



Dance With Us America

General Policies

1. Day/Time adjustments are made to classes based on 3 or less students in attendance.
 2. The Studio Director/Instructor has discretion to require that a student observe a lesson for appropriate reasons.
 3. Please be prompt in dropping off and picking up your student
 4. For their safety, all students 11 years of age or younger must be escorted into the studio before lessons and wait inside the studio to be picked up after lessons.
 5. Ensure your student is with an instructor and in a lesson before leaving.
 6. No gum chewing during class at any time.
 7. No Food or Drink allowed in the studio (water ok).
 8. Parents are responsible for monitoring all siblings not in lessons.
 9. Dance With Us America dance studio and it's staff are not liable for any damage to or losses of personal property or valuables.
 10. All imagery including, but not limited to, photographs and video recordings of a student is the sole property of the Studio and may be used at the discretion of the Studio for advertising/promotional purposes
 11. NO person(s) allowed in the dance space without a Dance With Us America instructor present.
 12. Dance With Us America has a 24 hour cancellation policy for Private Lessons. Student will be charged in full for class if an instructor is notified of a schedule change less than 24 hours in advance of the schedule private lesson. Some exceptions apply in case of increment weather, illness or other emergencies.
 13. It is the responsibility of the parent to inform Dance With Us America of any changes of enrollment for Competitive Group classes – you will be responsible to pay the invoice and will not be refunded if a dancer takes a month off. For Competitive Group classes, the commitment is from September – May. If parent/student cancels classes part of the way through the year, they will not be allowed to re-join until the following year in September.
 14. Dance With Us America Dance Studios reserves the right to refuse service to anyone.
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Registration

1. A Registration Form & Waiver of Liability must be completed for every student before enrolling in any lessons or participating in any trial classes.
 2. A lifetime studio registration fee of \$25 will be charged for every new student.
 3. Please supply requested updates to your client account when requested by Dance With Us America in a timely manner.
 4. ALL class placements are solely at the discretion of the Instructor and/or Studio Director.
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Tuition Policy

1. Studio tuition payments are non refundable & non transferable
2. **Private Lesson (including Visiting Coaches):**
 - **Studio tuition for private lesson payments are due prior to starting the first lesson in Private Lesson package. Class cannot be started until the private lesson or the private lesson package is paid.**
 - **Private lesson tuition is considered late after the first lesson from a Private Lesson package or an individual private lesson is complete.**
3. **Competitive Group Classes:**
 - **Studio tuition for group class payments are due on the 1st of each month for the upcoming month of classes.**
 - **Studio group class tuition is considered late on the 5th of each month.**
4. **Recreational Group Classes:**
 - **Studio tuition for group class payments are due on the 1st day of each session for the upcoming session.**
 - **Studio group class tuition is considered late 5 days after the 1st day of session classes.**
5. The Account Holder is responsible for making tuition payments on time to avoid late fees & penalties
6. **If the studio is closed on the 1st of the month or anytime through the 1st of the month customers may remit payment by Venmo, set up auto pay, or pay by phone. We greatly appreciate customers setting up payment before absences and vacations to avoid paying late fees**
7. Make up classes are offered as a courtesy and will not be guaranteed by Dance With Us America Dance Studios. There will be one scheduled make up class per



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session for Recreational group classes. Make up classes will not be offered for Competitive group classes.

8. ***30 Day notice is required to cancel an Account Holder's studio account; without 30 day notice Account Holder agrees to pay tuition for all months charged. Students will not be considered withdrawn from the studio or any specific class until the Dance With Us America Dance Studio is notified in writing.***

LATE FEE Policy

1. Overdue accounts are automatically charged late fees on the 2nd of each month (Competitive) or on the 2nd day of the session (Recreational)
2. Fees:
 - \$10 per each late tuition for private lesson per person
 - \$20 per month late for tuition for Competitive classes
 - \$20 per session late for tuition for Recreational classes
3. Payment forms currently accepted by Dance With Us America Dance Studios include Cash, Check, Venmo. Credit Card may be used, however please note 3% fee for credit card processing will be enforced. NSF fees are non-refundable.
4. Additional Fees: \$35 NSF Check fee for all returned checks
5. Dance With Us America Dance Studios offers Auto Pay if you are using a credit card and would like to add it on file into our system.

Dance With Us America Dancer Dress Code

1. Students are required to wear appropriate shoes and attire to all lessons; *Jeans are not acceptable for any lesson.*
2. Parents are responsible to supply all appropriate shoes & dance attire.
3. Appropriate dance shoes must be worn to class. Please inquire at the front desk to get help with ordering appropriate shoes.
4. Hair must be pulled away from the face and securely fastened.
5. No excessive jewelry should be worn during lessons.
6. No outside shoes allowed on the dance floors.
7. Dance shoes must not be worn outside.
8. Dance With Us America Dance Studios is not responsible for any loss, theft, damage to personal property.

Group Class Attendance



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1. Students should strive for perfect attendance year-round. For students to participate in any performances they must attend regularly.
 2. Please notify the studio as soon as possible if a student will be absent from a group lesson.
 3. There are no credits given for missed lessons.
 4. Make-up classes are offered as a courtesy; availability can not be guaranteed.
 5. Long term absences (more than 3 weeks) without notice will automatically forfeit a student's place in a class and Account Holder will be required to pay for all missed months.
 6. The Studio Lesson Schedule is subject to change without notice.
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Private Lessons

1. Private Lessons are offered to students per pricing provided on our website. Prices are subject to change. The students will be notified if changes occur.
 2. Private Lessons must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance (some exceptions apply).
 3. Private Lessons are available with both Senior and Junior Coaches. Scheduling can be completed at the front desk or directly with the coach.
 4. Dance With Us America has a 24 hour cancellation policy for Private Lessons. Student will be charged in full for class if an instructor is notified of a schedule change less than 24 hours in advance of the schedule private lesson. Some exceptions apply in case of increment weather, illness or other emergencies.
 5. Competitive students will be required to take at least 2 (two) private lessons per week in addition to Competitive Group classes. This is to ensure that they have routines, proper technique, good presentation and are ready to compete.
 6. Recreational students are encouraged, but not required, to take private lessons.
 7. Private Lessons with Visiting coaches are available during those coaches visit to the studio. A communication about sign-up form will be distributed to ensure proper scheduling. Prices for private lessons vary based on type of coach that is visiting the studio.
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Competitions and Showcases



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1. Competition Participation:

- Dance With Us America will announce a list of the competitions that the studio plans to go to for the given 3-, 6-, 9- months. Some competitions will be local to Minnesota and some competitions will be out of state.
- Students are not required, however are encouraged, to participate in competitions.
- Competitive students must discuss participation with their partner (or coach if dancing pro-am/mixed-am) if a couple is available to perform at the event. Please note, there is a solo category that a child can perform in without a partner.
- Recreational students must discuss with their instructor to determine if they are ready to compete.

2. Competition Registration:

- Registration for competitions will start 30 day prior to event. Studio reserves the right to request registration entries earlier.
- Each student will be charged a \$10 fee for registration for each competition.

3. Competition Costumes:

- Parents are responsible for purchasing necessary costumes far in advance of the competition season. Please note, if your student does not have proper costuming, they may be disqualified during a competition by chairman.
- Parents must inquire and purchase appropriate costuming prior to the start of Fall Season. Dance With Us America is NOT responsible in case students gets disqualified due to not meeting costuming requirements.
- Costume rules for girls and boys are located on the North Dance Council of America (NDCA) rule book: 2021 January - Compiled Rule Book Master v1.pdf (ndca.org). Some additional information for Pre-Teen girls' attire is located on the following website: NDCA: The National Dance Council of America

4. Showcases:

- Showcase/recital opportunities will be offered throughout the year to help students gain more confidence, experience and really learn that art of performing in front an audience.
- Students are encouraged (but not required) to participate in showcases as it gives them an opportunity to practice their skills and show off in front of parents, relatives, and friends. Please, note – this is a great opportunity for Recreational students to learn what competitions will look like in the future.
- Showcase cost is \$20 fee per student for each showcase.
- If student (under age of 18) is dancing with a Coach or Junior Coach, a fee of \$10 per dance will be charged in addition to student showcase admission fee.
- If student (over age of 18) is dancing with a Coach or Junior Coach, a fee of \$15 per dance will be charged in addition to student showcase admission fee.
- Student may choose to dance without a partner (solo) if their partner or coach is not available.
- Costuming rules for showcases are not enforced, however a student is expected to wear either their practice wear or a competition costume.



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Professional-Armature and Mixed-Armature

1. Pro-Am and Mixed-Am program is designed for students who are interested in competing, but do not have a consistent partner with whom they can participate in competitions and showcases. The following rules apply:
 - Student must take at least **5 lessons per style** in the month leading up to the selected competition or showcase with the Professional or Mixed-Am coach.
 - Pricing and Payments:
 - Student must pay all competition registration fees for themselves and the coach.
 - Student must pay for coach travel expenses (if competition is out of state). Some exceptions and discounts may apply, see studio for details.
 - Fees: In addition for competition payments, the student will incur the following changes:
 - For dancing with a Professional coach - student will pay **\$250 per style per competition.**
 - For dancing with a Mixed-Am coach – student will pay **\$100 per style per competition.**
 - Showcases:
 - Showcases are local events and do not require payments for travel or registration expenses.
 - Fees: Regular showcase pricing applies to each student. In addition to showcase pricing, the students will incur the following charges:
 - For dancing with a Professional or Mixed-Am coach - student will pay **\$10 per dance (students under 18) or \$15 per dance (for adults) per showcase.**