A Time to Dance Studio DRESS CODE GUIDELINES

2023 - 2024

- → For our Christmas Show, your student will wear what is listed next to their class plus an accessory, headpiece, or studio costume piece rental; A \$5 fee per class is due at registration for these items.
- → You may wear other styles of solid-colored leotards, dance shorts, and ballet skirts in class as well as studio apparel but should have the listed outfits to wear for the Christmas Show. No bare midriff outfits please.
- → Hair should always be securely and neatly pulled back for ALL CLASSES so that is does not come out or need adjusted during class. A ballet bun should be worn for ballet classes.
- → Remove loose necklaces and dangling earrings for class.
- → Wear the correct dance shoe or footwear to every class.

LISTED BELOW IS APPROPRIATE DRESS CODE FOR EACH OF OUR CLASSES.

ACROBATICS: black tank leotard, tan footless tights, black shorts, bare feet, ponytail- No bun

ADULT CLASSES: dance/athletic attire, Tap = black Oxford style tap shoes

BALLET Levels Primary, **1A**, **1B**, **2B**: pink short-sleeve leotard, "ballet pink" tights, light pink ballet skirt, pink ballet slippers

BALLET Levels 1C, 2C, 3, 4: black tank leotard, "ballet pink" tights, light pink ballet skirt, pink ballet slippers, pink pointe shoes when directed

BOYS: white or black t-shirt or tank, black or plain colored athletic shorts or dance pants, clean black athletic shoes (hip hop), black lace tap shoes, black ballet slippers/jazz shoes

CONTEMPORARY: black tank leotard, tan stirrup tights, black dance skirt, half-shoes or dance paws

HIP HOP: t-shirt or tank, black or moderately patterned leggings, or black athletic shorts, or dance pants, clean black athletic shoes—<u>please reserve this pair of shoes for dance only, and not outdoor use, to keep the studio floors clean</u> *Shirt color and pant style for Christmas show TBA in class

IRISH: black tank leotard, black tights, black dance skirt (not sheer), or black dance shorts, black ghillies (Irish soft shoe), black hard shoes when directed – we recommend Pacelli brand ghillies/pumps and Rutherford brand hard shoes

IRISH TROUPE: **Troupe purchases costumes at the start of the year and wears these for performances.

JAZZ and JUMPS, LEAPS, & TURNS: black tank leotard, tan tights, black or moderately patterned leggings or black shorts, tan jazz shoes

JUNIOR COMPANY: navy blue uniform on file with Stage Center, Capezio style # 1916 ballet pink tights, ballet slippers, pointe shoes for pointe members **Jr Co purchases costumes at the start of the year and wears these for performances.

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KICKLINE: solid color leotard or athletic tank top, dance shorts or skirt, tan tights, Mary-Jane style character shoes, clean athletic shoes available when called for **Kicklines purchase costumes at the start of the year and wear these for all performances. Shoes may require painting.

LYRICAL: black tank leotard, tan stirrup tights, black dance skirt, half-shoes or dance paws

MODERN: black tank leotard, tan stirrup tights, black shorts, bare feet

MUSICAL THEATER: solid color leotard or athletic tank top, black or moderately patterned leggings, or black athletic shorts, or dance pants, tan tights, tan jazz shoes *Christmas show attire TBA in class

PRE-COMPANY: mulberry uniform on file with Stage Center, any solid color skirt to match your leotard, Capezio style # 1916 or 1916C in color "ballet pink," ballet slippers

TAP: black tank leotard, tan tights, black or moderately patterned leggings or shorts Levels 1A, 1B, 1C, 2: Tan tap shoes--when they can tie them, Oxford style is preferred. Levels 3, 4, 5, Adult: Black Oxford style/lace-up tap shoes— better quality Capezio, Bloch, and professional styles recommended. NO Split Sole shoes

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Please make sure your dancer's shoes fit properly and securely so they can get the most out of class. Shoes that are too big or have too much room at the toe make it difficult for dancers to move correctly in the shoe. Leather shoes will also stretch. Linda, Marley, Patchouli, or Emily J can check your new shoes before you wear them if you would like.

Dressing correctly aids in dancer movement, dancer comfort, and visibility for instructors to give necessary corrections. You may use our changing area or the restroom to change before or after class if needed.

Where to find items:

We recommend <u>The Dance-Wear House</u>, <u>Stage Center</u>, and <u>Dancer's Pointe</u> for dance shoe and attire purchases. They are all helpful and trusted local businesses in our area. We recommend <u>Keilys</u> online store for Irish shoe purchases.