

2024-2025 HANDBOOK

Classes begin Monday, August 12, 2024. Our season runs August - May and concludes with our annual recital.

IMPORTANT DATES

8/12 - First Day of Dance

2/17 - President's Day

9/2 - Labor Day (no classes)
3/17 - 3/21 Spring Break
11/11 Veterans Day Parade
3/30 Recital Fee Due
11/25 - 11/29 Thanksgiving Break
5/1 Shrimp Festival Parade
12/7 Fernandina Christmas Parade
5/3 Shrimp Festival Performance
12/14 Dickens On Centre 5pm
MAY TBD - Dance Pictures
12/23 - 1/3 Holiday Break
MAY TBD - Annual Recital
1/15 Martin Luther King Day

TUITION RATES

- 1 CLASS PER WEEK \$70 PER MONTH
- 2 CLASSES PER WEEK \$110 PER MONTH
- 3 CLASSES PER WEEK \$140 PER MONTH
- 4 CLASSES PER WEEK \$170 PER MONTH
- 5 CLASSES PER WEEK \$190 PER MONTH
- 6 CLASSES PER WEEK \$200 PER MONTH
- 7 CLASSES PER WEEK \$210 PER MONTH

ANYTHING AFTER THE 7TH CLASS IS FREE!

Tuition is discounted 15% to any additional sibling.

COSTUME FEES

\$8 per costume, per month. Instead of one lump sum, we include the costume fees with our monthly tuition so they're paid off by our end of the year recital. These are nonrefundable.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

- Tuition is due on the first of each month.
- Cash or check payments may be left in the drop box in the parent's lounge.
- Online payments can be paid through your dance studio pro account or Venmo: @beanschoolofdance

*A \$20 late fee will be accrued to your account on the 15th day of the month for an unpaid balance.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

- Tuition is based on an average of 4 weeks per month. Some months may have 5 weeks, or some may have 3 weeks. No additional tuition is charged for months having more than 4 classes. This same principal applies during the months where there is a holiday – regular monthly tuition is due.
- BSD does not have a required attendance policy for dancers not participating in our competition team. We understand many students engage in other extracurricular activities and perfect attendance is often not possible. However, sporadic attendance may affect their ability to move to the next level and/or impact their ability to participate in our end of year recital.
- Make up classes If a class needs to be canceled at fault of an instructor, an email will be sent to the parents in advance with the plans for the makeup day or you will be refunded for the class missed.
- No make up classes for inclement weather or holidays.
- Student absences, excused or unexcused, will not be reimbursed.

ADD / DROP CLASSES

- **Registration:** Please visit our website beanschoolofdance.com and click our registration tab. Proceed to create a log in and register your child's name. From there you can add classes. If you encounter any issues or have questions when registering your dancer, please feel free to contact us through email at beanschoolofdance@gmail.com. We are happy to help!
- **Mid-season registration:** If your dancer is joining us mid-season, please email us at beanschoolofdance@gmail.com with your dancer's name and requested class(s). Upon registration, you will be responsible for paying the monthly costume fees accrued since the start of season to ensure your dancer will receive their costume for recital (costume fee = \$8 per month). Monthly tuition will only be charged starting the month of registration.
- Drop: We require a written two-week notice emailed to us at <u>beanschoolofdance@gmail.com</u> prior to officially dropping all classes. Not attending class does not alert the instructor of a desire to drop out.

RESPECT AND CONDUCT

We have a zero-tolerance policy for bullying of any kind. Students are expected to treat their peers and instructors with respect and kindness. Please let us know if there is an incident and we will do our best to resolve it. We love our students and we want to create a safe environment for all.

DROPOFF/ PICKUP PROTOCOL

Seating is limited in our viewing area so please share space. If you're doing drop off your dancer will wait inside until you arrive to pick them up.

CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

<u>**Combo classes-**</u> Combine ballet and tap. Students will learn the elementary foundations of these techniques in a fun and creative class.

Ballet- Foundation of dance. Proper body alignment, placement, grace, musicality, classical technique and Ballet vocabulary will be developed.

<u>Jazz-</u> Students learn technique and combinations, as well as the body isolations associated with this form of dance. They will also develop a strong sense of rhythm and dance style.

<u>Modern-</u> Modern technique, including suspension and release, fall and recovery, the use of momentum and connecting breath with movement. Dancers will explore new ways of moving combinations, floor work, and partnering, and also in various methods of improvisation.

Lyrical- Derived from ballet as a dance technique utilizing the lyrics or mood of the music of the music. Lyrical inspires movement and expression. Ballet class is recommended for lyrical students.

<u>Contemporary-</u> A style of expressive dance that combines elements of several dance genres including modern, jazz, ad classical ballet.

<u>Pointe-</u> For the more advanced ballet student; must be enrolled in advanced ballet. Requires teacher approval.

<u>Hip Hop-</u> Consists of a fusion of dance styles such as: jazz, funk, and hip hop. This is a high energy class, so be prepared to sweat, have fun, and groove!

<u>Acrobatic Arts-</u>Fundamental acrobatic tumbling and flexibility training moves that follow the Acrobatic Arts syllabus. Class format will focus on building core strength and flexibility while acquiring valuable skills that can be easily transferred to dance routines.

<u>**Musical Theater-**</u> This class provides fun, foundational training in singing, acting, dancing, and performance technique.

DANCE ATTIRE

Combo classes- any color leotard, tights, and/or skirt, pink ballet, black tap shoes.

Ballet levels 1-4 — black leotard, pink tights, pink ballet shoes, hair in a bun.

Jazz, Contemporary, Lyrical, Acro- Fitted top and bottoms such as

leggings, dance pants or dance shorts. No baggy shirts please.

Hip Hop- Comfortable dance attire and sneakers. Smooth sole sneakers

work best.

Ballet - pink ballet shoes

Tap- black tap shoes

Jazz- black jazz shoes

Modern- barefoot

Lyrical- half sole dance shoes

Contemporary- half sole dance shoes

Acro- barefoot

Musical Theater- tan character shoes