

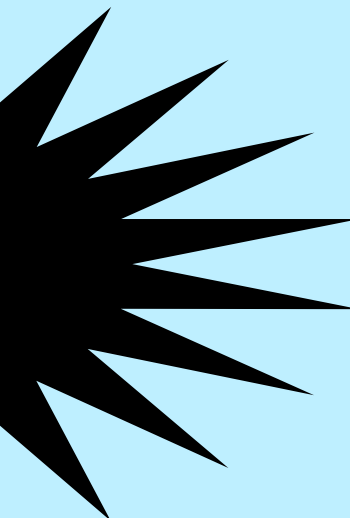
SEASON FOUR  
2023-2024



# RECREATIONAL CLASS HANDBOOK



# OUR MISSION



The Dance Unit was created to provide a safe, positive, and nurturing environment for children to study dance. We pride ourselves in working with dancers of all goals and ambitions.

The Dance Unit is focused on professionalism, high quality dance education, and teaching life skills that transcend beyond dance.

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# RECREATIONAL CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

Classes start September 11, 2023 and run through mid-June.

## **Tiny Tots (Age 2-3)**

30 minute Creative Movement and Basic Tumbling led by Instructor. Props are used to help develop coordination and rhythm.

Perform ONE dance, with ONE costume in our spring recital.

Pink Ballet Shoes Required

\$42 Monthly Tuition, \$75 Costume Fee

Tuesdays 4:30-5:00pm OR

Wednesdays 5:00-5:30pm

## **Preschool (Age 3-5)**

1 hour combination class of Introductory Tap, Ballet, Jazz, and Basic Tumbling.

Perform TWO dances, with ONE costume in our spring recital

White Tap & Pink Ballet Shoes Required

\$57 Monthly Tuition, \$75 Costume Fee

Tuesdays 5:00-6:00pm OR

Wednesdays 5:30-6:30pm OR

Thursdays 5:00-6:00pm

## **Kindergarten**

1 hour combination class of Basic to Intermediate Tap, Ballet, Jazz, and Basic Tumbling. This class is both educational and fun no matter your experience dancing; teachers help individualize instruction!

Perform TWO dances, with ONE costume in our spring recital.

White Tap & Pink Ballet Shoes Required

\$57 Monthly Tuition, \$75 Costume Fee

Mondays 5:30-6:30pm

## **1st-2nd Grade**

1 hour combination class of Basic to Intermediate Tap, Ballet, Jazz, and Basic Tumbling. This class is both educational and fun no matter your experience dancing; teachers help individualize instruction!

Perform TWO dances, with ONE costume in our spring recital.

White Tap & Pink Ballet Shoes Required

\$57 Monthly Tuition, \$75 Costume Fee

Tuesdays 6:00-7:00pm



# RECREATIONAL CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

Classes start September 11, 2023 and run through mid-June.

## 3rd-5th Grade

1 hour combination class of Basic to Intermediate Tap, Ballet, Jazz, and Basic Tumbling. This class is both educational and fun no matter your experience dancing; teachers help individualize instruction!

Perform TWO dances, with TWO costumes in our spring recital.

Tan Tap & Tan Jazz Shoes Required

\$57 Monthly Tuition, \$125 Costume Fee

Thursdays 5:30-6:30pm

## 6th-12th Grade

1 hour combination class of Tap, Ballet, Jazz and Lyrical. This class is a great way to further dance education regardless of dance experience. New skills in these styles will be broken down and instructed!

Perform TWO dances, with TWO costumes in our spring recital.

Tan Tap & Tan Jazz Shoes Required

\$57 Monthly Tuition, \$125 Costume Fee

Thursdays 6:30-7:30pm

## KG-2nd Grade Hip Hop

45 minute class to learn the latest trending Hip Hop moves to current, clean music.

Perform ONE dance, with ONE costume in our spring recital.

Tennis Shoes Required

\$47 Monthly Tuition, \$75 Costume Fee

Mondays 4:45-5:30pm

## 3rd-5th Grade Hip Hop

45 minute class to learn the latest trending Hip Hop moves to current, clean music. Perform ONE dance, with ONE costume in our spring recital.

Tennis Shoes Required

\$47 Monthly Tuition, \$75 Costume Fee

Thursdays 4:45-5:30pm





# ADULT CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

6 Week Fall Sessions run September 11 - October 19, 2023.

## Adult Tap

45-minute class to learn the fundamentals of tap dance in a relaxed environment.

Multiple levels offered based on experience. 6-Week Session running Sept 11-Oct 19.

Tap Shoes Required

\$60 for Six Week Session

Tuesdays 7:00 - 7:45pm (Beginner)

Thursdays 7:30 - 8:15pm (Intermediate)

## Adult Hip Hop

45-minute class to learn the fundamentals of hip hop dance in a relaxed environment. No previous dance experience required!

6-Week Session running Sept 11-Oct 19.

Tennis Shoes Required

\$60 for Six Week Session

Mondays 7:15-8:00pm



# TUITION, FEES, & DISCOUNTS

## Tuition

Tuition is due the 1st lesson of each month. A \$25 late fee will be applied to your account if tuition is paid after the 15th of the month. Second immediate family member has \$6 monthly discount. Third immediate family member has a \$10 monthly discount. Monthly tuition will be charged for the months of September through May and is the same each month regardless of number of class days. Recreational Dancers receive a \$10 monthly discount on tuition if they are enrolled in two classes (ex: tap/jazz class AND hip hop).

## Auto-Pay

Clients may choose to pay monthly tuition via credit card on autopay. Autopay credit cards are processed on the 1st of each month. Email [info@thedanceunit.com](mailto:info@thedanceunit.com) to sign up for autopay or save your card information to your account and select "Yes to Re-Occurring Billing". This is a great feature to avoid late fees!

## Costume Fees

Costume fees are one-time fees noted in class descriptions. Costume fees are due December 1, 2023. Dancers will be measured for costumes in October and costumes will be distributed in the spring prior to picture week and recital. Tights are included in costume fees however shoes are not.

## Refunds

Refunds will not be given for any fees that have been paid throughout the year. This includes all costume payments, tuition, recital tickets, shoes, and apparel. In the event your dancer needs to drop a class during the season, email [info@thedanceunit.com](mailto:info@thedanceunit.com) to notify us.

## NSF, Declined Cards, & Past Due Accounts

In the event that your credit card or check does not process for payment successfully, you will be notified via email and will be given a timeframe in which you must provide an alternative form of payment that will process successfully. If you do not present payment within that stated timeframe, TDU reserves the right to charge a \$25 late fee and/or pull dancer(s) from class, recital, and/or withhold costumes/accessories.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Dancers will need the following shoes for our spring recital. However, any color of shoe is acceptable for weekly class. Tap, jazz, and ballet shoes can be ordered at the studio. Tennis shoes can be purchased at any retailer.

Please note that boys will need black tap, jazz, and/or ballet shoes.

Tiny Tots - Pink Ballet

Preschool - White Tap & Pink Ballet

Kindergarten - White Tap & Pink Ballet

1st-2nd - White Tap & Pink Ballet

3rd-5th - Tan Tap & Tan Jazz

6th-12th - Tan Tap & Tan Jazz

KG-2nd Hip Hop - Tennis Shoes (color for recital TBD)

3rd-5th Hip Hop - Tennis Shoes (color for recital TBD)

Adult Hip Hop - Tennis Shoes

Adult Tap - Tap Shoes

## Class Attire

Form fitting dancewear or athletic wear of any color (leotards, dance tops, dance shorts, leggings). Hair must be pulled back from the face (ponytail or bun). Boys can wear loose fitted athletic clothing (shorts, sweatpants, t-shirt, tank top).

## Important Dates 2023-2024

September 11 - Dance Schedule Begins

October 18-22 – MEA Break. No Class.

October 24-30 - In Class Halloween Parties

October 31 – Halloween. No Class.

November 22-26 – Thanksgiving Break. No Class.

December 14-20 - In Class Holiday Parties

December 21 - January 1 – Winter Break. No Class. Resumes January 2.

February 8-14 - In Class Valentine's Day Parties

March 10-17 - Spring Break. No class.

Picture Week - TBD

May 23 - TENTATIVE Last Day of Classes

End of Spring – Year End Performance (Date/Venue TBD).

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

## Lobby Information

Dancers are encouraged to use the restroom before class begins. Each studio has a restroom inside the classroom. Teachers may ask parents/care givers to step into the room to assist their child to use the restroom if needed.

Dancers should bring a water bottle and leave it in the lobby during class. We have a water jug for refilling water bottles. We also sell a variety of snacks and drinks at the studio's "Snack Unit". You can purchase snacks via cash or by scanning a QR code to purchase a \$5 or \$10 Snack Card.

## Weather Related Closures

In the event of a weather-related closure, clients will be notified via email. There are no credits or refunds for closures due to weather.

## Spring Recital

All recreational classes get to perform their routine(s) in costume for family and friends in our year end Spring Recital! Our Spring Recital is a fantastic, family-orientated show showcasing the skills our dancers have learned over the year. Each show typically lasts 1.5 hours. Last year's recital was held at North St. Paul High School on June 6, 2023. We plan to communicate our 2024 Recital Date later this Fall.

## Fall Registration

Registration for classes may be completed online at [thedanceunit.com](http://thedanceunit.com) through our Parent Portal. You will need to create an account with our online system "Akada" in order to register. First month's tuition will be charged by September 1. Classes do have a maximum capacity so be sure to register early!

## Questions

We welcome any questions you may have by emailing [info@thedanceunit.com](mailto:info@thedanceunit.com) or calling our studio owner Lauren Gross at 651-592-1258. If you have any requests with age groups, class day/times, or class offerings do not hesitate to inquire. We hope to see you soon!