



Welcome 2023 - 2024

DIML Parents and Dancers!

About Us:

Mrs. Jenkins Dance Is My Life Inc. was founded in 2012 by Shantel Puryear-Jenkins. Since 2012 DIML Dance Program has partnered with a variety of different supporters in the community and hope to spread the word of what DIML represents. We're one of Tampa Bay's non-profit dance program that provides free professional dance techniques and entertainment for children ages 3-18. We offer training in several dance genres such as ballet, jazz, lyrical, hip hop (Just to name a few). The DIML Dance Program focuses on students that attend schools which hold low academic performance indexes and/or are found in low-income areas. Our main goal is to provide tutoring with homework and mentoring through dance to students who might otherwise not have the opportunity to participate if there were a charge involved. We are proud to say since then "Our DIML Dance Program" became a dynamic blend of beauty and talent.

Our Goals:

- Providing quality dance training for students at all levels of dance, from beginner to advanced.
- Strive to foster creativity, self-confidence, grace, coordination, and positivity.
- Encourage a healthy and active lifestyle.
- Provide dance for children with medical or physical challenges.
- To enjoy the excitement of growing as dancers and the pursuit of meeting goals as a team!

Finally, to encourage excellence, enhance our communities, and cultural diversity in dance increase opportunities for all kids to experience the joy of dance. But we also inspire our dancers by stepping outside their comfort zone for example: Telling their stories, expressing their feelings, and sharing whatever they're going through. Sharing creates caring as well as unexpected connections in dance class. It promotes a good learning environment; the result is a fantastic piece at the show. Currently our practices are Tuesday's & Thursday's located at South Fork CDD and Sunday's located at Summerfield Community Center.

DIML Parent Support Information:

We are a “Parent Friendly” environment. We cannot succeed without participation from everyone! We know being in the DIML Dance Program can be a major commitment of time and energy for dancers and, at time parents as well. It’s an exciting time watching your child perform, achieving their best, although at times, you may wonder, “How much can we cram into one week?” take the opportunity to become a part of this phase of their life. Become involved.... make some great memories together, share these years, and enjoy them! Examples are -help your child stay organized-help your child with their schoolwork to receive good grades. -encourage them to keep going when it gets tough. -encourage your child to work as a team. -come to as many performances as you can. Believe it or not your child looks up in the audience for you. It means a lot to them if you are there even though they never mention it. Finally remember, if things need to get done and parents are not there to help, it is your child who loses out.

DIML PARENTS: -You are important to your child and the DIML Dance Program
“Never underestimate your part! & Have a great time!”

DIML REGISTRATION FEE: \$50 PER DANCER

*** (Includes Our DIML Practice Wear & Custom Name Binder) ***

DIML Dance Package Includes:

- Logo DIML Dance Shirt**
- Logo DIML Dance Tights**
- Logo DIML & Custom Name Costume Bag**
- Logo DIML Duffel Bag**
- Custom Name Dance Personal Kit**
- Skin Tone Universal Dance Tights**
- Dance Costume**
- Black Jazz Shoes**
- Black Dance Sneakers**

*** (The Total Price= \$300) ***

DIML DANCE ATTIRE:

1. DIML PRACTICE SHIRT

- For girls, only their clothes should be a little fitted to see clear if making proper movements

2. DIML BLACK BOTTOM

3. BLACK DANCE SHOES

4. HAIR PULLED BACK OUT OF FACE (PONYTAIL/BUN IS SUGGEST)

DIML Dance attire is mandatory. If dancers attend to practice without their dance attire they will sit out and watch for "SUPPORT", write two-page front and back or will told to do an exercise or have points taken away. This takes place as discipline to teach dancer responsibility.

DIML PRACTICE SCHEDULE:

-Tuesday's- South Fork CDD

(5:00pm - 6:00pm)

-Thursday y - South Fork CDD

(5:00pm - 6:00pm)

- Sunday's- Summerfield Community Center

(3:00pm - 5:00pm)

For extra practices, you will be notified by letter sent home in your child dance binder and by via e-mail, txt, or call. Dancers are only allowed to miss twice a month.

DIML FUNDRAISER INFORMATION:

1. Krispy Kreme fundraiser \$9 a box is all year round (REMEMBER IT'S HALF OF THE AMOUNT YOU TURN IN)

DIML Dancers & Members required to sell (10) boxes or pay \$80

2. DIML Give from The Heart Donation/Fundraiser is all year around also. For each DIML Give from The Heart Fundraiser Paper is a \$100 per sheet that you (A PARENT) must sign for.

***DIML Dancers/Parents & Members are required to fundraise ***

3. DIML 1st of the month -Fish Fry Dinners (\$10 PLATES) -Soul Food Dinners (\$15 PLATES)

DIML Dancers/Parents & Members are required to sell (10) plates or pay \$50/80

4. Car Wash Fundraiser every spring (\$5 for cars/\$8 for trucks) clean outside only!

DIML Dancers/Parents & Members are required to participate in the fundraiser or pay \$25

5. DIML Sponsorship letters

NEW FEES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO LAST MINUTE EVENTS/COMPETITIONS & OTHER PERFORMANCES. ALSO REMEMBER TO KEEP IN MIND THAT THE MORE FUNDRAISERS YOU PARTICIPATE IN IS THE LESS MONEY TO PAY. ALL FUNDRAISERS & DONATIONS FUNDS GOES INTO OUR DIML DANCE PROGRAM

IF YOU HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS OR IDEAS ABOUT ANY FUNDRAISERS TO HELP YOUR CHILD(S) DANCE PROGRAM PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT OUR DIML DANCE MOM LEADER/COMMITTEE OR DANCE TEACHER!!

DIML CANCELLATION & ATTENDANCE INFORMATION:

Cancellation:

Please check our **D.I.M.L. Dance Program Facebook page** at www.facebook.com/MRSJENKINSDIML or our **DIML Band App** in case class has been cancel due to my absence, or for any other reasons. Also, there will be a letter given out in your child's dance folder on days' classes are canceled ahead of time. **Classes are not necessarily canceled when school has been canceled.**

Attendance:

If a dancer continues to miss class (other than an illness) I deserve the right to

First call and give a warning, Second-if the dancer continues to miss-I will give the dancer a notice to give to parents on whether the dancer can perform in the next recital/competitions or events. It is unfair to me and to the other dancers to have a dancer consistently absent. D.I.M.L. dancers only allowed to have 2 excused absences a month.

We are looking forward to working with your child(s) and hope this will be a terrific year of (2023-2024) with our DIML Dance Program. Thanks for being a part of Mrs. Jenkins Dance Is My Life Inc. !

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact our email @ danceismylife025@yahoo.com , Mrs. Jenkins at (813) 481-4121, or message us on our dance program facebook @ www.facebook.com/MRS.JENKINSDIML. We wish to keep the lines of communication open and will consider your input.

SUPPORT YOUR CHILD(S) DANCE PROGRAM

FOLLOW & :-) LIKE US ON

FACEBOOK: www.facebook.com/MRS.JENKINSDIML

INSTAGRAM: www.instagram.com/diml025

TIKTOK: www.tiktok.com/mrsjenkinsdiml

WEBSITE: www.mrsjenkinsdiml.org

Sincerely,

-Mrs. Jenkins Dance Is My Life Inc.

***Once A Dancer, Always A Dancer!!**