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2011-2012 Information Packet

Please take a moment to get acquainted with our policies.
This packet contains the information you need to know for the entire
2011-2012 season.

Please keep it handy.

You can also visit us online for the most up to date information at
www.dancespectrum.net

The Dance Spectrum is excited for you to join us for our 33rd year of dance education. Once again, we will offer excellent instruction, positive examples of leadership, and a safe friendly environment in which your child is able to learn.

Patty Neal

Class Placement

- Your child will be placed into class according to their age and ability.
- If class enrollment does not exceed ten students, the class will be cancelled and students will be assigned to a different class.

Registration Fee

- A Non-Refundable Registration fee and the first months tuition is due at the time of registration.**
\$35.00 single student, \$60.00 family (2 students living at the same address),
\$80.00 family (3 or more students living at the same address)

Tuition

- Tuition is a course fee based on a 32 week season, and charged by the length of the lessons.
(Complete tuition breakdowns available in the office)
Example:

45 minute lesson per week	\$380/season (\$38/ten payments)
1 hour lesson per week	\$428/season (\$42.80 /ten payments)
1 1/2 hours of lessons per week	\$623/season (\$62.30/ten payments)
2 hours of lessons per week	\$806/season (\$80.60/ten payments)
- Tuition is divided into 10 equal payments. **The first payment is due at the time of registration.**
- All tuition payments are due on or before the 1st of each month. (EFT payments can be set up in the office)
- Accounts may be paid in cash, check, or Visa, Master Card, and Discover.
- Any tuition payments made after the 10th of the month will receive a \$10.00 late charge. **NO EXCEPTIONS**
- Students who fall more than two months behind on payments will not be allowed to take class until the account is brought up to date, including late fees.
- Boys always dance for 50% off the regular price.
- Dance Spectrum parents always dance at 25% off the regular price.
- Discounts for additional children available



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Returned Checks

- Any checks returned from the bank, or EFT payments returned for ISF will receive a \$30.00 service charge.
After 2 returned checks, your account must be paid in cash.

Costume Fees

- Costumes are required for each routine that a student will be performing in the June showcase.
- A non-refundable costume fee is due with Tuition #3 (November 1st 2011)
- Any costume fees paid after November 10th 2011 will receive a \$10.00 late charge, per costume, per month.

Combination Classes & Pee Wee Acro	\$58.00
Combo 2 or 3 plus Add-A-Ballet (2 Costumes)	\$70.00
Combo 3 plus Add-A-Ballet and Tap (3 Costumes)	\$85.00
All Recreational Classes	\$73.00
Competitive Classes	\$88.00

Private Lessons for Technique or Choreography

- Solos, Duets, & Trios are given at the discretion of the faculty based on the ability of the dancer.
- Detailed information & applications are available in the office.
- Any student applying for a private lesson must be currently enrolled in that subject as well as a weekly Ballet class.

Rehearsal Fee

- \$35.00 rehearsal fee (per family) is due with Tuition #8 (April 1st 2012).
- Rehearsal fees paid after April 10th 2012 will receive a \$10.00 late fee.
- This fee covers the rehearsal held at the Dance Spectrum and the Dress rehearsal at the Shea's Performing Arts Center. Each family receives 2 general admission tickets for the dress rehearsal. For security reasons, admission is limited. (**1 ticket for the dancer and 1 ticket for one Parent**). Each family will receive 2 souvenir program books.

Recital Dates at the Shea's Performing Arts Center

- Sat. 6/16/12 11am Children's Showcase
- Sat. 6/16/12 3pm Private Lesson Showcase
- Sat. 6/16/12 7pm Competition Showcase
- Sun. 6/17/12 1pm Recital Showcase

Recital Tickets

- Recital tickets go on sale Saturday May 19, 2012 and are purchased directly from the Shea's box office, online at www.ticketmaster.com, charge by phone, or at any ticketmaster locations. Ticket prices are \$19.00, \$17.00, and \$15.00. This includes a Shea's restoration fee.

Scheduled Vacations Days

- Thanksgiving Recess November 21 - 26, 2011
- Holiday Recess December 20 - Jan. 2, 2012
- February Break February 20 - 25, 2012
- Staff Development March 13 - 14, 2012
- Easter Break April 2 - April 14, 2012
- Memorial Weekend May 25 - 28, 2012

Snow Days

- For weather related closings check the DS web site (www.dancespectrum.net), DS Facebook page, or tune to TV stations WGRZ, WKBW, WIVB, or radio stations WBEN930, WGR55 & WKSE.

Parents Watch Week

- There will be two opportunities for you to watch your child during class this year. We ask that younger siblings do not attend Watch Week. We have found that the younger children have a difficult time sitting still and they can disrupt the class. We have found this offers your child the best environment for a quality education.
- Nov. 28 - Dec 3, 2011 classes held in studio #2 & #4
- Dec. 5 - Dec. 10, 2011 classes held in studio #1 & #3
- April 23 - April 28, 2012 classes held in studio #2 & #4
- April 30 - May 5, 2012 classes held in studio #1 & #3

Absenteeism

- Thank you for your commitment to attendance. It helps to maintain class dynamic throughout the year.
- Proper technique are accomplished through practice and patience.
- It is the students responsibility to attend all classes, therefore, reductions cannot be made for missed classes.
- If a student is unable to attend class, PLEASE call the studio @ 668-1954

Drop Off - Pick Up

- The Dance Spectrum cannot be responsible for the care of students before or after class. Do not drop off your child more than 15 minutes before class and pick up your child as soon as class is over.
- For the children's safety, we ask that parents come into to studio to pick up your dancer. We do not allow children to go into the parking lot without an adult. Parents are asked to park in an appropriate spot in the parking lot.
- **PLEASE DO NOT PARK AT THE CURB.**

Teacher Conferences/Questions

- The faculty will be happy to assist or address any concerns you may have. Please call or e-mail the studio to arrange a time to talk.
- **PLEASE DO NOT DELAY THE FACULTY BETWEEN CLASSES.**

Security

- The Dance Spectrum is NOT responsible for lost or stolen items. Please do not bring valuables to class.

2011- 2012 Important Dates

Classes Begin	Sept, 12, 2011	Parents Week Studio #2 & #4	April 23-April28, 2012
Tuition #2 Due	Oct. 1, 2011	Parents Week Studio #1 & #3	April 30-May 5,2012
Tuition #3 and Costume fees Due	Nov. 1, 2011	Tuition #9 Due	May 1, 2012
Studio Closed-Thanksgiving	Nov. 21 - 26, 2011	Picture Week	May 7-12, 2012
Tuition #4 Due	Dec. 1, 2011	Tickets go on sale	May 19, 2012
Parents Week Studio #2 & #4	Nov. 28 - Dec 3, 2011	Studio Closed-Memorial Weekend	May 25-28, 2012
Parents Week Studio #1 & #3	Dec. 5 - 10, 2011	Tuition #10 Due	June 1, 2012
Studio Closed-Holiday Recess	Dec. 20 - Jan 2, 2012	Last Day of Regular Classes	June 9, 2012
Tuition #5 Due	Jan. 1, 2012	Studio Rehearsal @ Dance Spectrum	June 10, 2012
Tuition #6 Due	Feb. 1, 2012	Dress Rehearsal-Children's Show	June 12, 2012
Studio Closed-February Break	Feb. 20 - 25, 2012	Dress Rehearsal-Recital Show	June 13, 2012
Tuition #7 Due	Mar. 1, 2012	Dress Rehearsal-Competition Show	June 14, 2012
Staff Development Day	March 13-14, 2012	Children's Show-11am	June 16, 2012
Tuition #8 & Rehearsal Fee Due	April 1, 2012	Private Lesson Show-3pm	June 16, 2012
Last Day for Patrons	April 21, 2012	Competition Show-7pm	June 16, 2012
Studio Closed-April Break	April 2 - 14, 2012	Recital Show-1pm	June 17, 2012

Shoes and Attire

All dancers should have appropriate shoes by October 1, 2011

Creative Combination Program (3 - 6 yrs)

- C-1 Leotards, Tights (any color)
Pink Ballet Shoes
- C-2 Leotards, Tights (any color)
Pink Ballet Shoes
Black Tie Tap Shoes
- Add-A-Ballet - Pink Ballet Shoes
- C-3 Leotards, Tights (any color)
Pink Ballet Shoes.
- Add-A-Ballet - Pink ballet Shoes
- Add-A-Tap - Black Tie Tap Shoes

Boys Only (3 - 5yrs)

- B-1 Comfortable street clothes (NO Jeans)
Black Oxford Tap Shoes
Clean sneakers (any type)

Ballet

- Girls: Black leotard & Pink or Suntan tights.
Short Ballet skirts are permitted.
Pink Split Sole Ballet Shoes
- Boys: Black dance pants & Black tee shirts
Black Ballet Shoes

Hip Hop

- Boys & Girls
Comfortable Street Clothes (No jeans)
Clean Sneakers (any style)

Tap

- Boys & Girls
Comfortable Dance Clothes (No Jeans)
Black Oxford Tap Shoes

Jazz

- Boys & Girls
Comfortable Form Fitting Dance
Clothes (No Jeans)
Black Oxford Jazz Shoes

Acrobatics

- Boys and Girls
Form Fitting Dance Clothes
Bare Feet

Lyrical

- Boys & Girls
Form Fitting Dance Clothes
Bare Feet, Ballet slippers, or
Foot undies

- *It is recommended that all dancers have a dance bag for their belongings.*
- *Students should write their name in full on all dance bags ,shoes, jackets. (The Dance Spectrum is not responsible for any lost or stolen items)*
- *All Dancers should have a water bottle with them for class.*
- *All female dancers should have their hair pulled back and up for class. (Ballet students must have their hair in a bun or French twist)*
- *Remove all street shoes before walking on the dance floors.*
- *Turn off all cell phones before coming into the classroom.*
- *Food is not allowed in the studios at any time.*
- *It is recommended that students have a notebook for dance steps and terminology . This should be kept in their dance bags at all times.*



Questions or Concerns

Please feel free to contact the Dance Spectrum with any questions or concerns at anytime.

You can reach us at info@dancespectrum.net, 716-668-1954, www.dancespectrum.net, and now on Facebook! Be a friend of DS today!