

DANCE EVOLUTION PARENT/STUDENT AGREEMENT 2021-2022

REGISTRATION FEE

There will be a non-refundable registration fee of \$25.00 for all students unless having participated in summer dance. This must be paid at the time of registration to guarantee your child's spot in his/her class.

MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS

Monthly newsletters will help to keep you informed about upcoming events and reminders. They will be available in the studio or online at www.dance-evolution.com. Monthly newsletters will be emailed to you each month so **please be sure to keep your current email on file.**

ATTENDANCE

Good attendance throughout the year is necessary in order to receive the optimum benefit from each class instruction. Please notify your instructor of any planned absences. In case of an emergency absence, please call 518-899-7800 and leave a message. If for any reason you will need to terminate instruction you must notify us by phone or email. **You will be obligated to pay for the month in which you terminated lessons.** We continue to pay the teachers for the child's class until we know so you will be responsible for payment until we are notified.

STUDIO RECOMMENDATIONS RE: BALLET

Dance Evolution strongly encourages all students to take a Ballet class. Ballet is the foundation for all styles of dance and will improve and enhance the dancer's skills. Competition team dancers are required to take a Ballet class along with a technique class at the studio. The attire for a Ballet Technique class is pink ballet slippers, black leotard, pink tights and hair pulled up in a bun. Students may also wear a skirt or shorts over the leotard if they choose to. This will be strictly enforced during the year.

RETURNED CHECK FEES

There will be a \$35.00 charge for all returned checks. If the studio receives a second returned check from the same account, we will no longer be able to take any additional checks as form of payment.

FOOTWEAR

Instructors will notify students as to which styles/colors of footwear the dancer will be required to wear for each class or will refer you to the correct brand if you are on the competition team. Saratoga Dance will provide any shoes needed for purchase. Please check with your child's instructor regarding the style color and brand needed.

PICTURES

Tentative picture week is TBD. There will be NO instruction on these days, only pictures. All rooms are needed for camera set up and changing. Package and portrait order forms will be available in the office in early May. Photos will be available for pick up either at the studio before recital or during stage rehearsal.

SCHEDULING

Classes will tentatively begin on Monday, September 13th, 2021, and continue weekly until the recital in June 2022. Dance Evolution will be closed on the following dates for the 21-22 season:

Monday, October 11th (Columbus Day)

Thursday, November 11th (Veterans Day)

Wednesday, November 24th - Saturday, November 27th (Thanksgiving break)

Friday, December 24th – Friday, December 31st (Holiday break)

Saturday, January 1st – Sunday, January 2nd (New Year's Day/Holiday Break)

Monday, January 17th (Martin Luther King Day)

Saturday, February 19th - Saturday, February 26th (Winter break)

Friday, April 15th - Saturday, April 23rd (Spring break)

Saturday, May 28th - Monday, May 30th (Memorial Day)

*If school is canceled in the morning due to inclement weather, it does not always mean that we are closed later in the day for dance classes. Please check our website or Facebook page for up to the minute closing information. You can also check the television under the local closings to see if the studio is on there. There will be emails and text messages sent out through the parent portal when we close as well. *

RECITAL INFORMATION

Our annual recital does not have a scheduled day at this time. As soon as we are approved for this event, we will update the information. As we get closer to the recital date, your child will be assigned an evening at the recital location for stage rehearsal (no costumes) to run their routine on the stage for practice. There will be no classes the week of recital and stage rehearsal. In the event of 2 recital shows, we do our best to keep siblings in the same show, but this cannot always be guaranteed.

RECITAL TICKET SALES

Advance ticket sales will be available at Dance Evolution. Later in the year, the date of ticket sales will be announced along with price information. Tickets are reserved seats with a row/number. Proceeds go to the cost of renting the facility, insurance, changing rooms, custodial fees, backdrop, programs, lighting, music and more. A tentative date for ticket sales will be either in April or early May 2022.

YEARLY TUITION

**** Tuition is based on a YEARLY FEE broken down into 10 installments from September through June, regardless of how many lessons take place during the month, with the exception of private lessons. ****

Tuition is due on the first lesson of every month. If tuition is not received by the 12th of the month, a late fee of \$25 will be applied to your account. This is to help ensure that we are able to pay our instructors each month for their services along with our own studio bills. Too many times monthly tuition goes unpaid. If you need to make payment arrangements with the studio, please see the front desk and we will be more than happy to help. If an account becomes 60 days past due, your child will not be able to attend class until tuition is paid in full or arrangements are made. If this should happen, the studio will not be responsible for makeup classes and your account will not be credited for the classes missed. If you should terminate your child's lessons without notifying the studio, you will be responsible for payment up to the date that the studio is notified. This is because we continue to pay the teachers until we are notified of the termination.

Dance Evolution accepts cash, check, and credit cards for monthly payments. **We also offer a monthly auto-payment option with a credit card on file. Please see the attached tuition agreement for this option.**

TUITION FEES

Pre-School 50-minute Class - \$58.00/month

30-minute Recreational Class - \$37.00/month

30-minute Competition Class- \$32.00/month

Competition Saturday Ballet & Tumbling Classes- \$25/lesson once a month

Competition Large Jazz & Large Tap - \$46.00/month for both

20-minute Competition Class - \$25.00/month

60-minute Combination Class of Ballet, Tap or Jazz- \$62.00/month

1 ½ hour Combination Class of Ballet, Tap & Jazz - \$85.00/month

80-minute Ballet Technique Class- All non-competition students \$72.00/month. All competition students \$62.00/month.

60-minute Ballet Technique Class- All non-competition students- \$55.00/month. All competition students- \$50/month.

40-minute Technique Class for Juniors/Older- \$40.00/month – mandatory for competition team.

30-minute Technique Class for the Minis- \$30.00/month - mandatory for the competition team.

20-minute Tap Technique Class for the Minis- \$15.00/month – mandatory for the competition team.

Private Solo lessons - \$20.00 per 20-minute lesson – year commitment*

Private Duo lessons - \$18.00 per 20-minute lesson – year commitment*

Private Trio lessons - \$16.00 per 20-minute lesson – year commitment*

*For all private lessons, please refer to the weekly chart to know how many lessons you will be billed for each month. Please keep in mind that when taking private lessons, you are responsible for that day and time and will be obligated to pay for the lessons even if your child is unable to come to class. It will be at the instructor's discretion to make up the class at a later date. This lesson was put into the schedule to accommodate your child and **it is a year-long commitment in the schedule. You will be billed for all private lessons through the month of June, regardless of termination.**

Dance Evolution will be collecting the 10th and final installment for June in April and May. At the end of the year many people forget that tuition is broken down into 10 installments and it is very difficult to receive final payment after the instructors have been paid for their services. This will help to ensure that we will receive the tuition in a timely manner.

COSTUME INFORMATION

Costume orders begin in October, but sometimes earlier for competition students. We must order early to allow enough time for delivery, size exchanges or alterations if needed (alterations are the responsibility of the parent). If we do not order your child's costume with the original order you will be responsible for the additional shipping charges. Any additional items added to your child's costume such as hats, gloves, socks, props etc., will be an additional charge. When the costumes arrive at the studio students will try them on and a parent or guardian will be responsible to sign for the release of the costume. When taking the costumes home, please be sure to hang them neatly and keep them in a safe place until picture week and recital. We cannot replace any lost or damaged items.

COSTUME PRICES

Every account must pay two **non-refundable** deposits. The first deposit is due **October 1st** and the second one is due **November 1st**. The studio will not be able to order your child's costume if the deposits are not made on time. Prices listed below are the total cost of the costumes (not including tax) and will be paid in split payments in October and November.

Pre-School - \$65.00 plus tax PER costume. They will have two costumes (Ballet & Tap).

30-minute Non-Competition Class - \$65.00 plus tax PER costume. (Example: a one-hour combination class has two costumes so it would be \$65.00 plus tax for each costume. If they take an hour and a half three-way, then there will be 3 costumes at \$65.00 each plus tax.)

30-minute Competition Classes \$75 - \$90 plus tax per costume.

Solo, Duo and Trio Costumes - \$110 plus tax

Lyrical and Contemporary Costumes - \$95.00 plus tax per costume

Young Lyrical (30-minute Class Costumes) - \$75.00 plus tax per costume

Teen Ballet, Tap and Jazz Costumes - \$75.00* plus tax per costume. This also includes Ms. Samantha's & Ms. Schallehn's 12 & up classes. *Costumes from certain catalogs may cost more.

Hip-Hop Costumes - \$75.00 plus tax for the classes ages 10 and under. \$90.00 plus tax for classes ages 11+.

Ballet Technique classes do not have a costume fee. If they do a recital performance, they will be required to have a skirt and leotard.

****In some cases when ordering larger adult sizes, the costume companies charge more for material and therefore we will have to add an additional fee. The above prices may also be subject to change if a costume is higher priced. All props, hair pieces, jewelry, along with tights and shoes are an additional fee.**

****All costume companies charge to return or exchange sizes. If the instructor feels that the costume is a good fit and the parent simply prefers that they have a different size, then the parent will be responsible for the return stock fee and the shipping.**

COVID-19 UPDATES:

In the event that DE needs to return to online classes, DE will continue charging the usual tuition whether your dancer chooses to participate or not. If DE should have to close due to Covid or any new disease, we will run tuition for the month that it should occur in and move forward with online classes at the original scheduled time. DE will notify families in the event of no classes and will not charge tuition in that case.

**DE reserves the right to make any necessary changes to this contract.*

Thank you for choosing Dance Evolution! We look forward to sharing our love and knowledge of dance and making memories with your children. Happy dancing!

**** Information is subject to change. ****

I have read, understand and agree to all the terms and conditions set forth by Dance Evolution for the 2021-2022 dance year.

Signature

Relation to Student

Date

Student's Name(s) (please print)

DANCE EVOLUTION MONTHLY PAYMENT AGREEMENT

I understand that Dance Evolution accepts cash, check and credit card payments for my convenience. I further understand that tuition payments are to be made by the 12th of the current month, after which a late fee of \$25 will be charged to my account. I further affirm that the name and personal information provided during registration are true and correct, and that by signing this document, I agree to pay Dance Evolution.

Signature

Date

DANCE EVOLUTION SOLO/DUO/TRIO AGREEMENT

I understand that by reserving a timeslot in the schedule for my dancer(s) to have a solo, duo or trio lesson, that it is a yearlong commitment through June. If I choose to terminate my contract for any reason, I understand that I will still be responsible for paying for those private lessons.

Signature

Date

AUTO-PAYMENT AGREEMENT

I authorize Dance Evolution to charge my credit card on file for my monthly tuition and costume deposits (October and November) on the 1st of every month. I understand that I am responsible for maintaining a current and authorized credit card on file. If the card should be declined, Dance Evolution will notify me, and I will provide a new card or proper payment. All accounts are subject to a \$25 late charge if not paid by the 12th of the month.

PLEASE PRINT:

Credit Card Type: VISA _____ MC _____ DISCOVER _____ AMEX _____

CC#: _____

Expiration Date: _____

CVV: _____

Name as it appears on card: _____

Authorized Signature: _____