

AVE MARIA DANCE ACADEMY

THIS AGREEMENT MUST BE SIGNED AND TURNED IN WITH YOUR REGISTRATION FORM.

Regarding Dance Tuition I Agree To The Following:

1. My child's tuition is due on the first of each month and there is a 10 day grace period. If my tuition payment has not been paid by the 10th of the month, a \$10 late fee will be assessed to my account, \$15 after the 15th, and \$20 after the 20th of the month.
2. September's tuition and the annual registration fee (\$20/individual and \$35/family) must be paid at the time of registration.
3. There are no refunds, credits, extensions, pro-rates or transfers of any tuition or registration payments. The academy does not generally offer make-up classes in the event of absences or missed classes.
4. I can mail the tuition check to the studio if I am unable to deliver it. I also understand that there is a tuition box in the lobby of the studio that I can place my tuition check into if there is no one at the desk. (The studio is open on Mon. Wed. and Fri. until 9:00pm.)
5. Payments can also be made over the telephone using a credit card, or at the dance school's website (tuition link) through my PayPal account.
6. If my account is not kept current, my child will not be permitted to participate in classes or the end of the year performance.
7. If my check is returned due to insufficient funds, I am required to cover the check with a cash payment within 3 days of notification (adding any returned check fees that are applied.)

Regarding Class Attendance I Agree To The Following:

1. My child must be on time for class. If my child is late and misses the warm up he/she may be asked to observe rather than participate in their class.
2. My child must arrive to class properly groomed and attired (in accordance with the studio's requirements) or they will not be permitted to participate in class.
3. It is important to make every effort to attend every class as absenteeism holds up the progress of the entire class.
4. Illness should be the only reason my child misses class. If my child misses class, I must inform the studio by phone prior to the start of class.
5. My child must be picked up within 10 minutes of class completion.

Regarding Studio Policy I Agree To The Following:

1. It is my responsibility to stay informed of studio news throughout the dance season by reading all emails, notices and monthly newsletters.
2. The instructors determine appropriate class level placement and I am willing to support their decisions.
3. I am occasionally permitted to observe my child in class at the discretion of the instructor or director. At no time am I permitted to enter the studio, as this action will interrupt the class.
4. Dance education requires 'hands-on' instruction as well as verbal instruction and instructors will regularly correct my child by touching their arms, legs, feet, hips, back, and head to move them into the correct position.
5. Ave Maria Dance Academy is not responsible for lost or stolen articles. There is a lost-and-found at the studio that I should check regularly for any lost items; and that periodically all items unclaimed will be given to charity.
6. It is my responsibility to label all dance shoes with my child's name, that way if my child's shoes are left at the studio or mixed with another dancer's shoes, they can be returned.
7. If my child does not have the proper dance shoes they will not be permitted to participate in class. I understand that Ave Maria Dance Academy does not lend shoes to dancers who have forgotten or misplaced their shoes.

Regarding Dance Academy Standards I Agree To The Following:

1. My child must be of good moral character, not using foul language or engaging in any activity that does not uphold the standards of Ave Maria Dance Academy.
2. If I have a question or concern regarding the policies or decisions made by the director or any staff member I will request a personal appointment with the appropriate party or will communicate by email.
3. Instead of discussing issues or complaints with other parents or students I should address the issue with the instructor or director as it affects my child individually and privately.
4. As a parent, I understand that a positive attitude and continued support is necessary in order for my child to continue the privilege of participating in the school's program.
5. If I choose to have a negative attitude or cause volatile scenes in any way, my child and I will be asked to leave the school.
6. Ave Maria Dance Academy reserves the right to refuse services to me if I do not support the policies and decisions they have set forth.

Regarding The Annual Dance Recital I Agree To The Following:

1. Participation in the end of the year dance recital is not mandatory; however, it is strongly encouraged and is considered an important part of the overall dance experience.
2. If my child commits to participate in the annual dance recital they will be required to be present at the mandatory dress rehearsal in order to perform in the dance recital.
3. Students will learn a different recital routine for each class they are enrolled in; and there will be a different costume associated with each class.
4. Costume fees which are due December 1st cost \$65/child sized (\$60/2nd class) and \$70/adult sized (\$65/2nd class)--the size depends on the measurement of the student. This fee includes tights but may require accessories which are extra. Costume payments may be turned in anytime from September to December 1st but must be paid in full in one payment.
5. If I enroll my child after December 1st the costume payment is due at time of registration. Costumes ordered after January 1st will incur additional shipping fees.
6. Once ordered, the costumes are non-returnable and the fees are non-refundable.
7. The recital fee which is \$30/dancer is due with the March tuition payment. The recital fee covers: auditorium rental, custodian fee, sound and tech. operator fee, program and ticket printing, music licensing, and insurance protection.
8. Dancers, who sell \$50 or more in ads, will not have to pay a recital fee; those choosing not to sell ads will be required to pay the \$30 recital fee.
9. The high seller of dance recital program ads will receive a tuition FREE year in any dance class of your choice.
10. I understand that if my child misses more than 5 classes after January they will not be permitted to participate in the year-end dance recital.
11. **Photo Release:** The school is hereby granted permission to take photographs of my dancer to use in brochures, the studio website, posters, advertisements and other promotional materials the studio creates. Permission is also hereby granted for the school to copyright such photographs in its name.

I have read and agree to comply with all of the points in the Parent Agreement.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to call us-239-261-2606