helps create a diverse spring performance," Hudspeth said.



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## EXPRESS YOURSELF

**Left:** Junior Heather Xiao prepares to perform during her dance class in order to prepare for the spring dance recital. "Outside of school, my favorite place to clear my mind is the dance studio. Dance is such an important form of expression for me, I can forget about all of my stress and channel my energy into a style of movement," Xiao said.

## OFF TO NEVERLAND

Peter Pan came to Hockaday sprinkling some fairy dust all over the stage on Nov. 17 for the fall dance assembly. The girls animated the famous book for their first performance of the year. "We all came in with fresh and new ideas," sophomore Emma Paine said. "It was so much fun because Peter Pan is a classic that everybody loves and this performance made me feel like a little girl again."

The Hockaday Dance Theater Company class was able to audition for the main roles and play more than one part. Junior Hailey Mount, who played Captain Hook, especially enjoyed her character. "The best part for me was not only being one of the main characters, but it was also making the children from the charter schools who came to watch us smile," Mount said. "I could really tell that they were enjoying our performance because they were constantly smiling and cheering and that in itself made me want to be the best I could be for them."