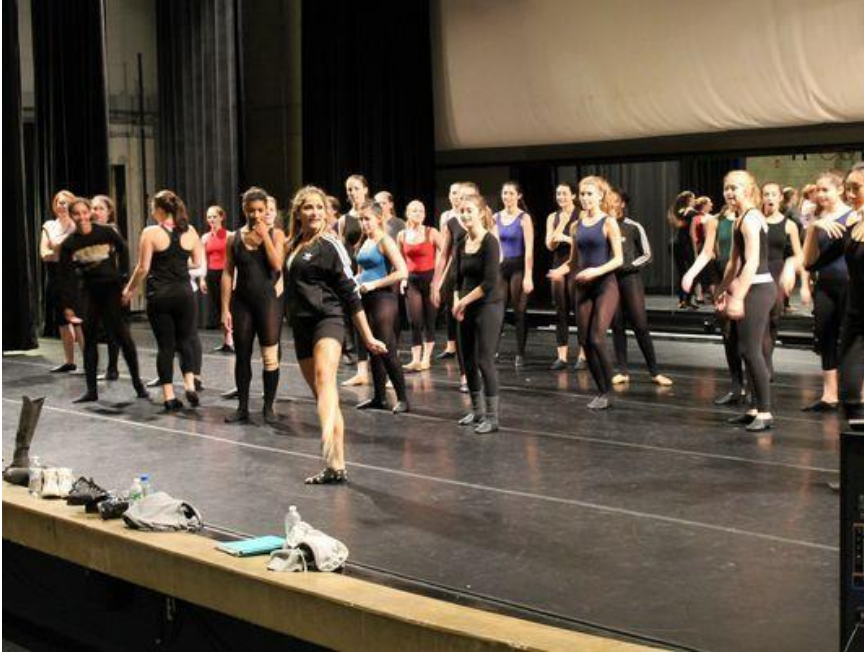


## Somerset Vo-Tech alum returns for master class in dancing



Students in the Gifted and Talented Dance Program at Somerset County Vocational & Technical High School in Bridgewater were visited and trained in a master class by 2010 SCVTHS Dance alumna Adena Ershow.

Adena Ershow, who just spent nine months performing in "Cats" on Royal Caribbean's Oasis of the Seas, returned to her alma mater to teach the master class. Students who participated in the class were taught the "Copland" and "Hovers" dance sections of the Jellicle Ball from Andrew Lloyd Weber's original production of "Cats".

"It's always amazing to return to your roots. For me, the chance to dance on the SCVTHS stage again and to watch these young dancers show their talent and discipline was such a delight. Almost six years later, coming back felt like returning home," Ershowv said.

After graduating from SCVTHS, Ershow went on to Wagner College and graduated with a bachelor's degree in theater performance in 2014. Immediately following graduation, Adena started her professional career at the Allenberry Playhouse in productions of "42nd Street," "Oklahoma!" and "Mame." She also made her Off-Broadway debut as Betty in "FABULOUS! The Queen of New Musical Comedies."

Sheila Buttermore, SCVTHS Honors Dance Department Coordinator, was excited for the class stating, "We are extremely proud to bring Adena back and highlight her success in the industry," she said. "It is so important for our students to meet our alumni and see how successful they are."