

Durango Dance Studio Policies 2019-2020

Dance Year: August 20th/September 2nd- May 1st

Performances: April 24th-25th.

ALL INCLUSIVE PRICING STRUCTURE

Fall Registration: \$25 annual registration fee per student and first semester's tuition is due at the time of enrollment.

Spring Registration (for those wishing to only dance January-May): \$65 registration fee per student and second semester's tuition is due at the time of enrollment.

SEMESTER PAYMENT

There are no tuition adjustments for missed classes or holidays. Students who miss a class may take any class of the same style in a lower level OR try a different technique as approved by the director. All classes must be made up within one month of the missed class. Canceled classes may be made up in the same manner unless the teacher requests additional class time for performance preparation.

Discounts

A single student will receive 5% discount off tuition for the 2nd class, 10% off the 3rd class, 15% off the 4th class, 20% off the 5th class, 25% off for 6th class, and 30% off all subsequent classes.

The second student in a family will receive 15% off tuition.

The third student in a family will receive 30% off tuition.

The fourth and following students in a family will receive 50% off tuition.

*Drop-in classes are not included in discounted rates.

There is a 2 week grace period for semester payments, after classes start. Non-payment after 2 weeks will result in immediate dismissal, with no possibility of refund.

WITHDRAWALS AND REFUNDS

Our program runs the length of the school year. A student is considered enrolled and will be charged tuition until the office receives written notification of withdrawal.

30 Day Guarantee: Please allow a month for your child to get used to our routine and for us to show you and your child how we offer quality training by investing in each child. We fully believe you'll be happy, otherwise we'll gladly refund your money after the first month (please contact us before October 1st to request your refund).

EXPECTATIONS

ATTENDANCE

Excellent attendance is expected of all students. Please call or text the office and leave a message if your child will miss class. Students who arrive more than 5 minutes late will be asked to observe class and are not permitted to dance that day.

STUDENT BEHAVIOR

We expect all dance students to behave responsibly while in class and in the building. Absolutely no gum, food, drinks (except water), cell phones, or street shoes in the studios! Please do not leave your valuables in the waiting room or dressing room during class. DD is not responsible for any stolen or lost property. Please do not touch things that do not belong to you. Clean up after yourself and throw away any trash or recycling. *Most importantly, please treat yourself, fellow students, and instructors with respect at all times. Students caught stealing, bullying, breaking the law, or using drugs or alcohol are subject to dismissal.*

PARENT AND FAMILY BEHAVIOR

Parents are asked to aid us in setting the tone for a positive experience for all our students. Feel free to socialize in the waiting area and check-in with your child's teacher before or after class. Long conversations should be scheduled outside of class time (speak to the front desk about this). Siblings are asked to play quietly in the waiting area or watch from windows and not enter studios in their street shoes.

DRESS CODE

Girls

Ballet (Pre) – solid pink leotard, pink tights, pink ballet shoes.

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Breakdance - solid colored camisole or fitted t-shirt (no logos), loose-fitting athletic pants, high-top shoes.

Combo Tap/Jazz- black leotard, tan tights, black velcro tap shoes, tan slip-on jazz shoes.

Contemporary - solid leotard, solid t-shirt or long sleeves, black pants or capris, and bare feet.

Creative Dance - solid leotard, pink tights, pink ballet shoes.

Jazz – black leotard, black jazz pants or capris, tan jazz shoes.

Hip Hop - solid colored camisole or fitted t-shirt (no logos), loose-fitting athletic pants, high-top shoes.

Musical Theater- solid colored shirt, black pants or capris, tan jazz shoes.

Tap - black leotard, black tights, black tap shoes. Optional shorts, skirt, or jazz pants.

Boys

Ballet - white T-shirt, black pants, black ballet shoes.

Breakdance - solid colored t-shirt (no logos), loose-fitting athletic pants, high-top shoes.

Contemporary - solid t-shirt, long shirt (layers), black pants, and bare feet.

Creative Dance - white T-shirt, black pants, black ballet shoes.

Jazz – black shirt, black jazz pants, black jazz shoes.

Hip Hop - solid colored t-shirt (no logos), loose-fitting athletic pants, high-top shoes.
Musical Theater- solid colored shirt, black pants, black jazz shoes.
Tap - black T-shirt, black pants, black tap shoes.

HAIR

Short hair must be pulled back out of face. Long hair must be pulled back in a ponytail, braid, or bun. No jewelry should be worn for class, except small earrings.

DANCE SHOES

Dance shoes may not be worn outside for any reason. Dirt on the bottoms of shoes destroys dance floors and ruins shoes.

RECITAL ATTENDANCE POLICY

Students who miss more than three classes in a semester may not be allowed to participate in the end-of-semester performance. Individual instructors determine that the student is prepared. Attendance at the dress rehearsal prior to the performances is MANDATORY. Students must attend all performances of their pieces. Students who cannot be at all performances will not be permitted to perform.

Spring Recital

Discover Dance dancers:
Rehearsal Thursday, April 23rd 3:30pm
Performance Saturday, April 25th 1:30pm

Youth Division:
Rehearsal Thursday, April 23rd 5:30pm.
Performances Friday, April 24th 6:30 and
Saturday, April 25th at 6:30

STUDIO POLICIES

OUR GOALS AND PHILOSOPHY

Our purpose at Durango Dance is to give children a place where they are seen as the unique and creative people they are. We do that by guiding them as individuals toward safe technique and creative expression. Our teachers make a point to invest in the individual. Music has a positive, inspirational message. Critiques are given to build up our dancers. Technique is taught progressively. Opportunities to perform are plentiful. We believe a community learning environment is key to student success, and we work together as teachers and families to provide the best dance experience for your child.

LEVEL PLACEMENT

Per our goals and philosophy, level placement is based on the needs of the individual dancer. For the safety of our students and to maintain the quality of training, dancers cannot always be placed in the same class with friends.

DROP OFF AND PICK UP

Students may arrive up to 30 minutes early for class (15 minutes before the first class of the day). Students may use that time to change, use the restroom, and eat a clean snack in the waiting room before class. Students must be picked up immediately following each class.

PARENT OBSERVATION

Observation is always allowed through the studio windows or doors. Please watch quietly and refrain from distracting students. In-room parent observation is permitted on an announced dates or upon invitation of the instructor. Special guests are allowed into the studios by permission of the instructor, as long as they observe quietly (no cell phone use when observing in class).

LOST AND FOUND

Lost & Found bin is located at the front office. It is emptied at the end of each month. Please ask a staff member to look through the bin.

SNOW CLOSURE

Durango Dance will follow 9R district closings, including Monday holidays and snow days.

Calendar

August 19th	First Day of Fall Classes Discover Dance classes
September 1st	Labor Day (No Classes)
September 2nd	First Day of Fall Classes for Youth Division
September 9th	9R Professional Development Day (No Classes)
October 28th	9R Professional Development Day (No Classes)
November 18th-22nd	Thanksgiving Break (No Classes)
December 16th-20th	Community Performances
December 20th	Last Day of Fall Semester
December 23rd-January 4th	Winter Break (No Classes)
January 1st	Spring Semester Payment Due
January 6th	First Day of Spring Semester for All Classes
February 17th	President's Day (No Classes)
March 23rd-27th	Spring Break (No Classes)
March 30th	9R Professional Development Day (No Classes)
April 20th-22nd	Picture Week
April 23rd	Dress Rehearsal
April 24th and 25th	Recitals - Friday 6:30, Saturday 6:30 Saturday 1:30
April 27th-May 1st	Community Performances
May 1st	Last Day of Classes