



2020 – 2021

SENIOR DANSE ARTS COMPANY CONTRACT

Mission and Goals

The goal of Danse Arts Company is to allow students an opportunity to perform in public venues in a nurturing environment that not only offers a place to grow as a dancer/performer and build self-esteem, but focuses on professionalism training first and foremost. They will be learning and performing different styles of dance throughout the year. Our courses are designed to enhance the students' performing experience. This company is also to begin the process of instilling professional company "measures" and "tactics" to prepare them for performing professionally

Required Events

- Perform at Cheer for Charity in November
- Perform in winter show in December/January (pending enrollment)
- Attend Guest Artist Workshop at DPA (Date TBD – Fees range from \$100 - \$150)
- Perform in all recital shows in June 2021

In addition to the above events, there are other highly-encouraged performance opportunities throughout the year.

Age Requirements

- Performers for Senior DAC must be in grades 6 – 12 as of September 1, 2020.
- **Audition Required**
- **Sign up for Senior DAC by May 1**

Required Summer Classes (Summer Class Payment due by July 1, 2020)

DAC members must register for the full six-week session of summer classes by the end of Recital Week (June 5, 2020)

- **Required Summer Classes:** Ballet ~ Jazz ~ One Elective ~ DAC Rehearsal Class
 - DAC Rehearsal Class – Wednesdays of Summer Session from 8:15 – 9:15PM
 - All videos from rehearsals will be posted within 24 hours to the DAC Google Classroom
 - The password is: **ylwbkiw**

Required Fall/Spring Classes

DAC members MUST BE REGISTERED for Fall/Spring Classes no later than SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

Students are encouraged to take elective classes beyond their required classes to increase technique, help condition, and become a more versatile dancer.

- **Senior Company Members are required to take:**
 - Ballet
 - Jazz
 - Elective Class
 - Company Rehearsal (Day & Time TBD)

Attendance

- Attendance for scheduled rehearsals is required by all dancers.
- Students are only allowed **2 EXCUSED** absences each semester of DAC and will be given 2 weeks to make up the missed choreography or you will be pulled from dances.

- Absences must be discussed in advance and as soon as possible as well as submitted in writing in the DAC calendar (attached to the DAC board) to make sure it is excused.
- If missing due to an illness, please email Miss Ashley at dpa.ashley.stettes@gmail.com and Miss Debbie at dpa.debbie@gmail.com.
- **Two UNEXCUSED** absences will result in being pulled from the show.
- Students must sign the sign-in sheet for all rehearsals (this includes rehearsals at the theater during show times as well).

Rehearsal Attire

Students are required to wear appropriate clothing to class rehearsals. Tights and a leotard must always be worn, but jazz pants/shorts and dance tops may be worn over them. **Dancers must have all required dance shoes.**

Required Performance and Practice Uniforms

Your **performance leotard, shorts, and leggings** will be stored in the DPA costume closet throughout the year. This will help us avoid the “I forgot mine at home” excuse on the day of shows or performances.

Approximate cost range: \$100 to \$150

Must order these items by September 1 (if needed)

- Performance leotard
- Appropriate dance shoes (tan jazz, pink ballet, etc.)
- Black tap shoes (if you tap)
- Black Leggings
- Black leotard (required for rehearsals)
- Black shorts
- Pink, Tan, and Black Tights
- Optional Team Jacket (\$100) – ordered at beginning of the year

Fees/Expenses

Fees/expenses will be kept to a minimum, but extra incidentals may be incurred throughout the year and may include costumes, transportation, entrance fees to events, etc. Advanced notice will be given and, if needed, payment schedules will be worked out.

- Tuition is due on the **FIRST** of each month. Failure to pay may result in removal from the Company.
- There is a **\$25/month** performance fee in addition to tuition.
- **All members of DAC are required to attend a Guest Artist Workshop held at DPA**
 - Artist and Date to be determined
 - Workshop fee will be between \$125 and \$150

Rehearsal and Show Protocol

- All dancers will sign in on the sign-in sheet upon arrival to all rehearsals and shows (this includes weekly DAC rehearsals).
- Costumes will be assigned prior to the show and must be fully accounted for at the end of dress rehearsals and shows.
 - No dancer will be allowed to leave dress rehearsals or shows until each dancer’s costume pieces, shoes, accessories, etc. are accounted for which can add about 20 minutes onto the night, but it will teach more responsibility, teamwork, and most importantly, train them for the professional world which is the goal of DAC.
 - To help with these new procedures, each dancer will have a personalized laundry basket for tossing her costume pieces and shoes in as we go through dress rehearsals/shows to help keep things from getting lost. At the end of the night, the re-hanging of costumes will be easier and less stressful.
- Students will leave all costume pieces hung in costume bag.



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I have read and understand the policies and guidelines laid out in the Participation Contract. I agree to abide by all rules and requirements and understand the consequences if not followed.

Student Signature

Printed Student Name

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Printed Parent/Guardian Name

Date

Additional Forms to be completed and returned:

Health History Form
Liability Waiver Form
Automatic Payment Form
Registration Form

OFFICE USE ONLY:

EMPLOYEE NAME _____

DATE _____