



COMPETITION HANDBOOK

CONGRATULATIONS YOU ARE APART OF THIS
YEARS ON POINTE DANCE CENTRE
COMPETITION TEAM!!!!!!

WE HOLD OUR TEAMS WORK ETHIC IN THE
HIGHEST REGARD. BY BEING A MEMBER OF
OUR COMPETITION TEAM, YOU ARE EXPECTED
TO PUT FORTH 100% AT ALL TIMES. THE TEAM
ONLY GROWS AND PROGRESSES WITH HARD

WORK, DETERMINATION, COMMITMENT AND A TRUE LOVE AND PASSION FOR THE ART. YOU ARE A LEADER AT THE STUDIO AND ARE EXPECTED TO HOLD THAT REGARD AT ALL TIMES.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ARE GUIDELINES THAT OUR COMPETITION MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO FOLLOW THROUGHOUT THE DANCE YEAR.

Attendance:

Attendance is taken very seriously and will affect your place in dances as well as on the Competition Team. Attendance in all classes taken by competition team members, as well as extra rehearsals, are required and mandatory.

- Team members are only allowed 4 absences on competition rehearsals days.
- After your 3rd absence you will be on probation and your spot in that dance will be shifted.
- After the 4th absence you will be removed from that dance.
- Please try not to miss 2 weeks in a row.
- Classes that are mandatory for On Pointe Competition Members are:
 - Ballet or Ballet/Tap combo
 - 2 Combo Technique Class
 - Leaps/Turns/Jumps class
 - Stretch and Strength class before company rehearsal
- Please do not come to your solo/duet/trio lesson and then miss your regular class.

Required Technique Classes:

- As a competition member you are required to take Ballet, 2 technique classes or BT combo class.
- Also required leaps/turns/jumps and stretch and strength for a discounted \$10 a month.

Attendance for Extra Rehearsals:

- Extra rehearsals are a MANDATORY part of Competition as we prepare each dancer for the competing stage. Extra rehearsals will not start until December or January. Please give your conflicts during the months of January, February, March, and April ASAP.
- COMPETITION DRESS REHEARSAL – this extra rehearsal is a true dress rehearsal. FULL COSTUME AND MAKEUP IS REQUIRED. Parents/guardians are more than encouraged to come and watch their dancers perform and prepare for the stage. This is a great team building opportunity. It not only gives us a great idea of what each dance will look like, it also gets the Competition Team excited for their up-and-coming competitions. There is a per DANCER fee associated with this rehearsal.

Attendance for Competitions:

- It is expected that all dancers participate in all 3-4 mandatory competitions. The dates of these competitions will be determined by no later than August/September.
- We understand some events are scheduled well in advance that may conflict with a competition. Let us know as soon as possible and we will try to avoid them, but we cannot guarantee it will work out. If conflicts arise you will remain responsible for all the competition costumes and fees. There are no exceptions including family vacations, school activities, or family events.

Other Rules and Behaviors that reflect On Pointe Dance Centre:

- Dance Attire: Appropriate dance attire must be worn for all required team classes with correct required shoes. Hair should be pulled back and off face. No t-shirts or sweatshirts are allowed unless during warm-up of class.
- Peer Critiques: Please leave all dance critiques and criticisms to your qualified instructor. Do not critique your teammates.
- Respect/Support: Respect and courtesy is expected. Gossiping about other team members, instructors, or other studios or excluding members will not be tolerated. We are here to learn and promote team unity. Treat all others like you want to be treated. Please also be supportive of all teammates, dancers or other studios. This is for parents and dancers. All competitions are simply opinions of judges for that day and the results would be different on another day with other judges.
- Facility: Team members are expected to treat the studio with respect and keep all common areas free of dance bags, food, and drinks.
- Outside Facility: Team members are expected to be polite and respect the other businesses in our complex. You should never be disrespectful, loud, or unruly at any time while visiting these businesses. Any complaints will not be tolerated.
- Cell Phones: Cell phones are not allowed in the classrooms during class, during rehearsals, or on stage at competition. Cell phones are only allowed on breaks. If phones are used during restricted times instructors may take away the phone for the duration of the class or competition.
- Substance Abuse: The health and safety of our dancers is our number 1 priority. We do not allow any tobacco or alcohol use on our premises. Any violations to this rule will be dealt in an appropriate manner, including removing a dancer from a routine, as well as other consequences to be decided by On Pointe Dance Centre's staff and parents.
- Communication with Staff: If you have an issue, please come in and discuss with us your problem. Many times, there is information that affects our decisions, and we can explain better in person, or you may shed light on something we are unaware of.

Requirements:

- All competition members are required to attend the July Technique Intensive
- All competition members are required to take the August Choreography Session to learn competitive routines.
- All competition members are required to attend their specific competition class times. These times are specific and are subject to change. Please always refer to the competition board for class times.
- All competition members are required to participate in extra rehearsals, dress rehearsal, conventions, competitions, and recital.

Please have all commitment forms filled out ASAP

Note: These requests will try to be fulfilled but cannot be promised as teachers and choreographers could have different ideas.

COMPANY DATES TO REMEMBER: MANDATORY REHEARSALS

6 Extra Rehearsals Sundays 11-2 DATES: TBD -\$10 per practice

Dress Rehearsal (\$50 per dancer)

Place: Westside High School Date TBD

Competitions/Dates: 4 MANDATORY

Fundraiser events – refer to parent committee TBD

Costume and competition estimates will be available upon request, but costume statements for competition and recital along with a competition fee statement will be handed out in October/November and December for Competition Team members.

Class Dates/Times and Tuition Fee Information

Saturday Schedule – Please refer to Saturday Schedule Sheet (will be handed out in August)

COMPANY AUGUST SESSION DATES AND TUITION FEES: August -

AUGUST FEES ARE BASED ON HOW MANY ROUTINES

1-2 ROUTINES IS 1 HOUR - \$100

5-6 ROUTINES IS 3 HOURS - \$300

3-4 ROUTINES IS 2 HOURS - \$200

7-8 ROUTINES IS 4 HOURS - \$400

COMPETITION SEASON SEPT-MAY TUITION INFORMATION AND DUE DATES

Ø COMPETITION CLASSES/DANCES ARE \$40 FOR EACH GROUP ROUTINE THE COMPETITION DANCER IS IN.

Ø THESE CLASSES WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAYS SEPTEMBER THROUGH MAY. CLASS TIMES CAN AND WILL VARY DEPENDING ON NEEDS OF DANCERS, INSTRUCTORS AND ROUTINES.

Ø PLEASE ALWAYS REFER TO THE COMPETITION BOARD AND EMAILS FOR INFORMATION REGARDING CLASS TIMES.

Ø PLEASE NOTE THAT EACH DANCER WILL BE GIVEN A SCHEDULED LUNCH BREAK FOR 30-45 MINUTES. YOU ARE NOT CHARGED FOR THIS TIME.

COMPETITION COSTUME DEPOSITS ARE DUE – OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER

COMPETITION COSTUME STATEMENT HANDED OUT IN DECEMBER

COMPETITION COSTUME BALANCE IS DUE BY – JANUARY 31

COMPETITION STATEMENT HANDED OUT DECEMBER 1

COMPETITION FEES ARE DUE 90 DAYS BEFORE EACH COMPETITION

EXTRA ROUTINE OPTIONS

SOLO/DUETS/TRIOS ARE DECIDED BY STUDENTS AND INSTRUCTORS BASED ON THEIR SPECIAL REQUEST FORM AND ARE A SEPARATE FEE PER MONTH PER ROUTINE. PLEASE REFER TO THE SOLO/DUET/TRIO COST ESTIMATE SHEET FOR DETAILS.

Solo - \$95 per MONTH/per dancer

Duo - \$50 per MONTH/per dancer

Trio - \$40 per MONTH/per dancer

