

Program Objectives & Policies

Philosophy:

1. We believe in the value of fair treatment.
2. We believe teaching the art of dance is an honor.
3. We believe each student is an individual and should be treated with respect and encouragement.
4. We believe each child has different talents and it's our job to develop them to the fullest.
5. We believe bringing out the best in each dancer is important.
6. We believe dance is a tool which can help children develop a positive self-image.
7. We believe children deserve to have teachers who are capable, caring and whose values enable them to be excellent role models.
8. Children are always accepted at our studio regardless of race, creed, national origin, or sex.

Our lessons are planned so that dancers will:

1. Be safe
2. Feel secure
3. Receive individual attention and encouragement
4. Develop self-discipline
5. Experience success in order to develop a positive self-image
6. Develop dance skills

Common Courtesy:

The staff and management of DFLP LLC spend countless hours in bringing you and your family a clean studio and waiting area. Please respect the property and its belongings.

Dress Code:

Dancers must adhere to the dress code with appropriate dancewear and secure hair. No underwear should show. Each age is not assigned a specific color, allowing dancers creativity. Dress code for all dance and gymnastic classes includes a leotard of choice, shorts or skirt or leggings. Extra layers may be worn but they must be form fitting to allow the staff to see the student's proper body alignment.

Policies:

1. DFLP LLC requires dancer's hair to be pulled back during class.
2. There is no gum chewing, food, or drink allowed in the classrooms. Your dancer may bring water.
3. DFLP LLC asks that all jewelry be removed before class.
4. DFLP LLC requires a 2 week notice to withdraw from a class. If this requirement is not met, you will forfeit your registration fee and tuition payments.

Attendance, Illness, or Injury:

Attendance is imperative for consistent progress.

If a student is going to be absent from class due to unforeseen circumstance, call the studio at 219.851.1193 or email at dancefoundationllc@outlook.com and leave a message before class time. If students are ill, please stay home and rest. If they are injured, we encourage dancers to come and observe the class. Many students find that they learn from observing.

DFLP LLC does not have control over attendance of students and therefore will not discount any missed classes. DFLP LLC offers students to make-up class in a different class of the same level. Please ask the staff about make-up opportunities.

Student/Instructor Interaction:

Please be advised that the study of dance involves physical contact. Instructors will often need to make hands-on contact to adjust students' alignment and to demonstrate proper motions. Students should keep the faculty informed of any illness, injury, or other condition that may interfere with their class.

Recitals:

Fall Recital- Beginning in October, DFLP LLC classes will take a portion of class time to work on fall recital routines.

Spring Recital - Beginning in February, DFLP LLC classes will take a portion of class time to work on spring recital routines.

Attendance is important to properly learn the routines. Fall performance will be held in December and spring performance will be held at the end of April/beginning of May. Dates will be announced in September and January accordingly.

Dancers/Gymnasts must be registered before session 2, October or February, in order to perform in the recitals.

Building Etiquette:

All parents and students are expected to be well-behaved, courteous, honest, and abide by the rules of DFLP LLC.

Attitudes that are disrespectful, uncooperative, or aggressively competitive do not have a place at DFLP LLC. Any parent or student exhibiting these attitudes will be asked to leave without return, and surrender any services paid going forward.

DFLP LLC expects all parents and dancers to conduct themselves in a manner that is respectful to others and to themselves. They will not make comparison to each other or speak negatively about one another or the instructors.

There will be no rough-housing or loud voices in the building.

Parents need to be sure that younger children are supervised in the waiting areas at all times.

Parents and students are expected to keep the bathrooms, dressing rooms, waiting areas, and class room neat and clean. Everyone is expected to pick up after themselves.

Dancers will remain in building until their rides arrive. No dancers will wait outside after class. Please pick up your dancers on time. Repeat offenders will be charged \$25.00 fee for late pick-ups.

Please do not bring pets into the buildings as students may have extreme allergies from pet dander.

Classroom:

1. NO gum, candy, food, or beverages (other than water) are allowed in the classroom. DFLP LLC does not provide water however we may have water for sale in the office; please bring a water bottle to class.
2. Dancers should use the restroom before class.
3. The only jewelry permitted to be worn in the classroom is small earrings.
4. Dancers need permission from the staff before using stereo, gymnastics, or any other equipment.

Tuition and Fees:

You will not receive a printed bill, e-mail, or phone call regarding payments. All tuition is due BEFORE the 1st of the month. A tuition box is located inside the waiting area and is checked weekly. DFLP LLC accepts **ONLINE PAYMENTS, CASH or CHECK.** Receipt can be given at the request of the Parents/Dancer.

Please make all checks payable to "DFLP LLC"

Enrollment is for the entire monthly session and **NO REFUNDS** will be granted.

If there are extenuating circumstances regarding payment, please speak with the owner **BEFORE** tuition is due.

If tuition is not received the second week of class, the student will be asked to sit out and observe class. If by the third week tuition is not received, the student will be asked to call home.