

DANA'S DANCE ACADEMY CURRICULUM

CREATIVE MOVEMENT:(Age 2) develops coordination, rhythm and motor skills using movement, music and dance. Stimulates imagination.

TAP/BALLET/GYM (T/B/G), TAP/BALLET (T/B), TAP/ BALLET/JAZZ (T/B/J), TAP/ BALLET/JAZZ (T/B/J/Hip-hop): is a combination of the various styles of dance.

THE FOLLOWING CLASSES WILL INCLUDE TECHNIQUE, TERMINOLOGY, HISTORY, COMBINATIONS AND OR VARIATIONS IN THE CLASS.

BALLET: is the basis for all dance. It should be studied with the other forms of dance. All classical styles are introduced.

PRE-POINTE: is a preparation class for BEGINNING pointe. Open to anyone interested in pointe work. At least two years of ballet is recommended.

JAZZ: develops versatility in the various styles including lyrical, classical, musical theater and hip-hop.

TAP: develops coordination and rhythmic abilities. Various tap styles are introduced.

GYMNASTICS/CHEERLEADING: concentration on floor exercise. Good preparation for drill team, cheerleading and athletics.

HIP-HOP: more freestyle than jazz, however, based in jazz curriculum and terminology.

STRETCH/CONDITIONING: concentration on specific strengths for conditioning the body is instilled in all classes.

DRILL TEAM/JAZZ/MUSICAL THEATER: concentration on specific technical aspects of dance to enhance drill team performance and stage performance.

ADULT TAP, BALL ROOM, SALSA, BALLET FOLKLORICO AND BELLY DANCING: offered through specialized instructors.

DANCE SESSIONS:

Fall/Spring session runs August through June. Summer Dance Classes run during July. Class space will be reserved when the registration fee is received. Students are responsible for full month's tuition. Regular attendance is essential for proper dance development. There are no refunds for missed lessons or holidays. You may make up a missed class, within the current monthly pay period by attending another class suitable for you. Please call the academy if you miss and wish to make up a class. *If you have a change in address or phone number, or decide to drop please notify the office or you will be financially responsible for monthly tuition and accrued late fees.*

ATTIRE: All students should be appropriately dressed and ready to begin class on time. Clothing can be purchased at Toys R Us, Target, Wal-Mart, Capezio in Dallas, Danceapoolaza, the dance wear shop in Grapevine Mills & Payless Shoes.

DANCERS: Girls – leotards and tights *

Boys – plain “T” shirt tucked into dance pants or dance shorts

GYMNASTS: Girls – leotards and bare legs

Boys – plain “T” shirt and stretch shorts

***ALL BALLET STUDENTS 8 YEARS OLD & ABOVE:** You may wear a solid color leotard, any style & light pink, matte finish tights. Skirts may be worn. Dance sweaters may be worn during warm-up and/or barre. NO recital costumes are allowed and girls may not wear "T" shirts in class. All students must wear cover up garments to and from the Academy.

HAIR: should be tied securely away from face (ballet students should have hair in a bun). No big jewelry, no chewing gum or food or drinks are allowed in the classroom.

SHOES:

Ballet and Creative Movement:

Girls – pink ballet slippers with elastic

Boys – black ballet slippers with elastic

Teacher in class will cut ties on ballet shoes

Jazz:

Girls – shoes or boots and color are at the discretion of each teacher

Boys – black jazz oxford.

Tap:

Black: tap heels by teacher recommendation. The teacher in class will replace ties with elastic.

Gymnastics: barefoot or acrobatic shoes

OBSERVATION:

In order to eliminate as many distractions as possible, special observation times are held during the year. The dates will be posted at DDA the week prior to observations. Please wait to observe the students until these special times.

INCLEMENT WEATHER:

Please call the Academy to see if classes will be held.

HOLIDAYS:

All major public school holidays are observed. This includes Memorial and Labor Day.

SPRING PERFORMANCE:

The annual Academy performance is presented in June. Dress rehearsals are the Thursday, Friday or Saturday prior to the performance and they are **MANDATORY**. Absence will constitute possible dismissal from the dance. **COSTUME PAYMENTS ARE TO BE PAID IN FULL BY NOVEMBER**. Late fees will go into effect in December. We encourage you to start payments in September, if you think you may need to space them out. If you register in January, costumes must be paid in full when you register. You may pick up a costume sheet in the office, which must be filled out and turned in with your payment so correct costumes can be ordered. Children's costumes size 2 - 8 are \$65.00. Sizes 10 – adult large are \$70.00 and adult extra-large costumes are \$75.00. Combination classes will have one costume and one dance. There is a non-refundable performance fee of \$50.00 per person (each dancer in the family is discounted by \$10.00) due March 1, which is necessary to reserve theater space.

TUITION:

All tuition is non-refundable and payable in advance, due on the **FIRST** of each calendar month. Please bring your tuition in during the last week of the month, or mail it in before the first. **THERE IS A \$10.00 LATE CHARGE** for payments received after the tenth and a **\$15.00 LATE CHARGE** after the fifteenth of the month. There is a non-refundable \$27.00 registration fee, per student. All tuition is based on an average of four lessons per month. When fifth weeks occur, there is no extra charge. If a student drops and wishes to return, they must pay the \$27.00 fee to register again. Class space is not guaranteed. A student's place in class will only be held through two absences, unless we are otherwise notified of extenuating circumstances.

**TUITION IS CHARGED ON A MONTHLY BASIS
(AUGUST and JUNE for 2006-07 are 1/2 MONTH TUITION)**

One 30 minute class per week.....\$42.00 per month
One 45 minute class per week.....\$44.00 per month
Single subject 60 minute class per week.....\$46.00 per month
Multiple subject 60 minute class per week...\$48.00 per month
Single subject 90 minute class per week.....\$52.00 per month
Multiple subject 90 minute class per week...\$55.00 per month
Each additional class per week.....\$24.00 per month

Family rates:

2nd student in family (1st class).....\$28.00 per month
3rd student in family (1st class).....\$25.00 per month
4th student in family (1st class).....\$24.00 per month
Additional classes are billed at the regular class rate of \$24.00 per month
Registration per student.....\$27.00
Single classes or pay-by-the-class.....\$22.00

DDA performs at several locations during the year. If you choose to perform there is a \$5.00 charge per rehearsal hour and a minimum charge of \$10.00 for costume rental if needed. These fees are necessary to fund additional overhead and performance related costs not included in the monthly budget.

****There is a \$25.00 charge for all returned checks. ****

After two NSF checks you must pay with cash or money order.

If a class does not meet the minimum enrollment, the students who are enrolled may be re-assigned to another class or the cost of the class will go to \$50.00 per month.

Thank you for being a part of Dana's Dance Academy and for giving us the opportunity to teach the art of dance to our students. As dance educators, it is very important to us that each student is provided with the best in dance education. Although all students will not pursue professional dance careers, proper training is of lasting value.

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