

Patricia Ann Competition Team Agreement 2023-2024

The Patricia Ann Competition Team was created to encourage, nurture and train student dancers with a desire to take their studies beyond the classroom. Team offers these dancers the opportunity to increase their skill level and performance quality through rehearsals, drills and performances. Competition team is a commitment for the whole family of time, energy and money. This agreement defines the expectations for you and your dancer.

Each level has a mandatory schedule of dance technique classes that are required for team participation in addition to team rehearsal time.

Dancers are divided into levels by age and ability:

Minis: 5-6 years- Pre Ballet/Tap classes.

Petites ages 7-9 years - one mandatory ballet class, one choice class.

Juniors ages 10-12 years- two mandatory ballet classes, (pointe class, if applicable) one choice class.

Teen ages 13-15 years- two ballet + one pointe (pointe, if applicable) classes, two choice.

Seniors ages 16-20 years- three mandatory ballet(pointe, if applicable) two choice.

Schedules for rehearsals are emailed with all of the rehearsal times. **Rehearsals are held on Friday evenings 4:30-9:30p.m. and Saturdays between 9a.m. and 5p.m. Some solo rehearsals can be scheduled with the coach at the convenience of both dancer and coach.**

Solos are awarded after evaluation and at the discretion of the team staff.

- Annual Team fee \$195.00 (due by October 31st)
- Monthly Solo fee -(one solo) \$80.00, (two solos) \$150.00, (three solos) \$200.00
- Monthly Group dance fee (one fee covers all group dances) \$75.00

Team monthly fees are due each month to the office August 2023- June 2024 regardless of Nationals participation.

***Team fees cover coaches' hours finding music, editing music, choreography, costuming, competition hours, travel as well as the actual hours teaching and coaching.**

***NOTE** Team dancers pay \$285.00 for the unlimited dance classes. This discount is only offered to the team dancers! These dancers benefit so much from multiple discipline classes, we are trying to make this more accessible for all.*

The team attends three regional competitions in/near Tampa as a group. None of these competitions will be scheduled before the January 2024.

Classical ballet soloists will be offered additional regional competitions with YAGP and ADCIBC, UBC to offer more opportunities to compete, receive critique, build strength and confidence. These events offer students summer intensive scholarship opportunities that are not offered through other competitions.

Tap soloists can utilize their solos for video entry into summer tap festivals and camps. All other dancers will have several opportunities for community shows throughout our area. These opportunities can be used for community service hours.

Dancers will also have the opportunity to join the NHSDA(National Honor Society for Dance Arts) All class, rehearsal, volunteer and performance hours will put them in position to join, in addition to maintaining a 3.0 GPA in their school academics. This will, of course, be a permanent part of their resume for college. We host a chapter for Middle School and a chapter for High School students.

Team members are required to have team warm up jackets for competition.

Rehearsal absences for illness are excused. Rehearsal absences for events(i.e., field trips, weddings, etc.) please notify the team staff as soon as possible, so the schedule can be adjusted and coaches notified. If it's a solo, duet or trio, we would prefer to reschedule. The time is valuable and can be used for another person(s) rehearsal.

Dancers are expected to arrive on time and prepared for rehearsals with proper clothing, shoes and hair. Dancers are expected to review and practice choreography as suggested by coaches. Dancers are expected to maintain good attendance in their weekly classes, so they sustain and continue to develop stamina, strength and technique.

At competition, dancers are expected to arrive one and one half hours before their scheduled dance time (unless they are scheduled for the top of the day). Backstage dancers are expected to show good sportsmanship, kindness, and respect to all dancers who are competing.

All team dancers are responsible for knowing their rehearsal schedule. Open dance hours are available upon request for independent solo practice. There are no studio

rental fees charged for the studio space to any team dancers. This time is included in your team fees! Please set hours with the studio so rooms do not get double booked.

I have read and understand this team agreement. I will do my best to follow the team rules.

Dancer _____ Date _____

Parent/ guardian _____

Current parent email: _____

Dancer email: _____