

We would like to welcome you to Showcase Dance Centre! This information should help to get your dancer off to a great start! If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know. We are looking forward to this exciting new season with your dancer!

**Tuition Rates & Fees**

Showcase Dance Centre (SDC) uses a sliding scale to calculate tuition rates. Add up the amount of time per week of classes, then slide over and find the rate of tuition per month. Whether a month has 3 weeks or 5 weeks, tuition remains the same. This includes holidays or inclement weather days. Tuition Fees are non-refundable. Competition team members add an additional \$20/month to the total monthly tuition.

Number of Hours/week	Tuition per Month	Number of Hours/week	Tuition per Month	Number of Hours/week	Tuition per Month
30-45 Min.	\$70.00	2.75 hours	\$106.00	4.75 hours	\$130.00
1 hour	\$75.00	3 hours	\$109.00	5 hours	\$133.00
1.25 hours	\$80.00	3.25 hours	\$112.00	5.25 hours	\$136.00
1.5 hours	\$85.00	3.5 hours	\$115.00	5.5 hours	\$139.00
1.75 hours	\$90.00	3.75 hours	\$118.00	5.75 hours	\$142.00
2 hours	\$95.00	4 hours	\$121.00	6 hours	\$145.00
2.25 hours	\$100.00	4.25 hours	\$124.00	Unlimited	\$148.00
2.5 hours	\$103.00	4.5 hours	\$127.00	Competition	add \$20.00
<b>Late Fee</b>				\$15.00	
<b>NSF/Returned Check Fee</b>				\$30.00	

**Payments**

Tuition payments are due by the 1st of each month, no later than the 10th, and can be paid via cash, check. After the 10th of the month, a \$15 Late Fee will be charged and enforced on all accounts past due. Late notices will not sent out. Tuition is not pro-rated for absences or studio closures. Students are encouraged to attend makeup classes for classes missed, if they are available.

CHECKS: Make out checks to Showcase Dance Centre with students name in memo line and what payment is for. CREDIT

CARDS: Credit card payments are available and can be made in the office.

**Discounts**

Discounts are limited to one (1) per family

- Sibling Discounts: Student with greater number of hours is charged full tuition, each sibling after will receive a 25% tuition only discount.
- Boys: 50% off tuition.
- Year in Full: Pay year in full to receive a 10% tuition only discount, must be paid in full by September 15th.

**Additional Fees** All Fees are non-refundable

Fee	Amount	Due
Registration Fee	\$35.00/Student	Due at registration
Recital Costume	\$85.00/Student	October 15th
Competition Costume Desposit	\$90.00/Student	Aug/Sept/Oct
Recital Fee	\$80.00/Student	January 1st
Competition Costume Balance	to be calculated	March 1st

## **Recital & Recital Fee**

We encourage all students to perform in our end of year recital, so that they have the opportunity to display all that they have learned during the year.

1. **Recital Fee:** The recital fee covers the cost of the auditorium and allows students to invite as many guests as they like by eliminating ticket sales. If your dancer withdraws from classes after February 28, the recital fee will not be refunded.
2. **Opting Out of Recital:** Students must participate in recital for all classes or not participate in the recital at all. Students cannot pick and choose particular classes for recital. Students and parents are responsible for informing SDC in writing no later than October 31, if a student is not going to participate in recital. Notice must be provided directly to the office.

## **Absences & Inclement Weather Missed Classes:**

If a student misses more than 1 class, please contact the office so that the instructor is aware of the circumstances. There are no refunds for missed classes. **Excessive Absences:** Students with excessive absences may be pulled from the recital dance with no refund. This is at teacher discretion. **Inclement Weather:** In case of inclement weather, you will most likely receive an email, also check the studio Facebook page, pertaining to the classes. However if you feel that it is not safe to travel during these times, we encourage that you stay home.

## **Waiting & Lobby Guidelines**

**Parking Lot:** Please NO double parking (Double parking is where you park directly behind someone.) and NO blocking the side driveways, there is an additional parking area in the rear of the building. The Veterinarian office is not our parking lot so please be respectful and not block them in.

**Student Drop Off:** Students should arrive to class 5 minutes early and should be prepared for class with shoes and a trip to the potty to cut down on any trips during class. Please walk your student in to make sure they get into class and to see if there is any information that you may need on the board.

**Student Pick Up:** Parents must arrive on time to pick up their students. Parents must come inside to pick up their children. We will have students waiting in the hallway for parents to pick up.

**Food and Drinks:** Please keep food, drinks and gum to a minimum. You are required to clean up after eating/drinking in the studio at all times. This includes throwing away any trash, sweeping up crumbs, wiping and cleaning up any spills. Please help by doing your part to keep our studio nice and clean for you and others.

**No Horseplay:** Parents are to keep students and siblings from horsing around in the hallways. Students can hear what is going on outside the classroom and excessive noise is distracting.

**Classrooms:** Students are not to be in any classroom at any time without a teacher present.

**Be Kind:** Please be kind to all fellow parents and students. We are all here for the same reasons, our children and a great dance experience.

**Time Between Classes:** The premises of SDC outside of the classroom studios are not supervised. Students under the age of 7 may not be left unattended by a parent/guardian at any time before, after, or between classes. You are responsible for arriving on time for drop-off and pick-up, for coming into the studio for drop-off and pick-up, and for instructing your student that they may not leave the SDC building without you. Students left over five minutes past class end time will be charged a late pick-up fee of \$1 per minute. If a student is 7 or older and is participating in multiple classes on the same day, the student may remain on the premises of SDC unattended by a parent/guardian between classes provided that the student abides by the Waiting Room & Lobby Guidelines and Homework & Quiet Hallway Rules.

## Homework & Quiet Hallway Rules

1. Quiet: This is a quiet area for study. Please respect those focusing on their work.
2. Proper: Do not sit or stand on the study counters or furniture. No Horseplay
3. Neat: Please pick up after yourself.
4. Food & Drink: This is the only room that food and drink are allowed in. We encourage healthy snacks and require that all drinks be clear liquids (water, clear Gatorade, etc.) In the event of a spill please advise the front office so we can clean up the mess as soon as possible. No food or drinks, besides water bottles, are allowed in any studio at any time. No one is to bring food products containing nuts of any kind onto the premises of Showcase Dance Centre. SDC cannot, however, guarantee that its premises will be free from allergens of any kind, including but not limited to food containing nuts.
5. Consequences: You get 1 warning and then you cannot stay at the studio without a parent/guardian for two (2) weeks.

## Dates to Remember

Dates	Importance
1st of each month	Tuition (calculated by # of hours)
August 12, 2019	2019-2020 Season begins
Monday, September 2	CLOSED for Labor Day
October 15th	Costume Deposit(s) due [Recital \$85.00/class, Competition \$90/Costume]
Thursday, October 31	CLOSED Starting at 5:00pm for Halloween
November 20th - November 24th	CLOSED for Thanksgiving Break
December 23rd - January 5th	CLOSED for Winter Break
January 15th	Recital Fee due
Monday, January 21st	CLOSED for MLK day
March 15th	Competition costume balance due
April 11th - April 17th	CLOSED for Spring Break
Saturday, May 23rd	Mint Hill Madness Parade
Monday, May 27th	CLOSED for Memorial day
Friday, June 12th	Dress Rehearsal 5:30pm at Hickory Ridge High School
Saturday, June 13th	Recital 1:00pm at Hickory Ridge High School

## Schedule Changes Withdrawals:

Any student wishing to withdraw from any class must provide Showcase Dance Centre with a 30-day written notice of withdrawal. A student simply not showing up for class does not establish a withdrawal. You will be billed until written notice is provided.

## Competition Company & Private Lessons

SDC's competition company is an amazing group of students, ages 5 and up, who are passionate about dance and performing! SDC competition members take Jazz, Ballet/Pointe, Tap, Lyrical, Technique and Hip-Hop classes at Showcase Dance Centre and participate at Regional dance competitions along with a National finals competition during the summer. SDC competition dancers attend regional workshops, receive training from world renowned teachers, and have an overall extremely good time! All students are encouraged to audition for company classes. Please ask for additional information.

Private Lessons: Showcase Dance Centre offers private lessons. Please contact studio for prices and availability. Competition students taking private lessons for Solos and Duet/Trios are required to take Advanced Stretch

## First Week of Dance Reminders and Tips

The studio can be very crowded the first few weeks while everyone gets used to their new classes.

Please have all dancers use the restroom before class time, this will cut down on disruptions during class time. Potty breaks are contagious.

Combo classes will need their ballet shoes on when entering classes, place all other dance shoes in their dance bag to send in with them. The teachers will help each student change shoes. Please place names on all items and on the inside of each shoe.

Dancers can have apprehension the first few weeks. This is common, keep reminding your dancer that they are going to have fun. Leave as quickly as possible, and watch from the window, however they can see you through the window and sometimes out of sight out of mind is the best for getting used to the environment.

Please keep noise down outside the classrooms and don't let siblings open the doors or bang on the windows. This distracts the dancers.

If you have questions or concerns, please stop by the office at any time. We would like for your experience to be the best possible experience for you and your dancer!

**Class Shoes, Attire & Recital Shoes & Attire:** I understand that appropriate dance shoes and dance attire are very important to the proper development of a dancer. Below you can find the correct style, color and brand of shoes along with what appropriate dance attire is required and is listed in the studio information.

*Please purchase shoes and dance attire at the listed retailers listed below:*



• WWW.DISCOUNTDANCE.COM

Drop down menu top left select Students/Find a Studio, Enter in Zip code: 28227 or Studio code: 33110, Click on Jennifer Schillo/Showcase Dance Centre Select Your Class; here it will list class requirements such as shoes, leotard, etc.

• LEBO'S (in town) 7300 E. Independence Blvd. Charlotte, NC (704) 538-5000

• MORRIS COSTUMES (in town) 4300 Monroe Road, Charlotte, NC (704) 333-4653

### 3-4 yr. old Combo Class

**BALLET:** Capezio #205C Daisy Full sole Leather Ballet (Ballet Pink) or Barbette 211 & **TAP:** Capezio 3800C Mary Jane Tap (Caramel) **Attire:** Any color leotard & Tights. Optional: Skirt No Jewelry other than small earrings. **Hair** must be secured back away from face (ponytail/bun)

### 5-6 yr. old Ballet/Tap Combo Class

**BALLET:** Capezio #205C Daisy Full sole Leather Ballet (Ballet Pink) or Barbette 211& **TAP:** Capezio 3800C Mary Jane Tap (Caramel) **Attire:** Any color leotard & Tights. Optional: Skirt No Jewelry other than small earrings. **Hair** must be secured back away from face (ponytail/bun)

### 5-6 yr. old Jazz or Pom/Jazz

**Bloch SO41 Super Jazz (Tan) Attire:** same as '5-6 yr. old Ballet/tap Combo Class

### 7-10 yr. old Classes

**BALLET:** Capezio #2033C/2033 Capezio Leather Cobra or similar (Lt. Pink) **TAP:** Capezio #CG17C/CG17 Fluid Tap (Black) **JAZZ:** Bloch SO41 Super Jazz (Tan) **Attire:** Any color leotard & Tights. Optional: Skirt/Boy cut short No Jewelry other than small earrings. **Hair** must be secured back away from face (ponytail/bun) **Teen Classes**

### LYRICAL/CONTEMPORARY & JAZZ:

Body Wrappers #621A Twyla II (Jazzy Tan) **TAP:** Capezio #CG17C/CG17 Fluid Tap (Black) **Attire:** Any color leotard, tights, tank tops, dance shorts, leggings No Jewelry other than small earrings. **Hair** must be secured back away from face (ponytail/bun)

### Advanced Ballet I, II & III & Pointe Classes

Capezio #2033C/2033 Capezio Leather Cobra or similar (Lt. Pink) **Attire:** Leotard (Black ONLY) & Tights. **Optional:** Skirt/Boy cut short (Black ONLY) **Hair** must be in bun, no flyaways

### Hip Hop Classes

Converse low-top sneakers (Black) Please use these shoes only for class. **Attire:** T-shirt & shorts that allow movement (NO jeans) No Jewelry other than small earrings. **Hair** must be secured back away from face (ponytail/bun)

### Acrobatic Classes

**SHOES:** NO shoes **Attire:** Any color leotard & Stirrup or Convertible tights. **Optional:** Boy cut short No Jewelry other than small earrings. **Hair** must be secured back away from face (ponytail/bun)

### BOYS

**BALLET:** Barbette 208 Full Sole Leather Ballet or similar (Black), **TAP:** Capezio #CG17C/CG17 Fluid Tap or similar (Black), **JAZZ:** Capezio EJ2C Jazz Slip On or similar (Black) **Attire:** T-shirt & shorts that allow movement (NO jeans)

### Competition Students

For Jazz/Lyrical class: "Turning Point 55" Pirouette shoes, Required Competition Shoes: List will be provided at later date, **Attire:** Fitted dancewear/leotard and tights No Jewelry other than small earrings. **Hair** must be secured back away from face (ponytail/bun).