Young dancers off on dream trip

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THREE local girls are part of a six-girl team heading to Ningbo, China, as part of a massive performing arts festival.

Stefanie McClennahan, 16, from Quakers Hill High School, Sabrina Charters, 14, from Kellyville High School and Richard Levett, 11, from Kellyville Primary School are preparing for a trip of a lifetime.

The team will be visiting three cities as part of the festival and hope all the rehearsals at Rouse Hill High School pay off.

The girls believe they have been able to learn a lot from choreographer Kim Rhodes, considering they had all been dancing since they were preschoolers.

Producer Lance Roma said the trip was an amazing opportunity.

"These are western Sydney's best six dancers," he said.

"The style of dances include broadway, contemporary and jazz.

"The broadway piece is a Chicago-inspired number while the contemporary is a journey about leaving home and coming back.

"With a window of opportunity, the girls performed the broadway piece at the Pulse Festival recently."

Stefanie McClennahan and Sabrina Charters. Picture: CARMELO ROCHE