Puerto Rican Dance Studio Expands its Program

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A non-profit dance studio is expanding its program. It's a Puerto Rican cultural experience, but they're adding contemporary dance moves into the mix. That's because some families in the area don't have the funds to send their kids to formal dance lessons.

The hope is that by adding contemporary dance classes, students will have a better shot at making it on to their high school dance teams.

"So what we're doing here at the Puerto Rican Cultural Center is not only teaching the folklore, which is the soul of the people and exciting and joyful music that is tradition, but we're also teaching them those kinds of skills to help them better compete in dance team programs," said Ana María Tekina-eiró Maynard, Puerto Rican Folkloric Dance & Cultural Center.

The Puerto Rican Folkloric Dance and Cultural Center is located in East Austin and welcomes students of all levels of dancing experience.