We want to help your child gain the greatest joy from this art form. We encourage good etiquette to our students and promote a demonstration of respect toward classmates and instructors. As part of student's training, we will guide them towards a better understanding of proper studio etiquette. We look forward to nurturing your child through a beautiful learning experience.

## **Entering and Exiting the Dance Facility**

- We encourage students to wear appropriate coverage over their dance attire. Dressing rooms are available for students wishing to change into dance attire at the studio.
- Remember not to wear your precious ballet slippers outdoors, instead wear an alternative pair of shoes (street shoes instead of dance shoes) into the facility. You can change into your dance shoes once inside.
- Try your best to arrive on time for class. We treasure every minute of studio time with our students.
- Remind your child to remain in the school lobby while waiting for their ride.

## **Waiting Areas**

- Students and their parent/guardian are welcome to arrive early to the studio. Please attend to young students until their class begins.
- We remind all precious minions not run in the facility, jump on the furniture. Always use inside voices.
- Remember to put books, puzzles, and toys away after enjoying them.
- There is plenty of waiting space, families are always welcome to stay the duration of their child's class time.

## **Class Time for Students**

- Enter the studio/ dance space when the instructor invites you into the room.
- Each class will exit the room before the next class enters.
- No chewing gum, candy, food, or drink in the studio.
- No running or hanging on barres in the studio.
- Consistent attendance in all classes, in which they are enrolled, will allow student's the time needed to progress to the next level. Make up classes for missed classes are available at a level lower or a level designated by his/her teacher.
- Attend class in designated class attire.
- Students should come to class with their hair groomed neatly. Hair secured neatly in a bun for age 7 + up.
- Try to make it to class on time.
- Students will be evaluated to begin pointe work at the appropriate time. Evaluation is based on strength necessary with mental and physical readiness.
- Some levels require a placement class.
- We recommend Ballet 1- Ballet 8 attend their full schedule of classes.

## **Families and Guardians**

- Please remain outside the studio while classes are in session. Disruptions during class time slow the pace of the class and affect the focus and progress for all students.
- Only registered students allowed in class/studios. Please no siblings as participants or observers.
- Due to privacy issues and respect, offices and wardrobe/prop closets are for staff use only.
- Arkansas Academy of Dance will follow the Little Rock School Districts Inclement Weather School Closings Policy. An email notification will be sent to all families, in case of a closing.