

## TUITION

The dance year runs from August – May

Classes begin Monday, August 9th.

- A \$25 registration fee is due annually for each student, \$35 per family.
- Tuition is due in full at the 1<sup>st</sup> class of every month.
- Boys may take ballet for free if enrolled in another class.
- After the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month, a 10% late fee will be assessed.
- Cash, check, or PayPal is accepted as payment. Cash must be handed to a staff member directly, not left in the box.

## STUDIO ETIQUETTE

- Dancers may not play in studio before class. Please wait for an instructor to invite you in for class.
- Do not wear dance shoes outside of the studio.
- NO GUM during classes.
- Please do not disrupt the class in session.
- Please be prompt when picking up your student.
- Parents must gather students from the lobby or be seen by the instructor. Students will not be allowed to leave the studio without a parent/guardian.
- Smoking is not allowed at any time.
- No food or drinks in the lobby at any time. **Only water** is allowed in the studio.
- Students must be picked up promptly after each class.
- No dancing, running, jumping, or rough play in the lobby at any time.
- Siblings may not be left unattended at any time.
- Please be respectful of the students in the studio and keep the lobby **quiet**.

## ATTENDANCE

- We ask that students attend every scheduled class.
- If your student is sick or must miss class, you may attend a make-up class. Please speak with a staff member to arrange your make-ups.
- Tuition is based on a 4-week month. We do not prorate for studio closures because those days are made up by 5-week months.

## PHOTO/VIDEOGRAPHY

- Video may not be taken at any time.
- Photos of your child (only) may be taken on the first class of each month.
- Do not post photos of children other than your own on social media.

## ATTIRE

Please **DO NOT** wear costumes or denim to any class.

Appropriate dance/workout attire is required for every class.

Please label all shoes and bags with your student's name.

- Hair must be pulled away from your face for every class. Ballet students are suggested to have their hair in a **proper ballet bun**.
- Pre-Ballet and Primary Ballet, Combo students must wear pink dance tights and a pink leotard or dance dress. Students may wear skirts or tutus of any color.
- Beginning Ballet to Ballet III students must wear pink dance tights and pink or black leotards. Students may wear sheer skirts of any color.
- Pre-pointe to Adult Pointe students must wear pink dance tights and black leotards. Students may wear sheer ballet skirts. (Adults may wear black tights).
- Male Ballet students must wear black tights, jazz or sweat pants and a solid colored tank top or non-baggy t-shirt. A dance belt is recommended.
- Tap students must wear stretch pants or shorts. Leotards, tank tops or non-baggy t-shirts are acceptable.
- Jazz and Contemporary students may wear pink or tan dance tights or have bare legs. Leotards, tank tops or non-baggy t-shirts are acceptable. Students may wear skirts, dance shorts, capris or dance pants. Knee pads are recommended.
- Musical Theatre and Hip-Hop students must wear stretch pants or shorts. Leotards, tank tops or non-baggy t-shirts are acceptable.
- Adult Ballet may wear tights, solid colored leotards, non-baggy t-shirts or tank tops. Students may wear dance shorts, skirts or capri stretch pants.

## SHOES

- All female ballet students: Pink leather or canvas ballet shoes.
- All Pointe students: Fittings will be done w/the instructor to determine the best fit possible for each individual student.
- All male ballet students: Black leather or canvas ballet shoes.
- All tap students: Black tap shoes, style is up to the dancer.
- All jazz students: Tan, leather jazz shoes.
- All Contemporary and Lyrical students: Tan leather/canvas lyrical or jazz shoes.
- All Musical Theatre students: Tan leather jazz shoes or tan character shoes.
- All Hip-Hop students: Clean, light color soled tennis shoes.

## PRODUCTIONS

- End of year recitals will take place every May/June. Students will learn routines in their regularly scheduled classes.
- Participation in productions is voluntary. Additional costs will be involved with productions. If you choose to participate in our end of year recital, you will be given a list of costs, due dates and any other relevant information.

**Our primary method of mass communication is through our DRD Students and Families Facebook group. Please be sure you are in this group and that you check it regularly.**

The studio will be closed the following dates:

Fall Break – October 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>

Thanksgiving Break - November 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>

Christmas Break – December 24<sup>th</sup> – January 1<sup>st</sup>

Spring Break – March 29<sup>th</sup> – April 2<sup>nd</sup>

### **SEVERE WEATHER POLICY**

The DRD severe weather policy is to follow the Manchester City Schools closures. If City Schools are closed due to weather, DRD will close due to weather.

Classes cancelled due to weather will be offered make-up classes, if available, but students will not be prorated.



# Duck River Dance

*Where dancers learn to spread their wings.*

## Studio Handbook

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