



If you would like to schedule a tryout for the Dance Team please send your request Tracysdance@gmail.com

Tracy's Dynamic Dance Team

Our Performance/competition team program is designed for dancers who want to make dancing and performing a priority. The students will learn challenging and varied choreography, performance skills, stage etiquette, expression, and performance procedures, all while developing relationships and forming a community with their peers. We strive to conduct this program like a professional company, with required technique classes and rehearsals, diverse and artistic choreography, and performing throughout the The Tri-city area at festivals, nursing homes, parades and other events. The program and process instills commitment, a sense of responsibility, and teamwork that prepares students for life!

2024-25 New Dance Team Format:

If you are currently on our team, you do not have to audition for the team. You can choose to audition for extra parts. Space is limited so a special part is not guaranteed. We have limited studio time and Choreographers.

- Everyone on the dance team is required to take a tech class and either Dance Team Jazz or Dance Team Lyrical or all 3. In addition we encourage you to take tumbling/Acro, tap, ballet/pointe, and/or Hip Hop offered for your age group.

Cost:

mini/petite tech- \$45

junior/select tech- \$45

min/petite jazz/lyrical- \$55/class

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- The registration fee for the group dances is built into the price of the class. This was previously covered by the pop can fundraiser. We will still promote the can fundraiser Oct-Dec but you will keep the funds toward dance team expenses.
- Costume payments for dance team are due by October 1st: price range for costumes is \$75-100

Minis - tech class (opening number) Lyrical Jazz

Petites - tech class (opening number) Lyrical Jazz

Juniors - tech class (opening number) Lyrical Jazz

Select - tech class (opening number) Lyrical Jazz

Additional optional solos, duets, trios, small, group costumes will be in the \$75-\$150 range.

- We will do 2 competitions this year. Empire April 11-13 Birmingham & Headliners April 25-27 Grand Rapids.

- The cost for the entry fees and the choreography of learning the dance will be as follows: These additional rehearsals will happen on Friday starting in September

Small groups & Trios \$275/dancer

Duets \$325/dancer

Solo \$450

These practice times will be on Friday and start in September 27

This cost includes choreography and class time on Fridays September-November, January- May will be every other week \$10/student.

Other cost:

- Team jacket cost is \$50-\$60 and can be ordered in the Fall will the apparel order from Blocks by Heather. Tan Jazz shoes are required. Other shoes may be required. All fees are non-refundable.
- Once a month the dance team will meet for a dance clinic on Sunday afternoons. The cost will be determined based on what the clinic is and who the quest choreographer is. Most months the cost should be about \$10-\$15 per student. We will have the schedule out by August.

Dress Code:

- All dance team members must be in dance attire such as leotard and tights, or sports bras/tanks with dance shorts/leggings. No jeans or baggy clothes. Proper attire helps prevent injury, Hair must be pulled back and jazz shoes worn unless told otherwise. You must have jazz shoes with you.

Fundraisers:

- We are having a team fundraiser at Great Lakes loons Dow Diamond on August 25th
- One other group fundraiser raffle TBD purchased with 50/50

- The funds raised will go toward the dance team account for props, staff travel to comps, and extras such as parties.
- Other fundraisers will be organized by the team parents. We promote them.

Attendance policy:

- Attendance is extremely important for Dance Team students. If a student has 3 absences, they need to schedule a private lesson with an instructor for \$25/30 minute session to go over material they have missed. If a student has any absence, they should see their instructor and ask if there's anything they need to work on. It is up to the student/parent to ask the instructor for help with missed material. The instructor may be able to direct them to a friend that can catch them up or offer a small window of time between classes to go over things. We understand the absences happen. Sickness and other obligations are part of life. We are trying to avoid the whole class being held back in the event of an absence.

Parent meeting & auditions extra dances for competition

During tech classes

Monday September 16 Junior/select

Parent meeting 5:40-6:00

Auditions 6:00-6:40

Tuesday September 17

Parent meeting 5:40-6:00

Auditions 6:00-6:40

Sunday Save the Date more information to come

Minis/petites 2:00-4:00 Juniors/select 4:30-6:30

Cost: \$15/student per class. Group fundraising will cover the additional cost of dance instructors and auditorium rental for the March dress dress rehearsal.

October 12

November 9

December 14

January 11

- All 4 teams 2:00-6:30

2:00-3:00 with parents for hair and make-up class. The rest of the time we will work on opening, number rehearsal. We will have a break and dinner will be provided.

February 8

March 15 (Saturday)

- Competition Dress Rehearsal at Western night school 10:00-2:00.

Estimated schedule:

10:00 minis

10:45 petites

11:00-12:00 everyone

12:00-2:00 juniors and selects

Competitions

Empire

April 11-13 Birmingham, Michigan

Headliners

April 25-27 Grand Rapids, Michigan

Dance Force ?

May 2-3 (optional) Midland, Michigan