

TheCO
By Dance Works
Parent/Student Handbook
2019-2020



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A focused dance program designed for the serious dancer, aimed at building a solid technical foundation that allows freedom in the artistry of dance. Training for both community performance and regional competition.

TheCO Vision

To create a learning atmosphere that challenges the dancer to become self motivating. Learning to be driven to put in the work to accomplish one's own vision for their dancing. Through positive reinforcement, empowering instruction and hard work, dancers can flourish.

Weekly Classes and Dances

Participation in weekly classes and rehearsals is a critical element in the growth and development of the dancer. It is also vital to the team that all teammates attend all rehearsal's. A team with poor class and rehearsal attendance will struggle to find success.

Technique Classes

Company dancers will train weekly in ballet, jazz, tap and more. They will also have a weekly rehearsal for their competition dances. All dancers are required to train between four and five and half hours per week depending on their age and level. We encourage dancers to enroll in additional classes, such as tumbling, hip hop, contemporary or an extra jazz or ballet class.

Additional Saturday Rehearsal Commitment:

Dancers are required to attend one Saturday rehearsal per month. These are scheduled for the "second Saturday" of each month and are held in the morning to early afternoon. The scheudle for these is sent out one week in advance.

Performance/Competition Dances

Ballet Dance (Performed at Spring Recital)

Tap Dance (Performed at Spring Recital)

Opening/Closing Numbers (Performed at Spring Recital)

Three Competitive Dances with their assigned team

*Dancers may be asked to do additional dances if we feel they are ready

Solots, Duets and Trios

Last year we had an exciting amount of interest in solos, duets and trios! We are in the process of developing critera and a program to sustain the interest. Once we have finalized how the program will function we will send out the information.

Competitions and Convention

3 regional competitions - Dates (Late February - early May) dates will be available in August. We will not attend any competitions the weekend before or the weekend following KPS Spring Break.

Guest Artists - both Mandatory and Optional

Convention Opportunities - Nuvo in Omaha October 4th - 6th Optional

Tuition and Fees

Competition Fees per dance \$350 (this includes, costumes, entry fees, tights, accessories)

Recital Costumes \$65 per dance (this is for your dancer's ballet and tap costume and any additional costumes for classes they take outside of The Company program)

September - May Tuition is based on the total number of hours taken per week per family

Payment Options

Automatic Checking Withdraw on the 1st or 15th

Automatic Credit Card Withdraw on the 1st or 15th

Two equal payments, made via check on September 10th and January 10th (5% discount)

One payment, made via check due by September 10th (10% discount)

We will send out a full breakdown of all fees once teams are assigned and you can choose your payment method at that time

Not Included

Warm-Up Jacket (we will provide ordering information)

Bag with dancer name (we will provide ordering information)

Shoes (style as required by dance)

Required Make-Up

Hair Supplies

Auditions

Dancers must audition to be a part of The Company. We take into consideration age and level when casting the dancers. Your dancers team can change from year to year. We do not have a set number of dancers we take for each team.

The audition will consist of two parts, the first a jazz technique audition and the second part a choreography/performance audition.

Dancers need to dress the part!! They should present a neat appearance, wearing appropriate classroom attire. Hair pulled back/up and out of the face. Jazz shoes are required.

Auditions are held at The Main Studio

Monday, July 1st

7 - 10 year olds 1:00pm 2:30pm

11 - 13 year olds 3: 00pm 4:30pm

14 and over 5:00pm - 7:00pm

Summer Dance

Dancers are highly encouraged to participate in summer dance classes. We offer a very flexible punch card option. You may purchase 10, 15 or 20 classes. Your dancer is then able to attend any class that fits their schedule. Classes are turns, leaps, choreography, strength and stretching and Acro of dancers.

10 Punch Card \$150

15 Punch Card \$210

20 Punch Card \$260

Classes Begin Monday, July 8th and run for five weeks.

Ages 7 - 12

Monday 10 - 10:45am Turns

Monday 10:45 - 11:30 Leaps

Wednesday 5:00pm - 6:15pm Acro for Dancers

Thursday 10:00 - 11:00 Choreography

Thursday 11:00 - 11:45 Strength and Stretch

Ages 13 and over

Monday 5:00pm - 5:45pm Turns

Monday 5:45pm - 6:30pm Leaps

Wednesday 5:00pm - 6:15pm Acro for Dancers

Tuesday 5:00pm - 6:00pm Choreography

Tuesday 6:00pm - 6:45pm Strength and Stretch

Commitment to the Company

Teamwork is vital, as you need full trust in your peers as well as holding your own weight; unexcused absences or excessive excused absences are unacceptable and grounds for dismissal from The Company.

In classes your work ethic, dedication and investment affects your teammates, therefore it is important for you to be mentally and physically invested, growing as an individual dancer and supporting your teammates.

In rehearsals, the movement and cleanliness of the dance depends on every individual dancer, we need every teammate to be mentally and physically present to be its best.

You are expected to remember your choreography from rehearsal to rehearsal as well as remembering your corrections from cleaning.

The week prior to an event is critical to the whole team's preparedness. Only very important reasons will be accepted as an excused absence (school event that is mandatory, very ill, etc) – staff discretion.

The staff reserves the right to place an alternate into a dancer's spot if they feel the dancer is not ready for the performance or competition. In most situations, alternates will not be responsible for the fees, the dancer who is supposed to be in the dance will - staff discretion.

We want students to have a GREAT experience as a member of The Company, and a lot of that depends on the commitment each member makes to the team. As members, dancers should take pride in what they are a part of, have respect for policies in place as well as their teammates and the staff.

If you have any questions, we are happy to answer them!

-TDW Staff



TUITION PRICING

Total Hours	Per Month
45 Minutes	\$40
1:00	\$45
1:15	\$57
1:30	\$70
1:45	\$80
2:00	\$90
2:15	\$100
2:30	\$109
2:45	\$118
3:00	\$128
3:15	\$136
3:30	\$145
3:45	\$154
4:00	\$163
4:15	\$172
4:30	\$178
4:45	\$185
5:00	\$192
5:15	\$200
5:30	\$206
5:45	\$212
6:00	\$220
6:15	\$226
6:30	\$232
6:45	\$238
7:00 (Unlimited)	\$243

PAYMENT METHODS

The Year in Full: Due on September 10th. There is a 10% discount for choosing this option. If you select this option your account will be automatically debited on September 10th. If you wish to pay by check please inform us via email.

Two Semester Payments: First payment due on September 10th covering September thru December and the second payment due January 10th covering January thru May tuition. There is a 5% discount for choosing this option. If you select this option your account will be automatically debited on September 10th and January 10th. If you wish to pay by check please inform us via email.

Monthly: On the date of your choice 1st or 15th payments are automatically deducted
September - May.

To figure your monthly tuition fee add the total number of class hours at the studio per week for your family.