

## ***Why Dance Exams? Dance Exams Made Simple!***

The Purpose and Value of Exams are to provide the most solid foundation of technique and body alignment allowing a dancer to experience greater ease and control of movement.

Dance Exams are a wonderful way to hone and perfect the skill of dancing thru a fun and specialized environment.

While exams can be challenging, dancers are always well prepared to go into their exam and are given all the time they need to prepare before having to examine.

**Dance Exams are not at all scary, but the idea of the process can be a bit overwhelming so here is the exam process step by step:**

1) You enrol your dancer in the Exam Program.

*TDC teaches the Royal Academy of Dance Ballet Syllabus (RAD) and the Canadian Dance Teacher's Association Jazz and Tap Syllabus (CDTA).*

2) Your dancer takes a regular scheduled exam class. Our exam classes either start in September and run till May or in May and run till mid June.

3) Your dancer will prepare for the exam during the regular scheduled exam class. This is just like a regular scheduled dance class. There may be a few extra exam classes scheduled closer to the actual exam date.

4) You only pay \$165.00 per exam class! This is a very exciting price as compared to a regular priced Beginner dance classes at \$210, the \$165 makes it easy to see how heavily discounted the exam program pricing is!

5) All exams (except possibly a few senior exams) are taken at our Studio in Tisdale. Examiners from potentially all over the world come to Tisdale to examine for our kids!

6) Prior to exam day you will be billed for the exam itself. The cost of the exam depends on the level of exam. They start at a very reasonable \$30 and go up from there.

7) On exam day your dancer will rent an exam body suit and exam shoes from our studio for \$5 - \$10/item.

8) And that is it! Everything is literally done for you and your dancer. Exams in Tisdale are very well organized and occur in a very positive environment.

*Ultimately, Dance Exams build confidence and strength in the students own abilities.*

And they offer dancers the opportunity to gain recognized qualifications that are a good foundation for careers in dance related fields.

### **How to Enrol In The Dance Exam Program:**

1) Prior to online registration each family is sent a list of pre approved classes. If the teacher's feel that your child is ready for an exam you will see the appropriate exam class listed among the pre approved classes.

2) If your child is interested in exams and you do not see an exam class being offered in their list of pre approved classes please reach out to Dana Mutimer and she can guide you! [danam@sasktel.net](mailto:danam@sasktel.net)

*Also, If you have any questions and concerns or are nervous about the exam program please take a moment to speak to Dana or Sarah about as they too are more than willing to explain why exams are a really fabulous way for your dancer to get the most out of dance for themselves at TDC in the most affordable way!*