



Magic City's Dance World

2024 Rules and Regulations



- Entries must be registered through DanceBug. Texts, Fax, or Emails are not accepted.
- Names, Ages and Level of all contestants must be entered correctly.
- A dancer may not compete as independent if their studio is registered.
- Dancers competing with two separate studios, must have written permission from both, and submitted to the competition no later than 30 days prior to any event.
- All Reservations require a deposit. If the deposit is not submitted within 15 days of the reservation the system will automatically delete the reservation. One courtesy reminder will be issued via email to the studio director before the deletion.
- After the registration hard deadline, entries not paid in full will not be processed.
- Payments may be made on-line through DanceBug, by Venmo, or Zelle. Checks are accepted, however, they must be received 30 days prior to the event.
- NO CASH REFUNDS FOR ANY REASON, other than a cancellation by the competition.
- A late payment fee of \$30.00 will apply to each routine not paid or registered by the registration deadline.
- After the registration deadline there will be a \$25 fee for changes 20 days prior to the event and a \$50 fee for changes made 10 days prior to the event. Changes are not allowed 7 days prior to the event. All fees must be paid immediately after the change is made by credit card on-line.
- Entries are NOT accepted at the competition the day of any event.
- The final schedule will be sent seven (7) days prior to the event.
- All events are scheduled based on the entries by solos, duets/trios, small groups, large groups, and lines/productions. In other words, we do not have a general format, schedules are done depending on each event's dynamic.
- All entries must compete on the day and time assigned unless approved by a director. If approved, the entry will only receive adjudication and will not be eligible for High Score Awards.
- Dancers must be ready to perform when their number is called. Delays will result in point deduction or disqualification.
- Dancers must check in backstage one hour prior to their performance time. Studio Directors must check the studio in one hour prior to their performance time. Parents are not allowed to check in a studio.
- The number of dancers on stage must match the names listed in the registration system. A penalty fee of \$100 will be applied and the entry will be disqualified if this rule is violated.
- Time Limits are as follows:
 - Solos and Duets/Trios 3:00 minutes. Small Groups 3:30 minutes, and Large Groups: 4:00 minutes. Productions: 6:00 minutes. Extended time may be purchased at \$4 per performer for every 40 seconds. Unpaid overtime routines will receive a 2-point reduction.
- Age Divisions are as follows: 5 and Under; 6-8; 9-11; 12-14; 15-17. Age division for groups and Duet/Trios is based on an average.
- ADVANCED Dancers cannot compete in any Novice Routine. Level changes cannot be made at the event. Levels are assigned as follows:
 - Novice: Little- 1 year of dance experience.
 - Intermediate: 2-5 years competitive experience.
 - Advance: Top Level dancers with high technical ability.
- During the competition, a protest must be initiated ONLY by the Studio Director and submitted in writing to belkispuns@magiccitysdanceworld.org within 30 minutes of the incident. No protests are accepted after awards.
- All Music must be uploaded at least 7 days prior to the event. A backup flash drive is mandatory. If the music contains profanity or racial slurs, the music will be turned off and the dancers will be asked to leave the stage. The routine will be disqualified.
- Title is not based on technicality alone. Therefore, dancers earning a High Score are not automatically Title Winners. Performers may add Title on all Levels (Novice, Intermediate, and Advanced) for a maximum of three solos per dancer. Title will be judged during the performance. If a dancers registers

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Title for all three Solos, they can win division no more than once. The divisions are: 5 and Under; 6-8; 9-11; 12-14; 15-17 in each level.

- No more than 25% of acro/gymnastic tricks are allowed in a non-acre routine.
- Singing is permitted only in Musical Theater.
- Props: Storing props in the wings is not permitted. All props must be fireproof. Live animals, smoke and fog devices, confetti, balloons, glitter, and weapons are not permitted. The studio must clean up the stage after the performance. The following cost breakdown is required for props.
2-4 minutes: \$25; 5-6 minutes \$50; Anything above 7 minutes: \$100. Check the box during registration and give us a description of the prop and indicate the time required.
- Under NO circumstances are parents allowed on the wings during performances or awards.
- Under NO circumstances are coaches or directors allowed on the stage during awards.
- Dancers are expected to register under the gender assigned at birth.
- Media. We have our own photographers. Photos are \$25 per routine and must be purchased by the studio and paid at the event via credit card. DanceBug provides a Video Package for \$33.00 per dancer. You will receive all regional videos of all your performances with us. This does not include Nationals. You may purchase the video package through your DanceBug account.
- All performers must have a signed waiver within 7 days of the event.
- Some dancers and/or groups receive scholarships to future events. These must be redeemed prior to the event. If you are awarded a free solo or group scholarship, it must be used by the named recipient or routine. Certificates, such as the Spirit Award is worth 20% off your entire future registration within the season or as specified.
- Awards-Entries compete against a determined number of points. A "Titanium" is the highest award that can be received and only granted to Advanced Dancers. It is followed by Platinum, High Gold, Gold, and Silver. All dancers will receive medals indicating their rating. First Place trophies will be given to the top scoring routine in the category. Routines will be ranked in order of highest score in each category. Routines earning Silver, or lower are not eligible for a medal. If only one entry exists in the category, it will receive a first-place trophy, but only if it earned a Platinum, or Higher. All high score participants in each age group division will receive 1st through 5th place plaques or trophies.

ADVANCED		INTERMEDIATE		NOVICE	
95-100	Titanium				
90-94.99	Platinum	85-100	Platinum	80-100	Platinum
85-89.99	High Gold	80-84.99	High Gold	75-79.99	High Gold
80-84.99	Gold	75-79.99	Gold	70-74.99	Gold
75-79.99	Silver	70-74.99	Silver	67-69.99	Silver

Regulations on Registration:

1. The company reserves the right to add additional days, times.
2. The company reserves the right to move the competition to another nearby location if confronted with circumstances beyond their control.
3. The company reserves the right to publish photos and videos to promote the competition, including but not limited to social media, television, the web, and all marketing publications.
4. All staff, employees, directors, contractors, sub-contractors, etc. of Magic City's Dance World, LLC are released from all claims for damages or injuries sustained while participating in an event.
5. The company reserves the right to request proof of age upon notice.
6. Judges reserve the right to move the dance to another level. ALL JUDGES DECISIONS ARE FINAL.
7. Photography and video recordings are prohibited. It is the responsibility of each studio director to inform the parents.
8. NO ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, VAPING, OR DRUG USE ALLOWED. Violators will be asked to leave.
9. No recruiting of students from other studios.

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10. Failure to show outstanding sportsmanship will result in disqualification. This includes performers, coaches, directors, and families.
11. Outside Food is NOT permitted.
12. Maintenance of the dressing rooms is expected. Trash is to go into trash bins.
13. Walking around, or rising, during the performance is not permitted.
14. Firearms or weapons are strictly prohibited.
15. All performers are required to have a signed waiver.

I understand the Rules and Regulations established by Magic City's Dance World, LLC.

Studio Name

Date

Owner/Director Printed Name

Signature