

SOPHISTICATION DANCE COMPANY

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2021-2022 **SDC INFORMATION**

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Competitive and non-competitive Information:

New Attitude Seniors	Coaches: Krystle & Shelby	18 & under
New Attitude Juniors	Coaches: Krystle & Shelby	15 & under
Little Attitudes Elementary	Coaches: Becka & Krystle	13 & under
Little Attitudes Minis	Coaches: Kelley & Ashley	10 & under
Tiny Attitudes	Coaches: Ashley, Kelley & Sam	9 & under (must be in Kindergarten)
Teeny Tiny Attitudes	Coaches: Ashley, Kelley & Kim	5 & under

*****Placement on all competition teams will be at the Coaches' discretion.**

Non-competitive dancers' practice with the competition dancers.

Tumbling Classes: Coaches: Abby & Krystle

This class is offered to all dancers Kindergarten and up. It is included in the monthly fee for: Teeny Tinys, Tinys, Minis and Elementary. Juniors and Seniors must pay a one-time annual fee of \$45 to attend this class. This class is also offered to any students who only want to take tumbling classes.

Technique Classes: Coaches: Shelby, Abby, Becka & Krystle

Technique is MANDATORY for **ALL** team members on Minis and up and is included in your monthly fee. We offer two separate technique classes. Your coaches will select which class each dancer needs to attend. Tiny team members and all Non-competitive team members may come to technique A on Wednesdays. This is not included in your monthly fee and is an extra \$15 a month if you choose to come to this class. This class is not offered to Teeny Tinys.

Practices:

Practices will be held at the SDC Studio. Our dance season starts in June and will run through April. All practices are **MANDATORY**. **ALL DANCERS** must attend and be present for the entire time of all practices the week of a competition, shows, recitals, etc. or they will **NOT** be permitted to perform at that event. It's understood that there will be times when your dancer cannot attend a practice and Krystle must be the one to excuse them. You will need to contact your dancers' coach to communicate this as soon as possible so they know why your child is not in attendance. Practices will start promptly. Please arrive **5 minutes early** so you will be ready to begin at your scheduled practice time.

Practice Times:

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>
Minis 4:30-6:30	Elem 4:30-6:30	Teenys 5:30-6:15
Technique B 5:00-6:00		Technique A 5:00-6:00
Tinys 6:00-7:30		Tumbling 6:00-7:30

*****JUNIORS AND SENIORS TIMES MAY VARY DUE TO OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES THEY ARE INVOLVED**
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Competitions:

Seniors, Juniors, Little Attitudes and Mini team do 5-7 Competitions per year. Most of these competitions are held in the Columbus, Dayton, Cincinnati and Kentucky area. Tiny and Teeny Tiny teams do 3 competitions per year. These are held in the Columbus and Dayton area. **Traveling is mandatory and supplied by you.**

Most competitions are held on Saturday or Sunday. They start early in the morning and last until early evening. Krystle will discuss competitions more as we get closer to the "season" so you and your child will understand how the competitions are ran and what is expected of the dancers and parents while we are there.

Financial Responsibilities:

Payments are due on the **1st** of every month, no exceptions. **All** payments will be made online through our website at www.sophisticationdance.com. We will provide you with a payment information sheet to help you through this process. You may call or text Denny for questions or concerns with your account. You may only discuss concerns on your account with Denny. There will be **NO REFUNDS ISSUED OF ANY FUNDS**. There is a rolling file cart that will have a file folder with your child's name on it. We will place this out in the upstairs practice area, and you will need to check this monthly. This is where your credit receipts, monthly statements and any other needed information will be placed.

There will be a \$35.00 late fee applied to your account on the 6th day of the month for ANY balances that is still due on your account and this will continue to accrue each month until the account is brought current with a ZERO balance. If your account is late for 2 consecutive months, YOU WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE COMPANY. There will be a \$35.00 charge for any returned check.

Costuming:

The Director and team coaches will determine which routines the dancers will be performing with their team. Some of the items that will be ordered for your dancer will be reusable the following year. The costumes will be chosen after the selection of music has been made. All costuming will be ordered through SDC. Little Attitudes Elementary and Senior Hip Hop teams are a selected routine.

Senior team will have 1-5 costumes ordered.

Junior team will have 1-4 costumes ordered.

Elementary will have 1-3 costumes ordered.

Mini team will have 1-2 costumes ordered.

Tiny team will have 2 costumes ordered.

Teeny Tiny team will have 2 costumes ordered.

Fundraisers:

We will be doing a fundraiser at the beginning of the year to help you earn money for your expenses. There are 2 types of fundraisers that we do:

COMPANY: This is a fundraiser that is sponsored by the company and **EVERYONE** on the competition teams must participate in. Our annual golf outing is the one for this. This money comes back to you by less money you will have to pay out of your pocket for competition fees. If you do not fully participate in this fundraiser, your dance account will be charged immediately after the event and your payment will be due the following month in addition to your monthly payment.

INDIVIDUAL: These are fundraisers that YOU choose to participate in to earn money that will go directly to your account to help pay for your expenses. It is your choice to do the “individual” fundraisers. We highly encourage you to do them to help you keep your out-of-pocket expenses down. We sometimes need a minimum amount to be able to do a fundraiser. If anyone has any ideas for fundraisers, please let us know.

Parents Informational Meetings:

There are **MANDATORY** parent meetings for **ALL COMPETITIVE** parents that you will need to attend. This is our way of discussing information that we are giving to you and making sure that everyone has it. It is also a good time to ask “GENERAL” questions you may have. Please make arrangements to attend these meetings. We would like that there not be any children present, as they can become loud and distracting during the meetings. A sign-in sheet will be available at the beginning of the meeting and your name must appear on it or your dance account will be charged a **\$35.00** fee for every meeting you miss. We will also have a drawing for a **\$45.00** credit to your monthly fees. **You** must be present and your account **current** to win. These are held on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:30pm in June, August, November and January.

Non-Competitive Classes:

These are for students who are new to participating on dance teams. It is also for those who would like to dance without the commitment that is necessary for our competitive teams. In these cases, you will learn the different styles of dance we perform while focusing on proper technique and flexibility. Students may join the non-competitive classes at any time, unlike our Competitive teams that are determined and set in June. They will be doing two recitals to show their families and friends all they have learned. One is at the beginning of the dance season at our “Snow Show” and the final one at our “Spring Show” at the end of the dance season. You must purchase SDC Team shirt and black shorts for the recitals.

Private Lessons:

These lessons are an opportunity for dancers/tumblers to work on technique, choreography or tumbling skills. They can also include additional solo practice with someone other than your choreographer to help you perfect your routine. Dancers on competitive teams will utilize this to learn what they missed in team class practices.

***Dates and times are set up between you and the instructor.

***Payments are made directly to the instructor before class begins.

***You can take as many of these lessons as you wish.