

Attendance Procedure

- It is absolutely crucial for your child to be in class in order to learn choreography, acquire technical elements, strengthen their ballet skills and improve as a dancer overall. We cannot help them advance if they're not in attendance.
- If your dancer needs to miss her routine day/classes, for any reason, she will need to schedule a make-up private lesson with one of our staff members BEFORE the next class. It would be ideal if the private lesson were scheduled with the choreographer of the routines that were missed, but any of our staff members will be able to meet with her and get her caught up. This will ensure that the following class does not need to be wasted "catching up" the absent dancers as this is disrespectful to both the remaining teammates and teachers. This includes being later than 30 minutes after the scheduled warm-up and/or leaving earlier than 10 minutes prior to class end time.
- During your results meeting, we will clarify which specific days and classes the policy extends to.
- Private lessons are \$20 for a 30 minute session.
- Please be responsible in scheduling your make-up classes; we will help keep track as well.
- Please note that there is NO REPLACEMENT for class time with the team; please do not use the private lessons as such. It takes class time away to video tape the notes that will be sent to the absent dancer and private lesson coach. However, this policy will help fill a void for when absences are necessary.
- If your dancer misses their scheduled technique and/or ballet class(es) for any reason- this class will need to be made up at Saturday Ballet. That schedule is accessible online. This class is not included in your monthly tuition and you will be charged for it separately.
- Missing a competition and/or performance without communication and/or enough notice to suffice is UNACCEPTABLE and will lead to your dancer being asked to sit out of the next competition or performance (i.e. competitions are scheduled for back to back weekends which will not allow a full week of classes to rearrange formations). Failure to communicate properly will result in possible dismissal from the team altogether.
- Communication is key! Talk to us and we can ALWAYS find a solution that benefits the entire team (teachers and dancers included).

2020-2021 Covid-19 Clause: *Due to the unprecedented current events- our absence policy may need to be revisited and/or reevaluated throughout the year. At this time, if dancers are auditioning for a team, they are expected to be in class. As the conditions change, if we are forced to adjust our schedule/meeting arrangements/the nature of instruction/etc. we will notify parents immediately and continue to do so frequently. Dancers needing to miss class due to illness will discuss the appropriate make up plan with McKenzie and will return to class on a case by case basis after a conversation with both parties and the current recommendations from our local health officials.*