

Welcome to Flash Dance Co.! We're excited to have you as part of our dance family. Please review the following policies to ensure a smooth and successful dance season.

Registration:

Full Season (August - May):

Registration for current dancers opens at the beginning of April and in May for new dancers. Registration should be completed online through our portal or in person at the studio. A non-refundable registration fee of \$40.00 per student (\$5 discount for each additional sibling) is due upon completion of registration (either online or in person). Spots will not be held until registration fee is received. Registration will remain open through September 1st for fall classes. Registration can be paid online through the parent portal (card fees apply) or in person by cash, check, Cashapp, or Venmo.

Spring Only (January - May):

Registration will open again on December 1st for new dancers and will remain open until February 1st. A non-refundable registration fee of \$40.00 per student (\$5 discount for each additional sibling) is due upon completion of registration (either online or in person). Spots will not be held until registration fee is received. Registration can be paid online through the parent portal (card fees apply) or in person by cash, check, Cashapp, or Venmo. Full season dancers do not register for Spring classes.

Tuition:

Tuition is based on the number of classes per student, per week. The dance season is broken down into a minimum of 36 dance practices, compressed classes, and rehearsals. Tuition is due on the 1st of each month and is considered late after the 10th of each month. At that time a \$10.00 late fee will be assessed to the account. Students with a 2-month balance on their account will not be allowed to attend class or participate in performances.

Tuition may be paid by check (made payable to the studio with the dancer's name in the memo line), by cash, Cashapp, Venmo, or online through parent portal (3% fee added by processor for credit cards, 1% fee for ACH). The 1% fee for ACH is waived if you are enrolled in autopay.

Students paying for half a season up front will receive a 5% discount for tuition payments (Aug - Dec and/or Jan- May), while students paying for the full season (Aug - May) up front will receive a 10% discount. Discounts do not include costume & recital fees. These payments are due in full by September 1st & February 1st. The discount drops by 1% each month that has passed. If paying half season or full season, only cash, check, Venmo, or Cashapp are accepted.

Additional Fees:

Costume fees for the Christmas recital are due in full by November 1st and May 1st for the

Number of Classes	Monthly Cost	Half Season Cost (Aug - Dec or Jan - May)	Full Season Cost (Aug - May)
1	\$55	\$261	\$495
2	\$100	\$475	\$900
3	\$140	\$665	\$1,260
4	\$175	\$831	\$1,575
5	\$206	\$978	\$1,854

Spring Recital to ensure costumes are able to be ordered on time. There is a Costume Fee for *each* recital. Costume fees may be paid all at once, or split into monthly payments and are non-refundable. If accessories are required, an additional \$10 fee may be applied.

- Rented Costumes (when available): \$35 per costume
 - If rented costumes are lost or damaged, you will be charged an additional \$30 for the costume.
- Simple Costumes (such as pajamas, tutu's, etc): \$35 per costume
- Purchased to keep costumes:
 - 5th grade and under: \$65 per costume
 - 6th grade and above: \$75 per costume

Recital fees are due in full by December 1st for the Christmas Recital and by May 1st for the Spring Recital. Recital fees include 2 tickets to the recital. Recital fees may be paid all at once, or split into monthly payments. Recital fee is \$40 per dancer & \$35 for each additional sibling.

Class Availability and Eligibility:

Flash Dance Co offers a variety of classes including ballet, tap, jazz, pointe, hip hop, auxiliary, baton, tumbling, and Twinkle Toes & You. Classes are available on a first come, first serve basis, and will close once maximum number of spots are reached. To be placed on a waiting-list, please enroll on the parent portal or speak to a staff member.

At Flash Dance Company, dancers are placed in classes based on their age to ensure that choreography, music, and class content are always age-appropriate. All skill levels are welcome within each age group. Our instructors are dedicated to meeting each dancer where they are, tailoring instruction to support individual growth and progress. This approach helps every dancer feel confident, challenged, and excited to learn!

Holidays, School Breaks, and Inclement Weather:

Flash Dance Co will follow the Lamar County School calendar. Please see our calendar for exact dates of closures for holidays and scheduled breaks. In the case of inclement weather, we will closely monitor the situation and will notify of closures in a timely manner via our Facebook Page, Instagram Account, and Parent Portal Email Blast. We will try our best to provide makeup classes, but this may not always be possible. In these cases, tuition will not be refunded or discounted.

Illness and Injury:

Please do not send students who are clearly sick or have a fever. If your child gets sick or is injured during class, we will notify you immediately. In the rare case of a severe medical emergency, we will notify 911 before notifying you. If illness or injury prevents your child from participating in recital performances, associated fees will not be refunded.

Classroom Procedures:

Classes will begin promptly at the scheduled start time. Dancers should not arrive any earlier than 15 minutes prior to class time, and should remain in the waiting area until their class is called. Please label all of your child's shoes with their names. Dancers will need a bag for their belongings; please only send items needed for dance. Dancers may bring a bottle of water (that has a top) to class, which will remain in their bag. Absolutely no gum allowed in the studio.

Only dance shoes are allowed on the studio floor. No outside "street" shoes will be allowed in the studio rooms.

Please have your child use the restroom before class to limit unnecessary interruptions. Parents may observe classes through the door windows when available, but we ask that you do not enter the classrooms.

Recitals:

Flash Dance Company holds both a Christmas Recital and a Spring Recital each year. The Christmas recital is scheduled for December 13th (tentatively) and the Spring Recital date will be announced soon. The week leading up to each performance will contain scheduled rehearsals in the studio and at the Fine Arts Center. It is imperative that dancers attend all rehearsals, so please make sure to check the schedule and plan accordingly. Fees for these performances can be found on the tuition and fees section of the website.

Recital Tickets:

Tickets can be purchased in advance or at the door. To ensure you can be seated together, it is best to purchase tickets in advance. 2 tickets are included in your recital fee. If you have 2 dancers, you will receive 4 tickets. You still need to see the front desk to assign your seating for the recital. Ticket prices will be announced closer to time.

Absences:

We know students may be involved in other activities and we are happy to work with you and try to accommodate your dancer(s). However, if more than 4 classes will be missed each session (August - December or January - May), it is best that students make a choice between activities. Continued absences of a class makes it difficult to move forward at a steady pace, set placements for recitals, and do skill/partner work, potentially slowing down the entire class. If your student has more than 5 unexcused absences per season, they may be dismissed from the performance routine. In this case, there will be no refund of tuition and fees previously paid.

Attitude:

We strive for every experience at Flash Dance Co to be a positive one. We will strive to provide a joyful, safe, and empowering space where each dancer feels seen, celebrated, and inspired. Whether you're stepping into a ballet class for the first time or you're an experienced dancer, we want each student to feel like they belong – because they do. However, we will not tolerate disrespect of instructors, staff, or other dancers. A consistent bad attitude will result in dismissal from the studio. In this case, there will be no refunds of tuition or fees previously paid. All concerns should be brought directly to the owner, Dallas Hemby.

Communication:

Communication will primarily be through the email address that is used to register on the online portal. Most information will also be shared on social media. It is the responsibility of the students and parents to stay on top of checking for updates through these avenues. Monthly communication will also be sent home in the FDC Newsletter.

Social Media

Social media, including but not limited to Facebook, Instagram, and Flash Dance Co's website, may contain images or videos of students/dancers for marketing and educational purposes. We will take appropriate measures to protect the privacy of our students and will never share identifying information such as last name, address, phone number without additional permission. We understand If you would prefer your child not be featured at all, but please be sure to let us know on the waiver!

Attire:

Appropriate attire is expected at all times for classes, including the correct footwear. If there is a problem or concern, please discuss this with the owner (Dallas Hemby) so that we can try to assist. If a student is repeatedly dressed inappropriately for class, it may result in dismissal from the class and/or studio. In this case, there will be no refund of any tuition or fees previously paid. Please follow the dress code guidelines outlined below and in the dress code document.

- No street shoes will be allowed on the dance floors
- No loose jewelry
- No gum in the studio

- Other shoes needed should be in a bag
- No food or drinks allowed in the studio other than a bottle of water

Class	Attire	Footwear/Shoes	Other/Notes
Twinkle Toes & You (Mommy & Me Style Class)	<u>Dancer</u> : Solid Color Leotard or skirt/leo combo. Skirts are optional - Tutus are allowed. Pink Tights. <u>Adult</u> : Comfortable Athletic Wear	<u>Dancer</u> : Pink Ballet Shoes. Leather or Canvas. Split Sole or Full Sole. <u>Adult</u> : Barefoot, Ballet Shoes, or shoes only worn in the studio.	Comfort is the most important thing with the littles.
Ballet (5th grade & under)	Solid Color Leotard or skirt/leo combo. Skirts are optional - Tutus are allowed for ages 4 and under. Pink Tights	Girls: Pink Ballet Shoes Boys: Black or Tan Ballet Shoes Leather or Canvas. Split Sole preferred but not required	Hair should be up out of their face preferably in a bun.
Junior Ballet (Intermediate)	Navy Leotard. Navy Ballet Skirt (Wrap or Elastic Waist Style) Pink Seamed Tights	Girls: Pink Ballet Shoes Boys: Black or Tan Ballet Shoes Leather or Canvas. Split Sole required	Hair should be up out of their face preferably in a bun.
Senior Ballet (Advanced)	Black Leotard. Black Ballet Skirt (Wrap or Elastic Waist Style) Pink Seamed Tights	Girls: Pink Ballet Shoes Boys: Black or Tan Ballet Shoes Leather or Canvas. Split Sole required	Hair should be up out of their face preferably in a bun.
Pre-Pointe	Black Leotard. Black Ballet Skirt (Wrap or Elastic Waist Style) Pink Seamed Tights	Pointe Shoes will be required once the class is ready - Date TBD	Hair should be up out of their face preferably in a bun.
Tap (5th grade & under)	Solid Color Leotard or skirt/leo combo. Skirts are optional - Tutus are allowed for ages 4 and under.	Black Tap Shoes. For 2nd grade & under: Preferably shoes that buckle.	Capizzio Shuffles and Oxfords are studio preferences.

	Pink Tights		Hair should be up out of their face.
Junior Tap (Intermediate - Advanced)	Solid Color Leotard or skirt/leo combo. Solid Color Skirt or Dance Shorts. Pink or Skin-Toned Tights	Black Tap Shoes (slip on or lace up) - Oxford.	Hair should be up in a bun or pony tail.
Jazz	Solid Color Leotard or Snug-Fit Athletic Shirt or FDC T-Shirt. Solid Color Dance/Athletic Shorts or Leggings. Tights are also acceptable (any solid color)	Black slip-on Jazz Shoes	
Modern/Lyrical	Solid Color Leotard. Solid Color Ballet Skirt (Wrap or Elastic Waist Style) Pink or Skin-tined Tights	Tan or skin-tones half-soles	
Hip-hop (8 - 18)	Solid Color Leotard or Snug-Fit Athletic Shirt or FDC T-Shirt. Solid Color Dance/Athletic Shorts or Leggings. Tights are also acceptable (any solid color)	Solid Black Tennis Shoes only worn inside or Solid Black Dance Sneakers.	
Auxiliary & Baton	Solid Color Leotard or Snug-Fit Athletic Shirt or FDC T-Shirt. Solid Color Dance/Athletic Shorts or Leggings. Tights are also acceptable (any solid color)	Solid Black Tennis Shoes only worn inside or Solid Black Dance Sneakers. Jazz Shoes are also acceptable.	Flags and Batons will be purchased by the studio and will remain at the studio. You are welcome to purchase your own personal baton.
Technique & Tumble	Solid Colored Athletic Shirt, Leotard, or FDC T-Shirt. Solid Colored Dance Shorts, Leggings, or Athletic Shorts.	Barefoot or Solid Black Tennis Shoes only worn inside or Solid Black Dance Sneakers.	