

THE STUDIO PRESENTS....

2020-21 MINI COMPETITIVE TEAMS

Dancer/Parent Policies and Contract

Welcome to The Studio's 2020-21 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.

This season, because of Covid-19, there may be last minute changes along with some surprises that we will all need to face together. Whatever the future brings, be it new safety requirements or new phases of shut down/opening up, The Studio is completely committed to creating a safe, healthy environment for all of our dancers and will strive to follow all guidelines while providing our children with the opportunity to do what they love.

Requirements

1. Mini team members will take one HipHop/Jazz Class and one Ballet/Lyrical Class one evening per week. Older levels such as Dudes & Dolls and Team 7 will also take a Technique and Training class on that same evening or a different night for a total of 3 classes. 3 classes are \$175 per month. 2 classes are \$130 per month. Any additional classes, including tap will be \$35 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. It is important to note that there is a chance with Covid-19 that competitions may be done virtually.
 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 our dancers are wearing masks in class. This most likely will continue into our 2020-21 season.

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 shoes fitting. Team members will need to purchase 2 pair of gore boots (jazz shoes) and 2 pair of ballet shoes (one for class and one for stage). It is important that all students are sized and order on this day, and that everyone gets the same shoes for the season.

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

TEAM SEVEN 7-8 YRS

DUDES & DOLLS 8-12 YRS

IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS

FIRST PARENT MEETING/REGISTRATION

Wednesday, August 26th at 5:00PM

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 dancers. If you cannot attend please notify Tara 248.767.9530.

FIRST WEEK OF CLASSES

Monday, September 21st-25th, 2020

STUDIO HOLIDAY SHOWS

December 5th or 6th OR December 12th or 13th, 2020

STUDIO PRODUCTION/RECITALS

May 15th and 16th OR May 22nd and 23rd, 2021

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. It is early in the season, due to Covid-19 some competitions have not finalized their schedules. All dates and locations are tentative. The Studio reserves the right to change these events.

EDGE TBA (Note: Current event August 2020 from this past season moved to the PCF Center, Detroit)

STARQUEST Feb 26th-28th Walled Lake, MI Walled Lake Northern High School or
May 21st- 23rd Walled Lake, MI Walled Lake Northern High School

STARQUEST NATIONALS June 20th-24th Galveston, TX

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 10th, 2020 and ending June 26th, 2021.** **Should you decide to drop out, you are still responsible for all payments from September 2020 to June 2021.** Teams are carefully chosen, with a certain number of girls 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 5th where dancers will be taught routines, review technical aspects and audition. Dancers please arrive at 4:45PM to check in and stretch. Auditions will begin at 5:00PM. We will be finished by 6:30PM. Please wear dance attire, any color any style and please bring a mask to wear. Hair should be neatly pulled back in a bun or ponytail.

Dancers need be registered for auditions by Friday, July 31st. Auditions are \$85. You may register in studio or online. Audition results will be posted on the front door of The Studio by Sunday, August 9th. 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 2020-21 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 _____

Dancer's Signature _____ Date _____

Email Address _____ Phone Number _____
