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Studio Guidelines

We would like to welcome you to the 2017 - 2018 school year at Dance Designs! We hope that you enjoy your studies here and that you appreciate the beauty, creativity and discipline that dance will provide. There are a few guidelines that we would like you to adhere to. These rules are enforced so that all students may benefit from an organized and professional environment for their studies.

- All students must be dressed appropriately. Check our dress code carefully before you purchase your items to ensure you choose the correct shoes!
- No gum chewing, no food or beverages (aside from water) are permitted in the studios or dressing rooms.
- Please do not leave food and beverages around. All of us can appreciate beautiful, clean well-kept studios, bathrooms and overall facilities, but we need you to help keep it this way. We have garbage and recycling cans in the lobby for your convenience!
- Since we do not permit people to observe classes, each class is shown in the lobby via closed-circuit television.
- There are parent visitation weeks scheduled throughout the school year. This is your opportunity to witness your student's progress first-hand! Please check your calendar for the dates.
- When dropping off or picking up students, please do not double park or block the driveway.
- When inclement weather occurs, please call the studio. If the school is closed it will be announced on the voicemail at least 2 hours prior to your class. It will also be posted on our Facebook page, so make sure to "Like" us!
- Our teachers and staff strive create an encouraging, happy environment for all of our dancers. Help us by encouraging positive attitudes in yourself and your dancer.

Please make a note: Steady progress can only be accomplished with regular, punctual attendance and PRACTICE. Students entering class late may be asked to sit out. If a student can join in without disrupting the entire class and there is still ample time for warm-up, they may be allowed to participate. It is the teacher's discretion as to whether or not a late student can participate.



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Dress Code

- **Rising Star**-Pink leotard, pink tights, pink leather ballet slippers (laces knotted and tucked in), and black patent leather tap shoes (with snaps, velcro, or elastic and laces removed). Hair pulled back.
- <u>Tumble Hop</u>-Leotards, tights, or any other lycra outfit that will allow body alignment to be easily seen, bare feet. Hair pulled back.
- <u>Tap/Ballet</u>-Light Blue leotards, pink tights, pink leather ballet slippers (laces knotted and tucked in), and black patent leather tap shoes (with snaps, velcro, or elastic and laces removed). Hair pulled back.
- **Jazz/Hip Hop** Any lycra outfit or comfortable workout clothes, black jazz sneakers. Hair pulled back.
- Modern/Contemporary/Lyrical
 -Leotards, stirrup or footless tights, or any other lycra outfit that will
 allow body alignment to be easily seen, bare feet, FootUndeez, or Pirouette shoes. Hair pulled back.
- <u>Jazz/Jazz Stunts/Acro-</u> Any lycra outfit or comfortable workout clothes that will allow body alignment to be easily seen. Leotards are recommended for Acro classes. Tan slip on jazz shoes. Hair pulled back.
- <u>Tap</u>- Any lycra outfit or comfortable workout clothes that will allow body alignment to be easily seen, tan tap (not patent leather) shoes. Dancers in an Int. Level or higher may need other shoes; contact teacher. Hair pulled back.
- <u>Ballet</u>- Black leotards, pink tights, pink ballet slippers (laces knotted and tucked in). Hair pulled back in a bun.
- <u>Hip Hop/Da Funk</u>- Clean sneakers reserved for class and performances only (Converse All Stars "Chuck Taylors" or other basketball sneakers in black with a white sole). Any lycra outfit or comfortable workout clothes, hair pulled back. No jeans, please! Knee pads may be requested by the teacher.
- Hoop earrings, necklaces, large rings or other items that may cause injury may NOT be worn in any class.
- No student will be permitted to take class in only socks or tights. It is a safety hazard. Appropriate shoes or bare feet are a safer option.
- Dancers dressed inappropriately may be asked to sit out for their own safety and the safety of their classmates.