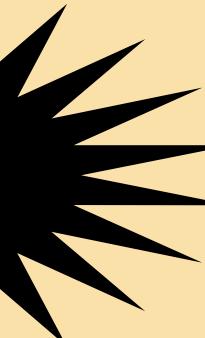




2025-2026
STUDIO
HANDBOOK

NOT YOUR ORDINARY DANCE STUDIO



At Dance United, we do more than teach dance; we continuously work to build a community where students feel seen, supported, and inspired to grow.

We are a studio rooted in creativity, individuality, and purpose. Every student, coach, and family member contributes to something bigger than themselves. We show up for one another, on and off the dance floor.

We're committed to providing high-quality dance education in a space that is safe, fun, and deeply rooted in kindness, honesty, and encouragement. Whether your child dances once a week or every day, they belong here.

WE BELIEVE:

- **Dance is for everybody.** Our studio embraces all ages, sizes, and skill levels. We value the whole person and foster a body-positive, welcoming environment.
- **Every dancer is unique.** We meet students where they are and help them find their voice through movement.
- **Passion fuels progress.** We teach strong technique and encourage self-expression. When hard work and joy come together, beautiful things happen.

- **Dance is a team effort.** We celebrate individuality while building something powerful together.

- **We lead by coaching more than instructing.** Instruction teaches the steps, but coaching helps dancers grow beyond the technique. It develops confidence, creativity, and the mindset needed to thrive on stage and in life.

- **In growing together.** Our students, coaches, and families learn from one another. Differences make us stronger.

REGISTRATION

Before we welcome you into class, we'll need a few quick online forms to make sure everything is up to date. This helps us stay connected and keep our dancers safe.

Each family is asked to complete:

- A registration form
- A media release form (so we can highlight our amazing dancers!)
- A liability & insurance waiver

Our annual registration fee is \$25 per student or \$50 max per family. This fee holds your spot in class and must be paid before your first session begins. Payments can be made by credit card, cash, or check. Please note: unpaid registration fees may result in a lost class placement.

Curious about trying something new? We love when students explore different styles! Trial classes are available for current students, as long as space allows. Reach out to the front desk and we'll be happy to find the right fit.

INVITE A FRIEND—GET \$20!

When you refer a friend or family member who enrolls for the 2025–2026 season, you'll receive a \$20 credit on your account. Just have them list your name in the "How'd You Hear About Us?" section of their registration form. It's a great way to share the Dance United love—and the savings can add up fast!

CONTACT INFO & HOURS

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Studio Owner: Catie Hauch

Studio & Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 4:30-8:00 pm | Wednesday: 4:50-8:00 pm

The studio opens 10 minutes before the start time of the first class and closes 10 minutes after the last class. You may see us in the studio with private lessons, cleaning, setting up for classes, etc., but we won't open the doors until 10 minutes before. Thanks for your understanding!

TUITION & FEES

TUITION

Tuition is billed on the 1st of each month for 9 months (a total of 31 weeks of classes, dress rehearsal & performances).

- \$42/month for 1 weekly 30-minute class
- \$50/month for 1 weekly 45 or 50-minute class
- \$75/month for 1 weekly 80-minute class
- \$65/month for 1 weekly 30-minute duet class
- \$85/month for 1 weekly 30-minute solo lesson

DISCOUNTS

Current Student Referral Credit: Refer an enrolled friend for the 2025-2026 school year & receive a \$20 credit to your account. New families must mention your name when enrolling.

Boy's Ballet Scholarship: For boys taking ballet levels 1+, a scholarship is offered & tuition is \$25/month. No other discounts apply.

Partial-Tuition Scholarships: Each year, we offer a limited number of partial scholarships. Please contact our office staff to learn more.

ADDITIONAL REQUIRED FEES:

All fees are non-refundable.

- \$25 Registration Fee (\$50 max per family) - Includes Dance United t-shirt or class kit.
- \$65 Performance Fee, per family, due November 1, 2025. Includes: Holiday Showcase costume rental, Spring Recital photos & video digital downloads, & (2) tickets, per family, to our Spring Recital.
- Up to \$89 + tax Spring Recital costume fee/class due February 1, 2025. This is yours to keep after the recital.
- Late Fees: If accounts are not paid in full by the 15th of each month, a \$10/per student late fee will be added.

Refunds will not be issued for missed classes or weather related cancellations. Classes are filmed in the BAND App and available for your child to take their missed class at home within 30 days.

PARKING



PARKING & SAFETY

Parking is limited near the studio, so please follow these guidelines to help keep everyone safe:

- Angle park along our designated strip on Ottawa Avenue to keep sidewalks and bike lanes clear.
- Additional parking is available behind our building via the 17th Street entrance. Please walk with a buddy when using this lot, as visibility is limited.
- After 5:00 PM, families may also use the West Michigan Uniform lot at 17th & Ottawa. Thank you for respecting their business hours.

For safety, all students must be picked up inside the studio after class. We do not allow dancers to wait outside for pickup. Thank you for helping us keep your children safe.

CLASS SCHEDULE

We thoughtfully design our schedule to support a healthy balance for dancers and families alike. Classes are grouped by grades and level, with mindful spacing to avoid long hours that could lead to fatigue or disrupt home and school routines.

You can view our current class offerings anytime on our website. All group classes must have five students enrolled to run. Classes with fewer than five may be cancelled. We're here to help you find the perfect fit for your dancer's age, interests, and schedule!

mini **MOVERS** DANCE UNITED

Our Mini Movers classes are created especially for young dancers ages 3-5! Dancers must be potty-trained by the start of class.

Combo classes allow dancers to try multiple styles while experiencing the joy of dance through upbeat music, guided exercises, and caring instructors. Each class has at least one assistant. Mini Movers participate in all performances. The season runs September - May.

All classes are \$50 per month and include a weekly class. There is also a \$25 registration fee that includes a dance bag and supplies, \$55 performance fee that includes two tickets to the Spring Recital and shareable links to the performance video and photos, and up to a \$69 Spring Recital costume fee.

TUESDAYS:

Mini Movers: Twinkle Toes & Taps | Ages 4-5 | 5:00-5:45 PM

WEDNESDAYS:

Mini Movers: Itty-Bitty Ballet & Tap | Ages 3-4.5 | 5:00-5:45 PM

THURSDAYS:

Mini Movers: Petite Ballet & Jazz Hands | Ages 3-5 | 4:45-5:25 PM

All classes must have 5 students enrolled to run.

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ELEMENTARY AGED DANCERS

MONDAYS

Ballet/Tap 1 Combo | Grades Y5's & K | 5:00 - 5:50 PM
Poms/Acro 1 Combo | Grades 1-3 | 6:00 - 6:50 PM
Ballet/Tap 2 Combo (A) | Grades 1-3 | 6:00-6:50 PM
Poms/Acro 2 Combo | Grades 4-6 | 7:00 - 7:50 PM

TUESDAYS

Lyrical/Jazz 2 Combo | Grades 4 - 12 | 5:30 - 6:20 PM
Ballet/Tap 2 Combo (B) | Grades 1-3 | 6:00 - 6:50 PM
Ballet 3 | Grades 4-6 | 6:30 - 7:20 PM

WEDNESDAYS

Hip Hop/Breaking 1 Combo | Grades Y5's & K | 5:00 - 5:45 PM
Ballet/Jazz 1 Combo | Grades Y5's & K | 6:00 - 6:45 PM
Hip Hop/Breaking 2 Combo | Grades 1-3 | 6:00 - 6:50 PM
Hip Hop/Breaking 3 Combo | Grades 4-7 | 7:00 - 7:50 PM

THURSDAYS:

Musical Theater Jazz* | Grades 5-12 | 4:00 - 4:50 PM
Jazz/Lyrical 1 Combo | Grades 1-3 | 5:30 - 6:20 PM
Junior Competition Team* | Ages 7.5 - 5 th Grade | 6:30 - 7:00 PM
Ballet 4* | Grades 4-12 | 5:00 - 6:20 PM **PrePointe*** | Ages 10+ | 6:30 - 7:00 PM

All classes are \$50 per month and include a weekly class. There is also a \$25 registration fee that includes a t-shirt, \$55 performance fee that includes two tickets to the Spring Recital and shareable links to the performance video and photos, and up to a \$78 Spring Recital costume fee.

***These classes have additional requirements.
Please reach out for more information.**

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MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL-AGED DANCERS

MONDAYS

Ballet 5/Pointe* | Grades 7 - 12 | 4:00 - 5:40 PM

Poms/Acro 2 Combo | Grades 4-6 | 7:00 - 7:50 PM

TUESDAYS

Lyrical/Jazz 2 Combo | Grades 4 - 12 | 5:30 - 6:20 PM

Poms/Acro 3 | Grades 7-12 | 5:30 - 6:20 PM

Adv. Lyrical* | Grades 7-12 | 6:30 - 7:20 PM

Teen/Adult Beg/Int Ballet/Contemporary | Ages 13+ | 7:00 - 7:50 PM

WEDNESDAYS

Teen/Adult Musical Theater Jazz Fundamentals | Ages 13+ | 7:00 - 7:50 PM

THURSDAYS:

Musical Theater Jazz* | Grades 5-12 | 4:00 - 4:50 PM

Ballet 4* | Grades 4-12 | 5:00 - 6:20 PM **PrePointe*** | Ages 10+ | 6:30 - 7:00 PM

Teen/Adult Adv. Tap* | Ages 13+ | 7:00 - 7:30 PM

Teen/Adult Beg/Int Tap | Ages 13+ | 7:00 - 7:50 PM

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Most classes are \$50 per month and include a weekly class. There is also a \$25 registration fee that includes a t-shirt, a \$55 performance fee that includes two tickets to the Spring Recital and shareable links to the performance video and photos, and up to a \$78 Spring Recital costume fee.



ADULT DANCERS

TUESDAYS

Teen/Adult Beg./Int. Ballet/Contemporary | Ages 13+ | 6:30 - 7:20 PM

WEDNESDAYS

Teen/Adult Musical Theater Jazz Fundamentals | Ages 13+ | 7:00 - 7:50 PM

THURSDAYS

Teen/Adult Beg./Int. Tap | Ages 13+ | 7:00 - 7:50 PM

Teen/Adult Adv. Tap* | Ages 13+ | 7:00-7:30 PM

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All classes must have 5 students enrolled to run.

CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

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BALLET & TAP CLASSES:

Itty-Bitty Ballet & Taps - Ages 3–4 | Shuffle, twirl, and imagine! This sweet combo class blends ballet and tap with creative movement, music, and games. Dancers explore basic steps and coordination with the help of caring instructors and classroom assistants. Potty trained required.

Twinkle Toes & Taps - Ages 4–5 | Confidence, coordination, and creativity take center stage in this next-level combo class! Designed for dancers who are ready for more structure and challenge, Twirling Toes & Taps builds on the basics of ballet and tap while encouraging musicality, rhythm, and imaginative movement. With caring instructors leading the way, dancers develop technique, classroom skills, and a love for dance that twirls right out the door! Potty trained required.

Petite Ballet & Jazz Hands - Ages 3-5 | Leap, spin, and shine! This joyful combo class introduces little dancers to the magic of ballet and the upbeat fun of jazz. Through playful movement, music, and imagination, dancers build coordination, rhythm, and confidence—all while having a blast! With lots of encouragement and a nurturing environment, this class is the perfect first step into the world of dance. Must be potty trained.

Ballet & Tap Combo 1 - Grades Y5's - K | Dance, leap, and tap to the beat! This combo class builds beginner ballet technique at the barre and in center, then shifts into rhythmic fun with beginner tap steps like shuffles and flaps. A great balance of structure and movement for growing dancers.

Ballet & Jazz Combo 1 - Grades Y5's - K | Twirl, leap, and shine! This upbeat combo class introduces young dancers to the basics of ballet and jazz in a playful, encouraging environment. Dancers build coordination, musicality, and confidence through fun exercises and imaginative movement. Each class is filled with music, smiles, and lots of chances to express themselves!

Ballet & Tap Combo 2 - Grades 1–3 | Build confidence and skill! This class builds on ballet and tap fundamentals with more complex barre, center work, and rhythms. Dancers improve balance, technique, and musicality, all while having fun and developing confidence.

Ballet 3 - Grades 3–6 | Grace in motion! Ballet 3 dancers grow in strength and technique through structured barre and center combinations. Music varies from classical to contemporary to keep things fresh and inspiring. We focus on discipline, artistry, and fun all at once!

Ballet 4 - Grades 4-12 | with Studio Director's Approval | Poise, power, and progression! Ballet 4 is a focused and challenging class for dancers ready to take their training to the next level. With increased complexity at the barre and in center, students build strength, control, and precision while continuing to grow in musicality and expression. This class lays essential groundwork for pointe work in the future, while keeping dancers inspired with both classical and contemporary music. Perfect for dedicated dancers looking to level up without the pressure of dancing en pointe.

Ballet 5/Pointe - Prerequisites: 4+ years of consecutive ballet classes and the Studio Director's approval. Strength, technique, and talent take center stage in this class designed for our most dedicated dancers. Dancers refine ballet skills through challenging barre and center work, with optional pointe training woven into class time. Whether dancing in flats or on pointe, students build grace, control, and confidence in a supportive, disciplined, and encouraging environment.

PrePointe - For dancers ages 10+ with four consecutive years of ballet, this class is an exciting next step in their ballet journey. Pre-Pointe focuses on building the strength, alignment, and body awareness needed to dance safely and confidently en pointe—when the time is right. While enrollment in this class does not guarantee placement on pointe by the end of the year, it offers dancers the physical tools and mindset to work toward that goal. Dancers are encouraged to apply what they learn in class both at the studio and at home to continue growing with care and confidence.

No discounts apply to the already reduced monthly tuition rate. An additional equipment fee of \$55 is required and supplies your dancer with tools to use at home and in class.

Teen/Adult Ballet/Contemporary – Beginning/Intermediate | Find your strength, flow, and freedom through dance! This combo class blends the technique of ballet with the expressive movement of contemporary, creating a supportive space for dancers to grow in confidence, coordination, and artistry. Whether you're returning to dance or just getting started, you'll build a solid foundation at the barre, explore dynamic movement across the floor, and connect breath with motion. Come as you are—this class is all about progress, not perfection!

Teen/Adult Tap – Beginning/Intermediate - Ages 13+ | Make some noise and have some fun! This tap class is perfect for teens and adults with a bit of tap experience or those returning after time away. We'll review the fundamentals, build rhythmic confidence, and dive into fun combos that improve timing, clarity, and musicality. Whether you're here to sharpen your skills or just enjoy the rhythm, you'll find a welcoming space to grow at your own pace, with lots of encouragement along the way!

Hip Hop/Breaking

Hip Hop & Tumbling Tots - Ages 3–5 | Wiggle, roll, and groove! This energetic intro class gets our youngest dancers moving with beginner hip hop steps, basic tumbling, and tons of fun. Dancers learn rhythm, coordination, and classroom skills in a playful, music-filled environment. Each new student gets a welcome tote bag with dance goodies! Potty trained required.

Hip Hop 1/Breaking - Grades Y5's - K | Pop, lock, and break it down! This high-energy class blends hip hop grooves with beginner breakdance moves in a supportive, upbeat setting. Perfect for dancers who love to move, jump, and freestyle to clean, age-appropriate music.

Hip Hop 2/Breaking Combo - Grades 1-3 | Bigger moves, bigger energy! This fast-paced class levels up from our younger combos, introducing more intricate hip hop choreography and breaking skills. Dancers learn foundational moves, freestyle, and teamwork in a positive, active environment.

Hip Hop & Breaking 3 - Grades 3–5 | More style, more power, more fun! This next-level class builds on hip hop and breaking fundamentals with sharper choreography, new tricks, and confidence-boosting freestyle. Dancers explore popping, footwork, freezes, and musicality, all set to clean, high-energy music. Perfect for movers ready to level up their skills and show their personality!

Jazz & Lyrical

Lyrical/Jazz Combo 1 – Grades 1–3 | Young dancers explore both the expressive flow of lyrical and the sharp energy of jazz in this fun, engaging class. With age-appropriate music and choreography, students build strength, flexibility, and confidence, all while learning to move with emotion and style in a supportive space.

Lyrical/Jazz Combo 2 – Grades 4–12 | Blend emotion and energy in this expressive class combining lyrical and jazz styles. Dancers build technique, flexibility, and performance skills through full-bodied movement and dynamic choreography, all in a supportive and upbeat environment.

Advanced Lyrical: Studio director's approval only. Pre-requisites include, but are not limited to, 3 years of ballet and 4 years of overall dance experience. Returning Students: This class will be highlighted blue on the registration page if your dancer may register for Advanced Lyrical. Where technique meets emotion. Lyrical combines ballet, jazz, and expressive movement set to meaningful music with lyrics. Dancers build strength, fluidity, and storytelling through choreography, leaps, turns, and floorwork.

Musical Theater Jazz - Grades 5 - 12 | 3+ years dance experience & Studio Director's approval. Returning Students: This class will be highlighted blue on the registration page if your dancer may register for this class. Broadway vibes and bold personalities! This jazz-based class brings theater to life through dynamic movement, character work, and show-stopping routines. Perfect for dancers who love to perform and shine on stage.

Poms & Acro Dance

Poms & Acro Dance (Grades 1–3, 4–6, & 7–12)

Dance team meets cartwheels in this high-energy fusion! Dancers will learn sharp, synchronized pom routines and blend them with beginner-to-intermediate acro tricks like rolls, handstands, and cartwheel variations. Each level focuses on building strength, flexibility, and showmanship, with upbeat music and team spirit at the core. Grouped by grade for age-appropriate instruction and progressions.



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