

DANCE FX

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PARENT & DANCER

HANDBOOK

DEAR PARENTS AND STUDENTS:

Welcome to our *DanceFX* family. To returning students, we are pleased to have you back. To our new students and parents, thank you for choosing us.

We have created a set of guidelines to foster an atmosphere that gives each student the best quality of dance education possible. Please take a moment to read through the material provided and keep it as a reference throughout the year. We ask that you discuss the rules with your child so that he or she can follow them accordingly when at the studio.

It takes a great deal of effort to offer you a diverse array of classes and an eclectic mix of experienced, dedicated teachers. We are pleased to offer classes for every skill level from beginners to advanced. At *DanceFX*, we are doing everything we can to make this year enjoyable for the dancers, parents and teachers. We want your experience to be rewarding and memorable.

We take a personal interest in each and every student who attends *DanceFX*. Please feel free to call, email or leave a note if you have any questions or concerns. We will respond to you in a timely fashion to discuss your child's progress. We look forward to another great year for our returning students and a new beginning for our first-time students.

Sincerely,

Joan Bartoletti

Owner/Director

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Julie Bartoletti

Artistic Director

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TUITION AND FEES

REGISTRATION: There is an annual, non-refundable \$50 registration fee for each new student and a \$30 fee for returning students.

TUITION: Tuition is due in full by the 1st of the month. If paid after the 7th, a \$25 late fee will be applied to your account. A credit card must be on file. We will charge your credit card for any past due amount, plus the late fee. Personal checks are accepted. However, a \$45 service charge will be billed to your account for any returned checks. All *account balances must be paid before you can purchase tickets for the end of the year concert.*

COSTUME FEES: Costumes must be paid for by November 12, 2019. The retail costume costs are listed in the handbook. To avoid a financial burden for those of you with a child or children, in multiple classes, we suggest you make payment prior to the costume fee deadline.

COMMUNICATION THE OPEN CHANNEL

Please check the website at www.dancefxsunrise.com for information throughout the year. Our most frequent form of communication is email. We send out a number of emails every month, providing updates and important information about the happenings at DanceFX. Please be sure to provide a current email address to DanceFX.

At times, we may need to contact you by phone or snail mail. PLEASE NOTIFY US IF YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES IN YOUR PHONE NUMBER OR MAILING ADDRESS.

If you need to speak to us about anything at all, please stop by and see us when classes are not in session or at the end of the day. We will gladly speak with you. You can also email us directly at joan@dancefxsunrise or julie@dancefxsunrise.com.

Please make sure you label your children's dancewear and shoes. That last thing you want is your child's belongings ending up in the land of the lost clothes and shoes. Lost and found will be emptied once a month.

To sign up for Dance FX Remind, text @studio to this number 81010 for weekday classes.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS
2019/2020**

There are many events that take place throughout the year, and we don't want you to miss a single event.

The calendar below will keep you on track:

Studio Closures

2019-2020

Labor Day	September 2	Spring Break	March 22-29
Halloween	October 31	Memorial Day	May 23-25
Thanksgiving	November 25-30	Studio Closed	June 4-6 Recital
Winter Break	December 23- January 5	Studio Closed	July 4-10

Important Studio Events

2019-2020

Costume Payment Due	November 12	Dress Rehearsal 1	June 4
Picture day weekend 1	May 1-3, 2020	Dress Rehearsal 2	June 5
Ticket Sales	April 26, 2020	Recital 1	June 6
Picture day weekend 2	May 15-17, 2020	Recital 2	June 6

Summer Camp & Classes begin

June 8, 2020

GUIDELINES AND RULES

DRESS CODE:

Jazz, Lyrical and Contemporary Dance	No baggy clothes; shoes are the choice of the dancer. Once costumes are selected, a list of what is needed will be provided to dancers. Apolla shocks with traction are the only socks permitted.
Acrobatics	Leotard or crop tops and shorts. No tights or shoes permitted. Hair must be pulled back in a ponytail.
Ballet	Dance FX ballet leotard, pink tights and pink split sole ballet shoes. Hair must be secured in a neat bun. No jewelry allowed. If a bra is to be worn, it must be black. Only fitted sweaters may be worn. ie: ballet sweater, fitted altheta style jacket.
Ballet (Boys)	White fitted t-shirt, black pants and black ballet shoes.
Baby Ballerinas & Tutu Cuties	Specified DanceFX colored leotard for each class (SEE STARLETS & DUDES FOR DETAILS)
Tap	Tan buckle tap shoes - Startlets classes or black lace-up tap shoes - Shortie tap & higher
Hip Hop	Dancer's choice. Street clothes permitted. No school/ street shoes on dance floor. Must have a pair just for class.

FOOD AND DRINKS

NO STUDENT OR ADULT WILL BE PERMITTED IN THE CLASSROOM WITH GUM, CANDY, FOOD ETC. NO FOOD ALLOWED IN THE DANCE ROOMS. WATER IS THE ONLY BEVERAGE PERMITTED IN THE DANCE ROOMS.

CONDUCT

Excessive talking, foul language or disrespectful behavior to fellow dancers or teachers will not be tolerated. Any student demonstrating unacceptable behavior will be asked to leave the classroom.

MISSING CLASSES

No adjustments or refunds will be made for any missed classes due to illness. Any student can make up missed classes in an appropriate level class. Once we are in recital routines, make-ups can only be made during warm ups. If a student has more than three consecutive absences in a closed class*, he or she may be removed to make room for other students to join. Illness and vacations are the exceptions.

STUDENT DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP

Parents, please make every effort to have your child to class on time and pick them up when their classes are over. For students who are not picked up within 15 minutes after a class is finished, a \$10 per half hour charge will be implemented unless prior arrangements have been made.

15-MINUTE RULE

Parent and Dancer Handbook

If you are more than 15 minutes late for a class, you will not be admitted in class unless given permission by the teacher.

**CLOSED CLASS* - This is any class that has reached maximum capacity as decided by the faculty.

2020 DANCE RECITAL GUIDELINES

Dance concerts take many months of planning. Here is a basic outline of information, payments and various costs.

RECITAL DATES

Dress Rehearsals	June 4 & June 5
Recital	June 6

TICKET COSTS (Subject to change) - Ticket Sale Day Sunday, April 26, 2020 beginning at 12:00pm

\$18-\$26 non refundable

PROGRAM BOOK ADS (Optional)

Special messages: \$15 for 50 words or less.

¼ page \$40, ½ page \$70, Full page \$125 Back cover & inside front cover \$200.

RECITAL PICTURES

Recital photos by Memories Forever

Picture Day	May 1-3, 2020
Picture Day	May 15-17, 2020

RECITAL Media Package \$75 mandatory for all dancers participating in recital - package will include link and recital t-shirt. Due February 1, 2020

A downloadable link of the 2020 recital will be following the recital. The link will contain both shows. A hardcopy of the show can be purchased for \$ 15. ***No one is permitted to bring his or her own video equipment into the theater.***

COSTUMES - NON REFUNDABLE

TIGHTS MUST BE PURCHASED ADDITIONALLY. Colors may vary and are for sale in the office.

PAYMENT DUE DATES

Costume payment is due in full by November 12, 2019. No costumes will be ordered without payment.

There are no costume refunds. Alterations are at your expense.

COSTUME COSTS - NON REFUNDABLE

STARLETS & Dudes (See separate price guide in Starlets and Dudes Handbook)

Jazz, Lyrical , Contemporary, Hip Hop, Ballet	\$110 each
Acro	\$75
Tap 1.5, 2, 3	\$110 each

ENJOY YOUR YEAR!!!!!!!!!!!!

