

Penhold School of Dance

REGISTRATION PACKAGE

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General Information

Penhold School of Dance is a non-competitive dance school located in Penhold, Alberta just 10 minutes south of Red Deer. We offer ballet, tap, jazz, lyrical, musical theatre, contemporary, acro and hip hop classes. Creative Dance and Combo classes are also available for ages 6 and under. Many of our classes are once a week classes but two or three times a week ballet classes are offered to the more serious dancer. We believe in the importance of proper technique and training for all students. Your child will learn that working hard and having fun can go hand in hand! Our location has two studios, two bathrooms, a change room and an office. Each studio has a viewing window where parents are welcome to watch class in progress during the fall season.

Check out our website for teacher bios and more! www.penholdschoolofdance.com

*****COVID INFO FOR 2020/2021 SEASON*****

For the time being we are having to run our studio with a CLOSED LOBBY. We are asking that parents only enter the building if their child is under the age of 8 and our viewing area/change room area will be closed until further notice. One bathroom will be closed to the public. Small bathroom open only to dancers to facilitate ease of cleaning for us. Exact instructions for drop off/pick up and instructions for under age 8 will be given closer to the start date of classes. This info updated as of June 20th, 2020 and subject to change as restrictions/AHS policies and recommendations change.

Year End Recital

Our year end recital will take place at the Memorial Centre in Red Deer on May 16, 17, 18. . Secondary date of May 30, 31, June 1 is a possibility. Tickets usually go on sale in April through Black Knight Inn Ticket Centre.. Ticket price is normally between \$18-\$22.

Fees

There is a \$40 non-refundable registration fee for all full year classes. (6 and 8 week dance classes do not need to pay this registration fee) This \$40 fee saves your spot in any and all dance classes you would like to register for. Registration fee is NOT per dancer, it IS per family. For example, one family with three children who each want to sign up for a full year dance class only need to pay \$40 to register. Your registration fee includes a digital download link to both of our year end recitals.

Please see attached sheet for exact cost of classes. All September class fees must be paid by September 28th, 2020. January session fees must be paid by January 15th. Payment can be made in full by cash, e-transfer or cheque made out to Penhold School of Dance Ltd. Post dated cheques may be submitted by September 28th for fall session. Cheques must be post dated for the first of the month September, October, November and December. There is a \$30 charge for NSF cheques. **We do not accept monthly cash or e-transfer payments.** If you would like to pay in cash, payment must be made in full by the deadline. The only monthly payments that will be accepted will be post dated cheques. Please be aware of the studio policy for late payments. If payment is not kept up to date on class fees, the studio has the right to withhold costumes and/or photos until payment has been made.

Deadline for payment being September 28th for fall classes and January 15th for new registrants in January. Costumes will not be handed out until class fees are up to date.

Costume Fees

The cost will be \$75.00 or \$85.00 per class depending on the age and level of the class. We will not be including costume fee in your invoice this fall. We will be reassessing costume details for January and will communicate costume costs and details as they are decided for each class.

Lessons

Penhold School of Dance strives to uphold high standards in the quality of teaching that takes place at our studio. If you require the attention of the teacher please see them at the end or the beginning of class. The teachers are asked to give as close to a full 30 minute, 45 minute or hour long lesson as possible, and as a result may not be able to continue the conversation with you into the next class time. Please respect this.

Attendance and Cancellations

We would like to stress how important good attendance is in order for your child to be successful. Not only is dance a group/team effort but it is also imperative that your child attend class on a regular basis in order to feel successful themselves. If your child has missed more than three dance classes in one session (one session being Sept-Dec or Jan-May) without explanation, the teacher or studio owner will be calling or emailing to stress the importance of attendance. The teacher reserves the right to remove or change choreography for year end recital based on attendance if they feel the group is being held back due to poor attendance. No refunds are available for student absences. If a student misses a lesson, the student understands they are forfeiting the cost of the lesson. If there is another class time that is age appropriate for the student to attend as a make-up lesson, the student/parent must call or email the studio to arrange for the student to come to the make-up lesson during an appropriate week.

Cancellation of classes due to Covid

If the studio is required to close due to Covid or teacher illness, we will strive to continue holding lessons online via Zoom and/or Google Meet until such a time we are allowed to reopen.

Withdrawal/Cancellation of lessons

One month notice is required for withdrawal or cancellation of lessons. If a student withdraws on February 15th, payment will be terminated as of March 15th. Costume fees will not be refunded. Registration fee will not be refunded.

MORE HINTS AND TIPS!

Local store in Red Deer for shoes and supplies - June's Fantasy Costumes - It's a good idea to have your teacher approve your shoes before you wear them.

Unfortunately due to Covid regulations our swap bins will be closed until further notice! For future reference...

Shoe swap bin - If you have any old dance shoes that your little dancer has outgrown, put them in a Ziploc bag. Put an envelope inside the bag with the shoes and write on the front of the envelope your name, phone number, size and style of shoe and how much you want for the shoes. If someone wants to purchase them, they simply put the money inside the envelope, take the shoes and put the envelope in my dropbox. We will call or email you to let you know someone has bought your shoes.

Calendar of Dates

Monday, September 14	Lessons Begin
Monday October 12	No classes - Thanksgiving Day
Wednesday, November 11	No classes - Remembrance Day
Thursday, November 12	No classes - Chinook's Edge fall break
December 7-10	Last classes before Christmas Break - Classes will be viewable on Zoom for parents
January 4	Classes resume
February 15	No classes - Family Day
March 15-18	Viewing days - Parents are welcome to watch classes - ONLY IF AHS RESTRICTIONS ALLOW
April 5	No classes - Easter Monday
April 9, 10	Tentative photo dates
April 19-23	No classes- Spring Break
April 26	CLASSES RESUME - BLINDS NOW REMAIN CLOSED TO RETAIN DANCER FOCUS
May 10-13	Tentative Rehearsal week at the studio
May 16, 17, 18	Tentative Recital Dates

***** PLEASE NOTE SOME DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. SPECIFIC REHEARSAL WEEK NOTES WILL BE GIVEN OUT CLOSER TO THE DATE.**

WHAT TO WEAR

Creative Dance/Combo Dance

Any solid coloured bodysuit. Any solid coloured pair of tights. (Ballerina pink tights preferred for girls) Pink leather ballet slippers. A skirt is allowed but not required. Hair tied back away from face. Boys can wear shorts and T-shirt or sweats and black leather ballet shoes.

Musical Theatre Age 9 and over

Any comfortable clothing that is comfortable to move and stretch in. Shoes will be determined by the teacher in the fall. Hair tied back away from face in a ponytail.

Ballet

Preferred solid bodysuit colours:

Primary - Pink

Level 1 - Baby blue

Level 2 - Purple

Level 3 - Burgundy

Level 4 - Black

The above is not a requirement, simply a preference. Otherwise see below:

Any solid coloured bodysuit. Ballerina pink tights. (Convertible for any twice a week classes) Pink canvas or leather ballet slippers. No shorts. Hair tied back away from face and placed in a classical ballet bun. Boys can wear black shorts or black tights with dance belt and white T-shirt, black leather ballet shoes.

Lyrical

Any solid coloured bodysuit, ballerina pink or tan convertible tights. They need to be convertibles so they can go barefoot. Shorts and skirts are okay. Tan jazz shoes may be required for recital. Bare feet or foot undies are fine for class until a decision is made. We will let you know by January if jazz shoes need to be purchased for recital.

Jazz

Bodysuit and tights with dance shorts. No pants with baggy ankles. Black jazz shoes, slip on or tie up. Hair tied back away from face. Boys can wear a T-shirt and pants or shorts that have some stretch to them so that they can move freely. No jeans.

Tap

Any solid coloured bodysuit. Any solid coloured pair of tights. Tight fitting shorts are allowed. Boys can wear a T-shirt and shorts or sweats. Black tap shoes. Capezio patent shoes are okay for ages 6 and younger. For older tap groups, (over age 6) Capezio patent shoes are NOT preferred. Capezio style #CG55 is a good shoe. Bloch and So Danca tap shoe would be fine as well. Hair tied back away from face.

Acro

Any solid coloured bodysuit and convertible tights. Hair tied back away from face and placed in a classical ballet bun or braided. Boys can wear tight shorts and a T-shirt or tank top.

Hip Hop

Loose fitting pants or shorts. No jeans and No dance shorts. Comfortable tank tops or T-shirts. Hip hop sneakers are ideal but clean indoor runners are okay. White runners for recital. Please remember there are NO outside shoes allowed in the studio.

FEE INFORMATION

- 1) You may post date cheques from September-December if you wish for fall session. Please email or call to arrange. Administration fees will be added for post dated cheques.
- 2) A 15% discount applies to the total invoice amount for Jan-June session when 3 + classes are selected **per dancer**.

There is no registration fee for 6 or 8 week classes, these classes must be paid in FULL upon registration.

Fee Schedule

6 Week Mom and Me	\$65.00			
6 Week Stretching and Conditioning	\$92.00			
8 Week Creative/Combo				
4 Week Stretching and Conditioning	\$60.00			
Sept-Dec	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
30 Minute	\$145.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
45 Minute	\$160.00	\$175.00	\$175.00	\$175.00
1 Hour	\$175.00	\$190.00	\$190.00	\$190.00
1 Hour 15 Min	\$190.00	\$205.00	\$205.00	\$205.00
Performance Group	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
Jan-June				
30 Minute	\$200.00	\$225.00	\$225.00	\$225.00
45 Minute	\$235.00	\$255.00	\$255.00	\$255.00
1 Hour	\$255.00	\$285.00	\$285.00	\$285.00
1 Hour 15 Min	\$275.00	\$305.00	\$305.00	\$305.00
Costume fees	\$75 or \$85 depending on the class - info to be sent out in Dec or Jan			