



The Dance Corner Company Contract 2011-2012

Placement

Placement in The Dance Corner's Company is based on the following criteria: technique, potential, commitment level, enthusiasm, attitude and behavior in class, attendance and stage presence. Company members are placed in one of the five company levels based on ability, not on age or class level. We place students together in groups that we feel will work the best together in rehearsal and performance. Company members will be chosen by Miss Carrie and Dance Corner instructors, and will be invited into the appropriate Company Class.

Attendance & Time Commitment

A dance company is a team. Just as sports teams require all players to attend practices, dance companies require their dancers to attend all classes and rehearsals. Absences will hold back not only the individual dancer, the company as a whole.

Each dancer is allowed up to **5 absences** from Company classes and rehearsals and any dance class per dance year, after which, the dancer may be removed from the Company. This applies to medical absences as well as other reasons. Dance requires consistent ongoing training, and dancers who miss several classes due to illness or injury, or any other reason will not be able to compete at the same level as those who have attended classes regularly. All Company members must be present in all classes (not just company class) and rehearsals the week prior to every performance and competition. Please do not consider being a part of The Dance Corner Company if missing a trip to the mall with your friends is going to be an issue, or if you expect scheduling conflicts with other sports or activities. **Regular attendance in all dance classes is expected of Dance Company members. More than 5 absences from any one dance class may be cause for removal from the Company.**

Company class times for the 2011- 2012 Dance year are as follows:

Company I- Fridays, 4:00-5:00

Company II- Fridays, 4:00-5:00

Company III- Fridays, 5:00-6:00

Company IV- Fridays, 6:00-7:00

Production Company- Wednesdays, 5:30-6:30

Tap Company I- Tuesdays, 7:30-8:30

Tap Company II- Fridays, 5:00-6:00

Lyrical Company- Saturdays, 11:00-12:00

Students will not be required to attend company classes during school vacation weeks unless there is a competition on the weekend following the vacation week.

Company members are required to take 2 one-hour dance classes per week as well as their assigned Company class. All dance company members are required to attend one Ballet class or Technique class each week. Jazz class is required for all Jazz & Production company members. Lyrical class and Ballet are required for all Lyrical Company members. Tap Class is required for all Tap company members.

The Dance Corner Company will attend 2-4 competitions and performances throughout the year. Please be aware that becoming a company member will obligate you to these performances and competitions. All competitions are held on weekends and are a FULL DAY and possibly A FULL WEEKEND COMMITMENT. The competition management does not send performance time and day information to the contestants until 5-7 days prior to the competition. So you will need to be available for the entire weekend until we know whether you are dancing on Saturday, Sunday or both.

Extra rehearsals may be called during competition season (February-May). Extra rehearsals will be held on Saturdays, Sundays or at other times that the class schedule permits. Students and



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parents will be notified of any additional rehearsal times at least one week prior to the date. Miss Carrie will make best efforts to schedule additional rehearsals well in advance.

I agree to enroll in all required classes and to attend all Company classes, rehearsals, competitions and performances.

I understand that excess absences may result in my not being able to participate in an event or even removal from the company. I do not anticipate scheduling conflicts with sports or other activities.

Parent & Student initials: _____

Courtesy and Respect

Being a member of the Dance Company is a privilege. All Company members will be held to the highest standards of conduct. Company members must show courtesy and respect to teachers and other students at the studio. Any student who exhibits repeated disrespectful behavior to teachers or other students will be asked to leave The Dance Company.

I agree to treat all Dance Corner teachers and students with courtesy and respect.

Parent & Student initials: _____

Dress Code

Dance Company members must wear appropriate dancewear to every dance class. Forgetting dancewear, shoes, hair being down and/ or wearing inappropriate clothing will not be tolerated. The dress code for the Dance Company is as follows:

Solid colored leotard and pink, black or tan tights

Black jazz pants or form-fitting shorts are optional for jazz and tap and must be approved by the instructor.

Ballet Skirts (optional)

NO T-SHIRTS, SWEATSHIRTS OR BAGGY PANTS

Hair must be securely pulled back for every class

Appropriate shoes are required for all classes.

I agree to be prepared for every class as this dress code guide states: hair back, appropriate dancewear and shoes.

Parent & Student initials: _____

Financial

Tuition for company members varies depending on the number of classes they take. All Dance Company members are required to attend a weekly Company class. The tuition for an hour long company class is \$27/ month and no discounts apply. For students who are members of more than one Company group the cost of the 2nd and 3rd company classes will be reduced by 30%. Students will not be charged for additional rehearsals.

Competition entry fees vary depending on the size of the group and which competition we attend. A general example is: \$30-\$35/ dance. These fees are per person and are due upon receipt of the invoice. A \$10 late charge will be assessed on all entry fee invoices more than 10 days past due.

Costumes could range from \$50-\$70. Not all groups will be required to purchase an additional costume for competition. In order to keep costs down, Miss Carrie will try to use the same costumes that students will wear for their recital dance or use last year's costumes. Costume choices for each group will be based on the instructor/ choreographer's vision of the dance.



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A specific shoe color for each Company level may be required at the beginning of each dance year. Miss Carrie and the instructors will try to avoid changing shoe colors every year. **To ensure that all Company members have the same style and color shoes, Company members must purchase their shoes from The Dance Corner.**

I understand the financial obligations and know what to expect as a member of The Dance Corner Company.

Parent & Student initials: _____

Acknowledgement Statement

Both dancer and parent have read and understood all that is expected as a member of The Dance Corner Company. We understand that these rules are created to ensure the absolute best training and most positive and rewarding experience for all. Both dancer and parent understand that failure to meet the conditions set forth in this contract could result in the dancer's dismissal from The Dance Company.

Student Printed Name: _____

Student
Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Printed Name: _____

Parent
Signature: _____ Date: _____