



# 2024/2025

## COMPETITION HANDBOOK

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## General Policies

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1. **ALL** dancers are expected to be 5 minutes prior to the beginning of class.
2. **ALL** dancers will attend every class, participate to the best of their ability, and put 100% effort, energy, and enthusiasm.
3. If necessary, **ALL** dancers should use the restroom before the class begins to avoid distraction during the class.
4. **ALL** dancers are required to wear proper footwear during the class.
5. **ALL** dancers are expected to neatly store their belongings in appropriate locations. All items should be labeled. Volta Dance Studio does not take responsibility for lost, stolen or damaged personal property left unattended.
6. For the safety of our dancers' parents should take the responsibility of picking up the child on time after the class ends.
7. **ALL** dancers are required to respect Volta Dance Studio property. Parents take financial responsibility in case of any damage caused by their children.
8. **ALL** dancers are expected to clean up after themselves and any mess that they create while at the Volta Dance Studio.
9. No food, gum, or candy allowed in Volta Dance Studio during the class.
10. No individual, other than owner or instructor, may post music, videos of choreography, routines, etc. on any social media account until the season is complete. Videotaping or recording by parents is prohibited.
11. No individual, other than the owner, instructor, and students, may enter the dance floor shortly before and during the scheduled class time.
12. Distraction caused by parents or/and siblings during the class has a negative impact on **ALL** dancers in group. Volta Dance Studio will ask all violators to leave.
13. Parents must have respect for dancers and do not talk to instructors during the scheduled class.
14. Students must have a parent's permission to leave the Volta Dance Studio.
15. **ALL** Dance Routine decisions are at the discretion of the instructors.
16. Bullying, bad mouthing, or any sort of verbal/physical abuse will not be tolerated.
17. Any Criticism to an instructor about the ability of their teaching skills will not be tolerated.
18. There are no cell phones to use during the class.
19. Substance usage on the property of Volta Dance Studio is forbidden.
20. No bicycles, skateboards, and/or motorcycles allowed on the property of Volta Dance Studio.
21. Please leave your animals at home.
22. Volta Dance Studio staff will determine if weather conditions are suitable to hold class. If you do not receive notification that class is cancelled, assume it is still being held and you are required to attend. You will receive notification of cancellations via Facebook Volta Dance Studio page, text message and/or email.
23. Because communication is important to us, we encourage you to address any questions, concerns, and disputes directly to Volta Dance Studio. We prefer communication via email or/ and by phone.

## 2024-2025 Code of Conduct

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### Dancer's Code of Conduct:

**I agree** to maintain a positive and competitive attitude, to stay focused and to work toward the development of the team.

**I will** demonstrate high standards of conduct as a representative of Volta Dance Studio.

**I will** refrain from negative acts, comments, or gossip about or toward fellow teammates as well as instructors and other teams, both on and off the dance floor.

**I understand** that the instructor may dismiss me at any time for disrespect, lack of effort and anything that hinders my team's development.

**I understand** that by threatening to quit, or speaking negatively about the program, I may be dismissed immediately.

**I understand** that I am to arrive on time for all practices and competitions.

**I understand and agree** that acting outside of this code will result in disciplinary action at the instructor's discretion, and it could result in my dismissal from the team.

### Parent's Code of Conduct:

As a parent, **I understand** that the team must always be considered first before any individual.

**I understand** that instructors reserve the right to place dancers on a team that gives them the best chance of success.

**I agree to respect and show** compassion towards all adults and children involved with the program at Volta Dance Studio.

**I agree** to discuss any, and all problems or concerns related to the program, instructors, dancers, or other parents directly with the Volta Dance Studio staff first.

**I agree** to not publicly discuss any gossip inside or outside of the Volta Dance Studio.

Troublemaking behavior could result in my child's dismissal from the Volta Dance Studio or from the team.

**I understand** that by threatening to quit or pull my child from the program we may be dismissed immediately.

**I will** guarantee the on-time arrival of my child to all practices and competitions.

**I understand** that the instructor may dismiss my dancer at any time for disrespect, lack of effort and/or anything that impedes team development.

**I understand** that all instructors' decisions are final.

**I understand** that my position in the Volta Dance Studio is to provide a positive outlook for all children.

# Competition Polices

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1. Attendance at **ALL** team practices (regularly scheduled or added) is **REQUIRED**.
2. No more than three absences are permitted during competition season.
3. Excessive absences could result in a demotion to the dancer's role in the competition routine.
4. Everyone must be present at **ALL** competitions, no exceptions.
5. Everyone must be present at **ALL** group performances, no exceptions.
6. Missing a practice two weeks prior to a competition is **NEVER** allowed under any circumstances.
7. Examples of excused absences: contagious illness, mandatory school event, family emergency/death in the family.
8. Withholding a child from practice should not be used as a form of punishment. This is unfair to the rest of their teammates.
9. The only people permitted to discuss matters with judges or competition officials are the instructor/owner.
10. Disrespecting teammates, instructors, other Volta Dance Studio dancers , parents, opposing team members, spectators, or competition officials, in any way (via social media/in person,) will not be tolerated.
11. When traveling to a competition, staying at a hotel is not mandated.
12. We understand all families have different financial situations. However, if possible, we request that teammates try to stay at the same hotel to promote team comradery.
13. Feel free to speak to instructors before/after practice regarding any issues you or your athlete might be experiencing.
14. Please respect instructors' time outside of the dance studio. If you are given their personal contact information, please refrain from excessively reaching out to discuss dance matters.
15. Please contact Volta Dance Studio at [Volta2023@hotmail](mailto:Volta2023@hotmail) with any concerns as well.
16. If a problem arises between teammates or parents, please address the issue with the instructor.
17. Never hesitate to request a private meeting to further discuss any issues you feel were not resolved via conversation or email previously.

## **2024/2025 Competition Schedule / Costs**

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**DEMI:** Two mandatory competitions (*\$50 Fee Deposit due upon registration*)\*

**GRANDE:** Three-Four Mandatory Competitions (*\$100 Fee Deposit due upon registration*)\*

**VENTI:** Three-Four Mandatory Competitions (*\$100 Fee Deposit due upon registration*)\*

**AGENTS:** Three-Four Mandatory Competitions (*\$100 Fee Deposit due upon registration*)\*

**HIP HOP:** Three-Four Mandatory Competitions (*\$100 Fee Deposit due upon registration*)\*

**SOLO, DUO, TRIO or BALLROOM:** Please find out with your instructor.

### **If applicable:**

National Dance Challenge \*\*

Golden Ticket Challenge \*\*

**Payment Forms:** Forms of payment include Cash and Check . Returned check fees are \$30. After 2 bounced checks, payments must be received in cash. Please make checks Payable to Volta Dance Studio

**Payment Terms:** Tuition payments paid 7 days after the session started will be charged a \$25 late fee and after 14 days the late fee will be \$35. If the tuition is not paid for more than 21 days, my child will be removed from the program until the payment is made (including the \$35 fee). Competition fees paid after the deadlines (see schedule below) are subject to a \$20 late fee.

**Competition Fees:** Competition fees are dictated by each respective competition. Your competition fees are paid per dance. Historically, the competition fee for a group dance is APPROX \$70. (i.e., if a competition fee for a group dance is \$70 and a dancer is in 2 group dances, the fees for that competition would be \$140.) Competition fees are due in accordance with the following schedule: two first competitions fees are due by the end of November 2024; the remaining amount is due by the end of January 2025. A deposit of \$50 or \$100 per dancer is due upon registration. The deposit will cover registration competition fees.

**Costumes and travel:** We will do our best to keep costume fees to under \$100 per costume. Performance Costume and travel fees are the additional charge.

**Additional Classes:** If the group qualifies for National or/and Golden Ticket challenge Volta Dance Studio will schedule mandatory additional Classes before each competition. The cost of each lesson per dancer will be \$15.

*\*Dates and locations of competitions will be announced soon.*

*\*\*National Dance Challenge and Golden Ticket challenge dates and locations will be announced for groups and/or individual dancers if they qualify*

# Volta Dance Studio

## 2024-2025 Acknowledgement of Policies

**\*\*Please return copy to Volta Dance Studio\*\***

I, \_\_\_\_\_ the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_,  
acknowledge I received a copy of the 2024-2025 Volta Dance Studio Information packet.

**I understand** and agree to abide by the rules, regulations and policies set forth in the 2024-2025 Information Packet.

**I acknowledge, understand, and agree**, that if at any time during the season, my child decides to quit, or is removed from the team, there will be NO REFUNDS for any amounts paid including tuition, competition fees, or Volta Dance Studio merchandise, or costumes.

**I acknowledge, understand, and agree** that if my child decides to quit, or is removed from the team, I am still obligated to pay for items that have been ordered on my behalf prior to leaving the program (Volta Dance Studio merchandise, competition costumes etc.)

**I have read and understand** the “code of conduct” and understand that failure to comply can result in removal from the team.

**I have read and understand** the program fees and expenses.

**I have read and understand** the “General Polices” and “Competition Polices” at Volta Dance Studio.

**I acknowledge, understand, and agree** that my child will be present at competitions and Volta Dance performances during the 2024/2025 season.

**I understand** that locations of competitions will be chosen by Volta Dance Studio. No voting will take place, and requests and opinions will not be considered.

**I understand** that the End of The Year Recital is mandatory for all competition dancers.

**I understand** that the \$250 fee applies to any dancer who drops out of the Competition team during the dance season, for instructor to re-choreograph and rearrange the competition routines.

**I understand** that the competition fee is not refundable for any dancer who drops out from the competition team.

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

VOLTA DANCE STUDIO  
COMPETITION GROUP REGISTRATION FORM 2024/2025

\*\*Please return copy to Volta Dance Studio\*\*

Program Name \_\_\_\_\_ Price Per Session \_\_\_\_\_ Competition Deposit \$50 / \$100

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ (Mother/ Father/Legal Guardian)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail : \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ (Mother/ Father/ Legal Guardian)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail : \_\_\_\_\_

The child lives with (Mother/ Father/ Both parents/ Legal Guardian)

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Does the child is the current student at VOLTA Dance Studio ? YES or NO

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_