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Monthly Tuition is due every 1st of the month. There is a grace period of 5 days. If payment is not made by the 5th of the month, a \$25 **late fee** will apply on the 6th. Tuition may also be paid prior to the 1st of the month to avoid the late fee.

Payment Options Available

We accept the following payment methods for tuition, fees, and other studio charges:

- **Visa**
- **Mastercard**
- **Discover**

Additional payment methods are:

- **Google Pay & Apple Pay** — Available for **one-time payments** through the parent portal shopping cart.
- **American Express**
- **ACH/Bank Draft**

Payment Authorization

By providing a credit card or bank account for payment, the cardholder/authorized account holder gives The Gift Box Studio permission to charge the provided credit card or bank account for all tuition, fees, and other charges associated with enrollment and studio services. This authorization applies to recurring charges, special program fees, and any agreed-upon amounts due. The cardholder also agrees to keep payment information current, including updating expiration dates or replacement cards as needed. This authorization remains in effect until The Gift Box Studio receives written notice of cancellation or change.

Regular monthly charges will be debited to my credit/debit card or form of payment on file on the 1st of each month beginning the month I/my child starts taking classes here at The Gift Box.

In an effort to cover the costs of credit card processing fees, we will charge **2.89%** to every transaction paid with a Visa, Mastercard, or Discover credit card. **This does not apply to debit cards or other forms of payment.**

Fees

Registration Fees

Are due at the time of registration and renewed annually.

\$50 initial registration (per student)

\$25 Annual renewal (per student)

\$25 initial registration for families with siblings (per student and must be on the same account)

\$15 Annual renewal for families with siblings (per student not to exceed \$90)

Other Fees (Performance)

While our goal is to keep everything cost effective for families there are other expenses that come up during the season. Some of those fees include costume, recital, competition fees etc. These can fluctuate depending on the event but fundraisers will be provided to offset or cover cost.

A Costume fee: \$60 per class is an estimate that may vary depending on the costume. The goal is to keep all costumes within this range but could be more or less (give or take)

Refund Policy

At *The Gift Box*, all tuition and fees are **non-refundable and non-transferable**. Once a student is enrolled, their spot is reserved for the full session, and tuition supports program costs, staffing, and studio operations regardless of attendance. This also ensures that instructors can plan, classes stay consistent, and every dancer gets the full benefit of a well-structured program.

Here's a few reasons why refunds/credits aren't offered:

- **Limited space** – Each class has a set number of spots. When a student registers, that spot is held for them and cannot be given to someone else in most cases.
- **Instructor planning** – Teachers create lesson plans, choreography, and progressions based on enrolled students.
- **Operating costs** – Rent, staffing, and program expenses remain the same regardless of attendance.
- **Commitment & consistency** – Dance is a discipline that requires regular attendance for growth and development.

However, we understand that unexpected circumstances may arise. Refund requests will be considered **on a case-by-case basis** only under the following situations:

- **Class Cancellation by The Gift Box**

If a class or program is permanently canceled and no comparable alternative is offered, a refund or credit will be issued.

- **Medical or Health Reasons**

With a valid doctor's note, if a student is unable to continue participation for the remainder of the session/season, a prorated credit or refund may be considered.

- **Relocation**

If a family moves out of reasonable commuting distance and provides written notice, a refund or credit may be considered.

- **Administrative Error**

If an error occurs on our part (such as duplicate charges or incorrect enrollment), the mistake will be corrected with a refund or account credit.

Refunds outside of these circumstances will not be granted.

We encourage families to schedule a **trial class** before registering to ensure the best class fit.

Thank you for understanding that this policy helps us maintain consistent, high-quality programs for all students.