

## **STUDIO POLICIES**

### **REGISTRATION**

We ask that a registration form be filled out annually for each student. Information changes throughout the year and we must keep everything up to date. An annual registration fee of \$50.00 will be charged to process each student and place them into a class. If you have registered for the prior Summer Program and paid a registration fee, you do NOT have to pay the fee again. This fee is only once a school year.

### **TUITION**

All students are charged per month and the tuition is based on how many hours a student takes per week in a four week monthly period. The monthly tuition is due the first class of each month. If tuition is paid after the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month a \$25.00 late fee will be charged. If a student goes beyond two months without paying, they will be suspended from class.

### **ABSENCE**

A student who takes class regularly will gain the most from our program. But if a student should miss class for any reason, we do have make up classes available in the lower levels. Students in Junior and Senior companies are already discounted so they are covered for absences. We do not pro-rate tuition for any reason.

## **OBSERVANCE**

We strongly discourage parents from sitting in the classroom. It is a disruption for the teacher who will be working very hard to keep each student focused. We have a very comfortable waiting area for the parents in the mall with plenty of shopping, restaurants, and beautiful views of the harbor. No student will be permitted to leave at the end of class without a parent or designated guardian. If a young student is taking class for the first time, we will permit the parent to stay a short time to help the student orient to the classroom. We ask that parents pick up their children on time.

## **DRESS CODE**

Students should carry hair products in their bags including hair ties, hair nets, bobby and hair pins, hair spray and gel. All student's hair must be securely tied back for every class. For every class, with the exception of Hip-hop, students should be wearing proper dance clothes and foot attire. Pre-school and Mini classes may wear leotards in any color. Small tutus and attached skirts are accepted. Tights may be in any color. They will need pink ballet shoes and black patent tap shoes. Please be certain that the shoes fit properly. Shoes that are too big, which may give growing room, are too hard to dance in and may cause body alignment problems. Tap shoes may cause blisters. We recommend that students wear tights or socks with their tap shoes.

Petite, Junior and Senior Company have a definite dress code for ballet class. Black leotards, pink tights only and pink ballet and or Pointe shoes for the girls. Short ballet skirts are permitted but booty shorts are not. Girls hair must be secured in a bun to allow the dancer to turn. No pony tails and no bangs. Boys are to wear black shorts with a white t-shirt and black ballet shoes. If boys have long hair, they must have it secured. There should be no jewelry worn in class except for small earrings.

For modern class, jazz class and tap class, students may wear their choice of dance wear with the proper shoes. In acrobatic and gymnastics class, students are to wear fitted dancewear and bare-feet. Street wear is accepted in Hip-hop class. The studio now has “cubby holes” for students to place their personal belongings. Please be sure to check you cubby hole before you depart from the studio.

### **PERFORMANCES**

Most of our students participate in two performances a year: a Christmas show in mid- December and the Spring Recital in June. The Christmas performance is usually simply- costumed, with ordered dancewear, that the student may later wear in class. The Spring Recital is a bit more elaborate. A costume deposit is due after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year with the balance to be paid by April 15<sup>th</sup>. Pre-School and Mini students usually need two costumes which range from \$50.00 to \$70.00 each.

### **HOLIDAYS**

At the beginning of the fall season we publish a calendar with the times that we will not have class due to holidays. We take time off for Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter. We do not take time off during the ski break, Columbus Day, Veteran’s Day etc. Holiday time is made up during months that have five weeks instead of four.

**We look forward to your participation in our programs and we are confident that your student is getting the best dance and performing art education anywhere in the country.**