

# Dance Xpressions

**CLASSES BEGIN AUGUST 21st!**

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## IMPORTANT DATES:

Please check the dry erase board in the lobby often for important announcements and reminders.

**BRING AN ADULT TO DANCE WEEK:** October 23rd-26th dancers are allowed to bring one parent (or adult) to *participate* in class with them. Adult participants must sign a release form.

**PARENT'S VISITATION DAY:** On the following days, parents are invited to come in and watch class.

On all other class days, the dance room door will remain closed so that the teacher has the students' full attention.

Room 1: Feb 12-15    Room 2: Feb 19-22    Room 3: Feb 26-29    Room 4: Mar 4-7

**HOLIDAYS:** We do NOT close for staff development days. The studio will be closed on the following days:

Labor Day: September 4    Thanksgiving: Nov 20-24    Christmas: Dec 25-Jan 5  
MLK Day: January 15    Spring Break: Mar 11-15    Memorial Day: May 27

**SPRING RECITAL:** All students will participate in the annual spring recital in May. Our recital date is not set by the auditorium until October; As soon as the date is set it will be posted in the lobby. A minimum of 75% attendance is required in order to participate. Student account must be current with a zero balance; all late fees must be paid in order for him/her to perform.

**COSTUMES:** Each student will perform a dance for each class that he/she is enrolled in; one costume must be purchased for each. Three-year-olds through kindergarten will have one costume. Each student must also purchase skin-toned tights for recital.

**THE ENTIRE COSTUME PAYMENT IS DUE OCTOBER 1. A \$20 late fee/per costume will be added on November 1<sup>st</sup>. Any costumes paid after the deadline cannot be guaranteed for correct size or delivery dates. Costumes will not be ordered without payment. Accounts must be in good standing before costumes will be sent home. For special arrangements, please speak with the office manager.**

**RECITAL FEE:** A \$55 recital fee is due on March 1. This fee helps defray the cost of auditorium rental, lights, props, etc.

**NON-RECITAL CLASSES:** Baby Acro, Pointe, PBT. These classes are technique only. They do not have a costume nor do they perform at the recital.

**PICTURES:** Pictures in recital costumes will be taken in April, (date and time TBA). Group and individual pictures will be available. There is no obligation to buy.

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### **2023-2024 Studio Policy**

1. Tuition is due by the 7th of each month. All tuition balances will be automatically run to the card on file on the 7th. You may pay with cash/check prior to the 7th to avoid the card being run. Accounts must be current in order to maintain your spot in class. There is a \$20.00 fee on all returned checks. After the second returned check, cash only will be accepted.
2. Tuition is based on a minimum of 32 classes for the session; Holidays, breaks, and recital are factored into the setting of our tuition; therefore we do not prorate for these closings. Dress rehearsal takes the place of class during recital week.
3. If you attend one or more classes in a given month, you are responsible for the entire month's tuition. We do not prorate tuition except for the initial month. To schedule a makeup class, please contact the office.
4. We require written notice of class withdrawal 48 hours before automatic tuition is run; otherwise you will be responsible for the charge.
5. If your child is more than 15 minutes late, it will be counted as an absence and will need to be made up for perfect attendance. Late arrivals distract the class and the student misses warm-up. If your child is going to be absent, please call the studio. Please do not bring your child to class if he/she has a fever, lice, rashes, or anything contagious.
6. Please pick up students on time, the employees of DX cannot be responsible for children left in the lobby after class.
7. Awards: Perfect attendance awards will be given to students with no absences. Make-up classes must be done within 2-weeks following the absence and must be scheduled through the online portal in order to receive credit for attendance. It is your responsibility to check attendance records often and schedule make-up classes, students will not be allowed to make up previous classes at the end of the year. Trophies are given to students who have completed 3, 5, 7, 10, 13, 15 years at DX. Awards are posted in March - it is up to each parent/student to check for accuracy and notify us of any corrections.
8. The studio will follow Red Oak ISD for bad weather closings, or at the DX staff's discretion. Parents will be notified of these closings via email, social media, and the studio voicemail.
9. Any student, who has been with DX for at least one session, will receive a \$25 credit on their account when he/she refers a new student. The new student must enroll for a full term and indicate the current student's name upon registration.

**DRESS CODE:** All students are required to wear appropriate dancewear to class. Please put the child's name in shoes and on the bag. Hair should be pulled neatly out of the face. No food or gum is allowed. **Do not wear dance shoes outside.** Wearing dance shoes outside ruins the sole and also tracks dirt, oil, and gravel into the studio, causing damage to the dance floors.

- Ballet/Tap- black leotard, pink or flesh-colored tights (no pantyhose), black patent leather tap shoes, pink leather ballet shoes (no satin). Dance skirts must be short – pink or black only. No dress-up skirts, t-shirts, or shorts. \*Tights must be convertible if also enrolled in an acro class.
- Jazz- (1st grade and up) tan jazz shoes. Same attire as ballet/tap
- Acro- any style leotard, shorts, bare feet
- Hip Hop- Fitted dance clothes (tanks, capris, jazz pants). Jazz shoes or tennis shoes
- Contemporary- Fitted dance clothes (tanks, sports bra, dance shorts, etc.) Dance paws-any style
- Boys- Black dance pants or sweatpants, tucked-in white t-shirt, black socks, black ballet shoes, black tap shoes (lace-up or slip-on).
- Level 5 & up may wear any color leotard and tights.  
Pink ballet shoes / black leather lace-up tap shoes / tan slip-on jazz shoes