Hmong Cultural Center
Dance Program Evaluation Data
Spring 2010
Gender

Male – 1

Female – 21
Age

5 – 7 years old – 2
8- 10 years old – 7
11 – 13 years old – 10
14 – 16 years old – 2
17 – 19 years old – 1
How long have you been coming to dance class at the Hmong Cultural Center?

11 months or less – 7
1 – 2 years – 10
3 – 4 years - 5
Why did you decide to take dance class at the Hmong Cultural Center?

Build social skills – 3
Extra activity on the side – 1
Wanted to learn how to Hmong dance – 8
Knew the dance instructor - 1
Have a passion for dancing - 9
In the time that you have been coming to dance class at the Hmong Cultural Center, do you feel you have gotten to be better at the traditional dance?

Yes – 21

No – 1
Do you ever perform dances in front of other people (outside of class)? If yes, do you think performing dances in front of people has helped you do other things too like public speaking in class at school? If yes, what kinds of things do you think you can do better now because you have learned how to perform dances?

Yes – 16

No – 6

A few of the students noted that they feel more comfortable dancing in front of people and feel more confident speaking in public. One of the students noted, “Since I started dance class, I have been more engaged in activities in school a lot.”
Do you think dance class at the Hmong Cultural Center has helped you better understand the Hmong culture and the culture of your parents and grandparents?

Yes – 17

No – 5

A few of the students noted that it is very important to learn the culture of their ancestors. Four students noted that it doesn’t help them because they are only learning to dance and not the culture.
Do you think taking dance class at the Hmong Cultural Center has helped you to better in any classes at school?

Yes – 16

No – 6

Two students noted that it has helped them in music, choir and sports but not in other area of studies.
How do you think we could improve the dance class at the Hmong Cultural Center?

Provide bigger room and better environment – 17

Need a better sound system for audio – 1

Need more support from the agency and parents – 3

Need more participants – 1

Most of the students said that there are too many participants and the space to dance is limited. They requested the Hmong Cultural Center to provide a bigger space for them to practice dancing.