

THE STUDIO PRESENTS....

2021-22 MINI COMPETITIVE TEAMS

Dancer/Parent Policies and Contract

Welcome to The Studio's 2021-22 Mini Team competitive dance experience! Our competitive dance teams are groups composed of The Studio's most dedicated and talented dancers. Members perform numerous times in our events and shows, serve as a competitive dance team and are known throughout The Studio as future dance stars!!

The idea behind The Studio's competitive program is to offer dancers serious professional training along with performance opportunities that will be the foundation of their dance education. We strive to do this in a positive structured environment; therefore, we must set forth the following guidelines. Please take the time to read over this document carefully. Competitive dance is a commitment that involves time and dedication. Please understand that there are NO EXCEPTIONS to the guidelines below. If you feel that you cannot make the following commitments, you may want to reconsider becoming a member. Please be sure your dancer understands the policies themselves.

Requirements

1. Mini team members will take one HipHop/Jazz Class and one Ballet/Lyrical Class one evening per week. Dudes & Dolls will also take a Technique and Training class on that same evening or a different night for a total of 3 classes. Technique class is also available to Sweet Petites. 3 classes are \$180 per month. 2 classes are \$150 per month. Any additional classes, including tap will be \$30 per month.
 2. Dancers will attend 2 local dance competitions and 1 national competition out of state. Dancers will also perform in 2 Holiday Shows and 2 Recitals.
 3. Dancers will perform and compete 2 routines for the season, one for hip hop/jazz and one for ballet/lyrical.
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ATTENDANCE

Competitive dancers can miss 2-3 classes per session (basically one week out of eight) if necessary. Please notify us in advance if you have a vacation planned. If absence should occur for vacation, sickness or any other reason please notify us by calling our front desk and leaving a message at 248.486.0649.

Attendance is mandatory at all classes TWO weeks prior to any competition, show or event or the student may not perform in the said event. If for any reason a child does not know a routine the instructor reserves the right to set up paid private lessons.

In the case that The Studio needs to close due to Covid-19 classes will run virtually via Zoom. Commitment to your team, participation and tuition payments will continue.

DANCE ATTIRE

Please wear any combination of leotard, sports bra, leggings, booty shorts and tights for all class. All colors and styles are welcome. No loose-fitting clothes or jewelry of any sort. Please wear hair pulled back into a bun or ponytail. At this time masks are optional to dancers. We hope this continues into the fall.

WARM UPS

All dancers will need a “Studio Warm Up”. Examples for sizing will be available in the fall. Prices for the warm ups range from \$50-\$75 depending on the style we choose.

SHOES

Shoes will be fitted by The Studio, we will set up a special day for your child’s shoe fitting. Team members will need to purchase 2 pair of gore boots (jazz shoes) and 1 pair of ballet shoes (one for class and one for stage). It is important that everyone gets the same shoes for the season, please do not purchase shoes on your own.

COSTUME COSTS AND DETAILS

Dancers will need to purchase one costume for each class that they do a competitive routine in, being two. Costumes are \$130 apiece.

BOOSTERS INFO

Information pertaining to The Studio Boosters and all they have to offer will be distributed in the near future. Boosters creates special events and fundraisers for our dancers. In past seasons a \$25-\$50 fee was collected by Boosters that covers many special items for your child throughout the season. We do expect a similar payment situation this season. This fee allows our dancers the privilege of having food at convention/competition, opportunities for special events, team bonding activities, an end of the year trophy, a national’s t-shirt, along with other special additions to the competitive experience.

AGE BREAK DOWN

The following lists how each group is structured age wise. Your child must be turning the lowest age of the breakdown by December 2020, to be considered for a certain group. Please keep in mind that it is typical for most dancers to spend two years at each level. **The Studio reserves the right to change or adjust age break downs, make exceptions, or change the labels of teams if we feel necessary.**

SWEET PETITES 5-7 YRS

DUDES & DOLLS 8-12 YRS

IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS

Dancer Auditions Wednesday, August 4th 2:00PM

First Parent Meeting/Registration Thursday, August 26th at 5:30PM

On this date we will have a parent meeting where we will go through the season’s information packet along with registering and paying for your child’s classes. Please have one parent in attendance. This meeting is not necessary for

Studio Holiday Shows Preferred: Dec 4th or 5th Back up: Dec 11th or 12th

Production/Recitals May 21st & 22nd 2022 (Tentative)

NOTE: South Lyon will not be hosting Pumpkinfest this year therefore there will not be a Pumpkinfest Parade

COMPETITIONS 2021

We will attend 2 local competitions and 1 national event. All dates and locations are tentative. The Studio reserves the right to change these events.

PAC (Precision Arts Challenge)

March 4th-6th Grand Rapids, MI

Nationals: TBA

APPLAUSE April 29th-May 1st Grand Rapids, MI Copperville School/Center Stage Theater

Nationals: Charleston, SC June 20th- 26th

COMMITMENT

This word cannot be stressed enough as you make the decision to participate in competition dance. Members are expected to stick to their commitment through the entire dance season **beginning August 26th, 2021 and ending June 30th, 2022.** **Should you decide to drop out, you are still responsible for all payments from September 2021 to June 2022. This contract is binding under the law and holds you responsible for the said payments should you sign it. THESE TERMS WILL BE ENFORCED.** Teams are carefully chosen, with a certain number of kids at auditions. If we have a drop out, that spot could have gone to another child. It's also a financial loss to The Studio. At any time, The Studio reserves the right to dismiss a member from our team should they, or the parent, not be able to comply with the terms enclosed.

AUDITION INFORMATION

Each dancer is required to attend auditions on Wednesday, August 4th where dancers will be taught routines, review technical aspects and audition. Dancers please arrive at 1:45PM to check in and stretch. Auditions will begin at 2:00PM. We will be finished between 3:00-3:30PM. Please wear dance attire, any color any style. Hair should be neatly pulled back in a bun or ponytail.

Dancers need be registered for auditions by Friday, July 30th. Auditions are \$75. You may register in studio or online. Audition results will be posted on the front door of The Studio by Sunday, August 8th. If you and your dancer have read and agree to the information in this contract, please sign below and turn in this entire packet in at your audition. You can get additional packets at The Studio or on our website at

www.thestudiosouthlyon.com.

Good luck to everyone!

We have read The Studio's 2021-22 Competitive Policies and agree to them, should we be placed on a team. We understand that our signatures below commit us to a full season. We understand that if we cannot comply with all the above stated policies, then we will be released.

**** PLEASE BRING THIS ENTIRE PACKET WITH YOU TO AUDITIONS****

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Name Written Out _____

Dancer's Signature _____ Date _____

Director's Signature _____
