

# Welcome to Dream Dance Academy!

# Season 4 of DDA "Welcome to the Jungle"

Enrollment Packet

# 2023-2024

We can't wait to have you join us!



# Dream Dance 2023/2024 Registration Days

Join us at one of our Registration Days to see the studio, meet some of our teachers and register for Fall 2023/2024 classes! FREE Dream Dance tote bag while supplies last! We will be at the studio on the following days and times:

- Monday, August 7th: 4pm-6pm
- Wednesday, August 9th: 4:30pm-6:30pm
- Monday, August 15th: 1:30pm-6pm
- Friday August 19th: 1:30pm-6pm
- Monday, August 22nd: 1:30pm-6:00pm
- Wednesday, August 24th: 5pm-7pm
- Thursday, August 31st: 4:30pm-8:30pm
- All classes will begin Tuesday, September 5th!

Please understand in order for your child's registration to be complete and to be accepted into the class the following **MUST** be submitted:

- 1. Registration form must be filled out completely (please print and bring the last 5 pages of this packet with you to registration days if possible).
- 2. Registration Fee of \$30 per child (Non-Refundable)
- 3. One Costume Fee of \$100 (Non-Refundable after December 1<sup>st</sup>)

Thank you for choosing Dream for your dance education! We are VERY excited that you will be joining us for another amazing dance season!! If you do not hear from us by September 4th then your registration was accepted and the class/es you chose were available. Please understand that if you registered for a class that did not have at least 5 students enrolled in it by September 5th, you will be contacted and recommended to a different class!

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their Dreams." - Marie Curie



Welcome to Dream Dance Academy "where every child can not only learn to dance, but learn to love, appreciate and feel good about every step they make!" We believe in FUN in learning and we provide a relaxed environment so all children feel comfortable. Dance brings us all so much joy and we would be honored to share our love of dance with your children! Along with your children and an amazing teaching staff, we can make this experience a "Dream" come true! We offer 4 state of the art dance rooms with sprung wood and marley floors, quality sound systems, ballet barres and shatterproof mirrors. Everything has been cleaned and sanitized because cleanliness is a priority! We will have snacks, juice and water for sale in the office! We also offer 2 dancers lounges and a waiting area for our parents!



## **Registration**

Our first dance session will begin on **Tuesday, September 5th**. There is a \$30/student **non-refundable** registration fee. The registration deadline is January 15. You may register any day by mail. Dream Dance Academy, 1451 Rt. 46, Suite #7, Ledgewood, NJ 07852 or visit us at an Open House.

## **Emails**

Daily and Monthly newsletters and reminders will be sent via email ONLY. If you do not have an email address please let us know so we make sure you get a carbon copy each month.

## <u>Classes</u>

Dream offers a variety of classes from September to June including: Ballet, Pointe, Jazz, Tap, Lyrical, Contemporary, Technique, Musical Theater, Modern, Leaps & Turns, and Hip-Hop. In all classes (except Technique) technique is stressed the first half of the year, while in the second half we concentrate on our recital dance.

## Mid-Year Observation

Please understand that we generally keep the doors closed while classes are in session. Opened doors are very distracting especially for our young dancers. Therefore, in mid-January we invite parents into our DanceMix classes to see all the hard work and accomplishments thus far. Bring your cameras, video cameras, etc. More information will be given before December.

## End of Year Recital

In June, we will hold our 4th annual recital at Randolph Middle School, tentative date June 15th . The recital gives the children a chance to showcase all of their hard work and dedication displayed throughout the year. We encourage, but do not force, all children to perform in the recital. Our recitals are professionally videotaped and videos are available for purchase.

## **Studio Policies**

- Tuition is due by the 1<sup>st</sup> of every month and is non-refundable.
- A \$25 Late Fee must be paid if tuition is paid past the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month.

## **Costumes**

Every child performing in the recital must purchase a costume. Costume cost is \$100 and is due upon registering. A full reimbursement of the costume payment will be issued if by December 1st your child decides not to participate in the recital. Full payment will not be reimbursed thereafter. Price does not include alterations, tights or accessories. A \$10 late fee PER COSTUME will be applied if payment isn't received by the 1st.

## <u>School Closings and</u> <u>Vacation Dates</u>

• In the event of inclement weather, please check your emails/the studio Facebook for class cancellations. Dream is allotted 1 Snow Day for each dance day that will NOT be made up. Studio vacation dates are as follows:

• Halloween: Oct. 31st

 Thanksgiving Break: Nov. 23rd-26th
 Holiday Break: Dec. 221

• Holiday Break: Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>-Jan. 1st

- Presidents Day: Feb. 20th
- Spring Break: April 7th-14th
- Memorial Weekend: May 26th-29th



## **Class Placements**

Children are placed according to talent, skills, their ability to execute certain steps, prior dance experience and hard work, not necessarily age. Children are placed in classes appropriate to this criteria and are moved to the next level according to this criteria. \*If a child begins taking a class and needs to be moved to a more or less advanced class, adjustments will be made immediately

\*Ballet is the foundation for all other dance forms. It teaches grace, helps with balance and increases flexibility. It is recommended that all children take a ballet class in addition to their other classes. It is mandatory that anv student enrolled in a Competition Lyrical, Jazz or Contemporary class take a ballet and technique class. It is also mandatory that any student enrolled in a Competition Lyrical, Jazz, Modern or Contemporary class take a summer ballet intensive. NO EXCEPTIONS!

- After 3 weeks of non-payment, your child will not be permitted to dance.
- There is a \$25 Returned Check Fee. If a check is returned twice, cash payment will only be accepted.
- If you commit to a competition class in September you are committed until June and MUST participate in all rehearsals and competitions. Registration fee, Competition fees and Costume fees are non-refundable.



### Dream Classes:

#### Ballet

The backbone of all dance genres, ballet is a classical form of dance that focuses on alignment, posture, technique and musicality. Class will consist of but not be limited to barre work, adagio, allegro, across the floor and reverence. This is MANDATORY requirement for any student competing in Jazz, Lyrical, or Modern. It is HIGHLY recommended that all dancers take ballet class in addition to any other genre they wish to study.

DRESS CODE: pink ballet tights & leotard with hair in bun. No exceptions.

SHOES: pink ballet shoes either canvas split sole or leather split sole

#### **Teeny Boppers**

For children ages 2-3

A great class for little ones who need to move and groove! 45 minute class that introduces the very basics in movement, balance, coordination and sensory skills. Interactive games are incorporated including parachute play, balance games, obstacle courses, etc. Teeny dancers will perform in the recital and do NOT need to be potty trained. DRESS CODE: leotard, tights, pink ballet shoes

#### DanceMix

For children ages 3-5

A fun and engaging introduction to dance! Each class is an hour long and will include either a half an hour of ballet and half an hour of tap OR half jazz and half hip hop! This will include across the floor, center work and ALWAYS finish with a fun and engaging game. Children will only perform one genre in the recital. The teacher will pick which genre based on how the class develops.

DRESS CODE: leotard & tights with pink ballet shoes & black tap shoes, OR comfortable clothing with jazz shoes and black hip hop shoes

#### Нір Нор

An upbeat and high energy class! This dance form is front and center in our daily lives. Come get funky with exciting and current choreography set to current hip hop music. DRESS CODE: comfy clothes SHOES: sneakers

#### **Musical Theater**

Lights, camera, action! Musical theater is perfect for those who want to learn the art of acting mixed with dancing! Students are able to express themselves using facial expressions and



emotion! This class will consist of broadway jazz style movement and music from popular musicals, plays, and movies! DRESS CODE: comfortable clothing SHOES: decided by instructor

#### Jazz

Sassy and upbeat! Fun and energizing! Jazz focuses on technical skills such as pirouettes, jetes, and flexibility. Jazz mixes hip hop, broadway and contemporary moves that has captured audiences attention for years!

DRESS CODE: tank top/crop top/sports bra & shorts/tights/leggings SHOES: decided by instructor

#### Lyrical

Focusing on technical skills such as leaps, pirouettes and battements with the incorporation of emotion and learning to express oneself through dance and music. Lyrical will incorporate some of today's contemporary style with fluidity, uniqueness, and beauty. Ballet is highly recommended to take while taking lyrical.

DRESS CODE: tank top/leotard/crop top/sports bra & shorts/tights/leggings SHOES: turners

#### Тар

Focusing on musicality and rhythm, the dancer learns to express themselves through their feet and through sound.

DRESS CODE: no baggy clothes please SHOES: black full sole Bloch Tap shoes

#### Technique

Strength and conditioning to build strong dancers! Flexibility will be a main focus. Technique is super important in every style of dance! This class is REQUIRED for any dancer competing in jazz, lyrical or modern.

DRESS CODE: leotard/tank top/crop top/sports bra & shorts/leggings/tights SHOES: barefeet or turners

#### Leaps and Turns

A fun class consisting of strictly leaps and turns! Learn the proper techniques to achieve high beautiful leaps as well as perfecting pirouettes!

DRESS CODE: tank top/leotard/crop top/sports bra & shorts/leggings/tights SHOES: turners

#### Tumble/Acro



Come learn the basics of gymnastics infused with dance! We offer beginner and advanced level classes for those interested in working on their gymnastics skill!

#### **Cheer Funk**

A new style to Dream where dancers will learn pom and dance team moves! This style incorporates hip hop and jazz with sharp and energetic movements! DRESS CODE: comfortable clothing SHOES: sneakers

#### Class Levels (also based on skill):

Teeny Boppers: Ages 2-3 Dance Mix & Tumble: Ages 3-5 Lets Dance & Cheer Funk: Ages 6-8 Primary: Ages 9-13 Advanced: Ages 14+

#### **Competition Team:**

Petite Elite Mini Elite Junior Elite Teen Elite Senior Elite

#### 2023/2024 Pricing:

	10 month	Pay in Full (Sep-June)
1/2 hour class:	25	-
1 class:	70	650
2 classes:	125	1200
3 classes:	195	1875
4 classes:	255	2500
5 classes:	325	3200
6 classes:	395	3850
7 classes:	465	4550
8 classes:	535	4250
9 classes :	605	5950
10 classes:	675	6600
11 classes:	745	7350
12+ classes:	\$15/cla	SS



Private 1 hour lessons (ultimately up to the choreographer's discretion): Solo: \$35 per session (\$25 for half hour) ~ \$300 upfront for choreography Duet: \$25 per student per session ~ \$200 upfront per dancer for choreography Trio: \$20 per student per session ~ \$175 upfront per dancer for choreography Special Small Group: \$20 per student per session ~ \$100 upfront per dancer for choreography \*cash or check to be paid directly to instructor\*

#### Registration fee: \$30 per student includes FREE tote bag (while supplies last) Recital Fee: \$40 dollars per family includes one show ticket Costume fees: \$100 per costume

## 2023/2024 Schedule of Classes

## Teeny Boppers (2-3 yrs. Old):

Saturday	
9:45-10:30	

## DanceMix & Tumble (3-5 yrs. Old):

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Saturday
4:30-5:30	5:30-6:30	5:30-6:30	Tumble	10:30-11:30
Ballet/Tap	Jazz/Hip Hop	Ballet/Tap	5:30-6:30	Ballet/Tap

## Let's Dance (K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade):

Monday	Wednesday	Thursday
Ballet	Cheer Funk	Jazz
5:30-6:30	4:30-5:30	4:30-5:30
Hip Hop	Тар	Нір Нор
5:30-6:30	5:30-6:30	5:30-6:30
Lyrical		Beginner Acro
6:30-7:30		6:30-7:30



# Primary (3-7<sup>th</sup> Grade):

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Jazz 6:30-7:30	Beginner Ballet 4:30-5:30	Leaps & Turns 4:30-5:30
Hip Hop 7:30-8:30	Tap 5:30-6:30	Intermediate Ballet 5:30-6:30
	Lyrical 6:30-7:30	Musical Theater 6:30-7:30
		Beginner Acro 6:30-7:30

# Advanced (8-12<sup>th</sup> Grade):

Wednesday	Thursday
Acro	Нір Нор
7:30-8:30	6:30-7:30
Lyrical	Jazz
7:30-8:30	7:30-8:30
	Advanced Acro
	7:30-8:30

## **Technique:**

Monday	Wednesday
Junior/Teen	Leaps & Turns
Strength &	4:30-5:30
Conditioning	
6:30-7:30	
Teen/Senior	
Strength &	
Conditioning	
7:30-8:30	



### **Adult Classes:**

Wednesday	Thursday
Тар	Ballet
7:30-8:30	7:30-8:30

#### Attendance:

Attendance is super important! If a child misses a class, they can make up their class with a class of the same genre and level. Please don't come to class if your child is sick or not feeling well. Please call the studio and schedule before coming to a makeup class. There will be no refunds or credits given for missed classes.

#### **Inclement Weather:**

In the event of inclement weather, closures and status will be updated via the studios website, voicemail, Facebook page, Instagram and as well as your personal email. Each class receive one weather related closure, outside of that a makeup class will be held for any subsequent closures. 1 Snow Day per week day will be applied with no make-up classes. If another closure is to arise we will provide a make-up plan.



## **BOOK YOUR NEXT BIRTHDAY PARTY!**

Dream Dance offers birthday parties on Saturdays/Sundays! We take care of everything so you don't have to! We provide the food, drinks, and decorations!

Call for more information! Pricing goes by per child + a set up/cleaning fee!



## DREAM DANCE 2023/2024 Registration Form

Student First Name:				
Last Name:				
Please circle one: Male / Female Date of Birth: (mm/dd/yy)				
Years at Dream Dance Academy:				
Home Address:				
Email Address:				
School:				
Disabilities:				
Allergies:				
Medications:				
Student's Primary Doctor:				
Phone Number:				
Preferred Hospital:				
Health Insurance Carrier:				
Other Information you feel should be brought to our attention:				
1st Parent /Guardian First Name:				
Last Name:				
Relationship to Student				
Home Address (if not same)				



Phone: Home:	Ρ	hone:	Home:
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Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Email\_\_\_\_\_

2nd Parent /Guardian First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Student \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address (if not same)

Phone: Home:	 
Work:	
Cell:	 
Email	

## **Emergency Contact**

Full Name:	
Relationship to Student	
Phone: Home:	
Work:	
Cell:	

## **Class Preferences**

(see website or printed schedule for class descriptions and times)

1. Class _			
Day	Time		
2. Class_			
Day	Time		
3. Class_			
Day	Time		
4. Class			



Day	Time			
5. Class				
Day				
Day Time				
6. Class				
Day	Time			

\*Reminder: During the first month, students may be moved to a different class based on their ability and skill level. Please trust that our staff knows what's best for each student and wants them to excel in everything they do! If a class does not have more than 5 students, you will be notified and recommended to a different class.\*

#### Dream Dance Academy 1451 US-46 Ledgewood NJ 07852 https://dreamdancestudio.com

#### Assumption of Risk, Release of Liability, Medical Emergencies

As the legal parent or guardian, I hereby release and hold harmless Dream Dance Academy, its owners, agents, servants and employees from and against any and all liability, claims, demands, and causes of action whatsoever, arising out of or related to any loss, misadventure, harm, cost, damage, or injury, including death, that may arise from or relate to my child's and/or the participant's participation in Dream Dance Academy classes and other activities while in or upon the premises or any premises under the control and/or supervision of Dream Dance Academy, their owners and operators, or while en route to or from any of such premises. I certify that my child is in good health and proper physical condition to take part in dance activities. I understand that participation in classes involves physical movement and, therefore, there are certain risks inherent in the art of dancing. I agree to provide medical insurance for my child and family. If my emergency contact cannot be reached, I give permission to the staff of Dream Dance Academy to render aid or to act on my behalf to obtain emergency medical treatment for the above named student for any illness or injury that may occur while attending classes, rehearsal, performances, or on the premises.

Payment and Other Policies

- Tuition is payable under one of the following payment plans and due dates:
- i. 1 Payment, due upon registration;



ii. 10 Payments due as follows: 1st at registration; next 9 on the 10th of each month, starting 10/10/23, ending 6/10/24

• If my payment for any charge is overdue by four (4) days or more, I hereby authorize Dream to charge my credit/debit card (that I have provided below) for the full amount due including any past due fees and charges.

• All checks are payable to "Dream Dance" and a service fee of \$25.00 will be charged for every bounced check. A late fee of \$25.00 per month for all missed payments will be assessed and payable regardless of the reason.

• I understand that failure to pay tuition, late fees, or any other charges may result in termination of my child's participation in their classes and any other Dream Dance Academy activities until such a point that my account is made current.

I understand that all recital costume charges are due on or before December 1, 2023 and that my child's participation in the annual recital is subject to my payment in full of all amounts due.
I understand that if I decide to drop out of a class, I must notify the Dream Dance Academy business manager in writing by the 5th of the preceding month in which my student is dropping to avoid being charged for the month (for example, you must notify the office on or before the 5th of October to avoid being charged for November).

• I understand that (a) all registration fees are non-refundable, (b) Dream Dance Academy does NOT issue refunds for any reason, including missed classes due to illness, vacation, religious observance, inclement weather studio closings, or withdrawal, and (c) any missed classes may be made up in a similar class during the same school year, subject to availability.

• I understand and agree to adhere to the following: (i) Dream Dance Academy policies, including those described on the Dream website; and (ii) if my child is a Dream Dance Competition Team member, the responsibilities described in the Dream Dance Competition Team Agreement. I understand and agree that Dream Dance Academy may periodically send me billing statements and information via email and text.

Select Payment Plan:

In Full (due upon registration);
10 Payment Plan (monthly, SeptJune)
Registration Fee:
Tuition:
Total:

#### Acknowledgement of Understanding

I have read this agreem	ent and agree (by printing and signing my name below):
Signature:	
Date:	
Print Your Full Name: _	

