Studio Policies

Studio Etiquette

- 1. In order to facilitate a safe environment and prevent accidents, running is prohibited in the studio. Please help us provide a safe learning environment by ensuring that your dancer and/or siblings are not running around in the lobby areas.
- 2. PLEASE No GUM or CANDY. On occasion, we may have birthday celebrations/parties in the studio. Gum and Candy ultimately get dropped on the floor and creates a very sticky mess which in turn gets on the dance floors. Sticky dance floors can cause injury to our dancers.
- 3. Food is not permitted in the studio due to food/drink/crumbs/trash being left behind. Water bottles are permitted in the studios.
- 4. The lobby areas are provided for our parents' comfort and convenience. It should not be used as a place for negative conversation or rambunctious playtime. Inappropriate behavior from parents or students can be grounds for probation or dismissal. Please set a positive example for your dancer and those around you.
- 5. Restrooms are available for dancers as they are located in the rear of each classroom. If parents/guardians/siblings need to use the restroom, you may be able to use a neighboring business.
- 6. Parents are not permitted in the classrooms unless it is a Parent/Tot class, or you are invited in. We have TV's on the walls so you can see what is going on in the classroom. We know that it can be scary the first time some of our younger dancers are going into a room by themselves. Please let our instructors do what they do best. It is completely normal for some of our younger dancers to cry, to not participate, to sit and watch. All of this is ok. If the crying doesn't stop, we WILL walk the child out to you to calm down and bring them back in when they are ready. All of this is normal and expected. It takes some children longer than others to get comfortable. For littles-Please clap and be proud of what your child accomplishes, no matter how small!
- 7. If your child needs to be let into class or you need to get your child from class early, please see a desk staff member. We will let your dancer into class or retrieve your dancer from class and their belongings for you, as not to disrupt the class.

Classroom Etiquette

- 1. Please be sure all items are labeled. This includes dance bags, all shoes, all clothing. Dance bags with all shoes required for the evenings classes should be taken in with your dancer. The teachers and assistant teachers will help during shoe change time. It is distracting and takes too much time away from instruction if the dancers have to leave the room to change their shoes.
- 2. Only water bottles are allowed in the classrooms.
- 3. Cell phones must be put away in class. We do not allow our dancers to use their cell phones when they should be dancing.
- 4. All students must be respectful of their fellow classmates and belongings.
- 5. No profanity or offensive language will be tolerated.
- 6. EDA instructors, guest instructors, guest choreographers, visitors, etc. are to be treated with respect at all times. This includes not talking in class, listening and following directions.
- 7. Class starts promptly at the time listed on the schedule unless otherwise notified. Dancers are expected to be ready to dance and in the classrooms at that time. There are no dressing rooms available prior to class.

Hair/Jewelry

All dancers are required to have their hair pulled away from their face. Hair should be in a ponytail or bun for ballet classes. If your dancer has short hair, please pull back as much as possible. Hair left down is a distraction to the dancer, their classmates and the instructor.

Jewelry may be worn, but should be kept to a minimum. Small earrings or rings are allowed, but necklaces or earrings that dangle are not. Please keep valuables/jewelry at home. The studio is not responsible for lost, stolen or misplaced items.

Drop off and Pick up

The parking lot is a very busy place. Please - if you are dropping your dancer off, wait until they enter the door to pull off to find a parking space. DO NOT leave your car in the fire lane unattended for any reason. If you walk your dancer in, please park in a parking spot.

Please do not arrive more than 15 minutes before your scheduled dance class, and please be timely picking up your dancer after class. We do not allow young dancers to leave the studios on their own. A parent must be visible before we will allow anyone to leave.