



DRESS CODE AND SHOE SPECIFICS

DRESS CODE:

I do not enforce a strict dress code at the studio, however, there are a few guidelines that I request dancers follow:

- No jeans or baggy sweatpants or sweatshirts
- No jackets – During the winter months please take into consideration other clothing options for class. The studio tends to be a little cooler in the winter, so have your dancer plan accordingly. I recommend having them layer their outfits for class. That way, as they get warm they are able to take layers off.
- Leotards, tights, skirts, leggings, joggers, shorts, spandex, tank tops, t-shirts, cardigans and long sleeves are all acceptable clothing options
- Dancers should wear form appealing clothing – This allows me to see the dancer's lines and make sure they are applying and demonstrating the correct technique to each move
- Hair should ALWAYS be worn up and out of face for class

SHOES:

The shoes needed for each class are as follows. You can choose to purchase whatever brand/style you would like, however, you MUST stick to the correct color. If you would like recommendations on brands/styles, feel free to contact me.

- **Ballet:**
 - o Girls – Pink ballet shoes (either leather or canvas)
 - o Boys – Black ballet shoes (either leather or canvas)
- **Tap:** Black tap shoes (both boys and girls) (either slip-on, lace-up, ribbons or velcro)
- **Jazz:**
 - o 6th Grade and Under – Black jazz shoes (either slip-on or lace-up)
 - o 7th Grade and Older – Nude/Tan foot undeez
- **Jr. High Kick:** Black jazz shoes (can be the same as those worn for jazz) (either slip-on or lace-up)
- **Modern & Competition:** Nude/Tan foot undeez (can be the same as those worn for jazz)

SHOE PURCHASING LOCATIONS:

Shoes can be ordered directly from the studio, purchased locally or purchased online.

- **Studio:**
 - o **In Stock Inventory:** I carry very little inventory on hand at the studio, however, if we find a pair that works for your dancer on our shelves, they are able to take their shoes home that day as long as they are paid for.
 - o **Bulk Order:** I do have shoe sizing sets also available for anyone whose shoe size I do not carry on-hand. If I need to order shoes for your dancer, I will have them try on the shoes in the sizing set and find the exact size that I need to order for them. If you choose this option, I will

- size dancers the first week of class and a bulk order will be placed the second week of class. Keep in mind that this means your dancer will not have shoes to dance in for the first few weeks of class. This is fine, as I will know they have shoes ordered. They can choose to either dance in socks or barefoot in the meantime. I will invoice you for the shoes ordered after your dancer has been sized. Payment will be owed once shoes are received. If it is later on in the season and your dancer has lost, outgrown or just simply needs a new pair of shoes, please contact me and I will size them during the next class.
- **Donated Shoes:** I have used shoes available (select sizes only) that past dancers have donated to the studio that are also an option for your dancer to use for the season. These shoes are free of charge. The only thing I ask is that dancers either donate a pair in place of the pair they take, or they return the shoes back to me at the end of the season. If you have old dance shoes you would like to donate to the studio, please have your dancer bring them the first week of classes.
 - **Local:** Our local Target and Walmart offer select sizing for ballet and tap shoes, however, I recommend having your dancer try on the shoes before purchasing. These stores typically only offer styles in kids sizes. Most styles of dance shoes tend to run very differently than your typical street shoe size.
 - **Online:** When purchasing online, make sure to pay VERY close attention to the sizing charts offered for shoes as they tend to run very differently than your typical street shoe. Sizing varies widely between different brands as well as the different styles within each brand. I would recommend the following to websites when ordering/purchasing shoes: Discount Dance (www.discountdance.com) or Dancewear Solutions (www.dancewearsolutions.com)



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