

Hello and Welcome to Workshops In Dance Performance Arts Dance Studio!

We are thrilled you are registering for dance lessons at WID!

Workshops In Dance offers dance for all ages and abilities, from Dancin' Babies ~ Mommy and Me Classes to Adult classes! Below we have all the information you need to register and start dancing! Whether you are a Rising Star, a Dance Company Star or a Competitive Dance Star, everyone at Workshops In Dance is a STAR!

Registration:

Please take a moment to read all the information posted on this page so you are aware of what will be expected of you and your child during the school year. For Dancin' Baby Workshop parents, go to the "Class Schedule" tab and your information packet and registration form are at the bottom of the page.

To register, you will need to print out the registration form, tuition form and policy agreement. Go to the class schedule tab. The document links are available at the bottom of the page to download. Please fill out the registration form completely and sign, sign the tuition, form, and policy and procedures form, (if the forms are not signed you are not registered). Enclose your check payable to Workshops In Dance. Your canceled check is your receipt. All registration forms must be completed and tuition payment received, before any student begins class. We cannot guarantee your dancers' spot in class until registration and payment are received.

Mail tuition payments to: Workshops In Dance, Gaslight Village Shopping Center, Suite 9, 85 Makefield Road, Yardley PA 19067.

To drop the registration form and payment off in person, see class schedule for studio hours or if the studio is closed, feel free to drop your registration and payment off in the studio mail box. Please enclose payment and registration form in a white envelope.

Payment options are:

Annual (1 payment) due September 1st

Semi Annual (2 payments) due 9/1 and 1/1st.

Three payments (3) due 9/1, 11/1 and 1/15.

Quarterly (4 payments) due 9/1, 11/1, 1/1, 3/1.

Six (6) payments, due 9/1, 10/1, 11/1, 12/1, 1/1, 2/1.

WID offers a family discount for multiple classes or multiple students in your family, \$19.00 for one class and \$14.00 for the second class.

Tuition is due the 1st of the month. A \$25.00 fee will be charged to your account if payment is received late. WID does NOT send invoices unless past due. Please make note of your payment due dates and if mailing your tuition payment, please allow five mailing days. To pay cash, please come in person before the 1st of the month. Check class schedule for studio hours. Receipt of cash payment will be provided by the dance instructor. WID does not accept credit cards. A \$30.00 return check fee will be added onto all insufficient fund checks. Students cannot attend classes if accounts are 30 days past due. Under no circumstances is tuition refundable or transferable.

An annual non-refundable registration fee is due upon enrollment of \$30.00 per student (\$25.00 for second child and \$20.00 for third). A \$50.00 non refundable costume deposit per class is due upon enrollment. Remaining costume balances are billed in February. By registering your dancer, you have agreed to pay for the entire dance season/school year, (September to June) and are responsible for all payments regardless of attendance. Tuition is a flat rate, and there are no deductions for missed classes, (absenteeism, vacation, or holidays). See studio calendar on website, for holiday closings during the school year! See Policies, Dress Code, Studio Rules etc., below.

Mission Statement:

Workshops In Dance Performance Arts Dance Studio offers the dancer:

- *Dance technique in all dance genres.
- *Enhances dance skills and develops each dancer to their fullest potential.
- *Enriches the dancer by introducing the beauty of movement and the artistic pleasures of the dance arts.

Workshops In Dance Performance Arts Dance Studio provides:

- * Award winning dance choreography.
- * 26 years in business, 14 years in Competitive Dance.
- * A Performance Dance Company and Competitive Dance.
- * Passionate and professional dance instructors.
- * A positive and caring environment.
- * Dance lessons from 18 months to adult.
- * 10:1 student/teacher ratio in classes
- * A fun and educational atmosphere.

Benefits of Dance:

***Fun** - Dancers are surrounded by artistic-cheerful people who are passionate and talented in their expertise. In class, friendships are formed and dancer's goals and aspirations of movement are fulfilled.

***Confidence** - Dance classes provide concentration, determination and discipline. Dance training builds self esteem and the dance student will develop self confidence.

***Creativity** - Dance provides an emotional outlet in which a dancer can truly reflect his or her feelings through body movement.

***Health** - Dancing helps your circulatory systems, encourages weight management and overall fitness. The constant movement and muscle extension in dance class provides a pleasing yet mild exercise that all ages can benefit and enjoy!

Policies:

The 2017-2018 class schedule is subject to changes. WID reserves the right to cancel any class if the day/time of a particular class is not in demand or for any other reasons.

Ages listed on the class schedule are approximations. Students are placed in the class suited to their ability.

Pre-teen dancers who would like to study "pointe" must have permission from the ballet instructor and have had extensive training in ballet technique.

Most dance classes are either 45 minutes or 55 minutes, please check your child's class times and when they end.

Drop off is five minutes prior to class. Please be on time for pickup and come into the dance studio to pick your child up. For the safety of your children, we request that WID students do not wait outside the building for pick up, nor weave through the parking lot to your car.

If you are running late, as a courtesy, contact the Director via email including if your child is going to be absent.

Please inform your child too that WID requests that they wait in the dance studio if you are running late and not in the reception area.

Please wait until the music has stopped before knocking on the door. Classes run back to back, so please make every effort to be on time and punctual for WID instructors.

Doors to the dance studio will be closed during class, providing the best possible environment for dancers to thrive, by eliminating distractions. Parents are welcome to stay in the reception area during class. Parents please remove your shoes, whenever stepping into the dance studio to use the bathroom facility.

Attendance:

Attendance is taken at each class. As a courtesy, email the Artistic Director if your child is going to be absent.

No refunds/credits will be provided if a dancer is unable to attend their normal dance class. You are welcome to attend a different dance class, as a makeup, if available. Please contact the Artistic Director, if attending a different class. However, please note that this is a good will gesture, and under no circumstances is WID obligated to provide makeup classes.

Attendance DOES affect participation in the recital. If absences for a student are in excess leading up to the recital, every teacher reserves the right to ask the dancer to not participate. In this instance, you will not be refunded tuition or costume money.

Tardiness:

Tardiness is not only discourteous, it interrupts practice and most often lessens the dancers warm up time. We ask parents to make every effort to bring their children to classes on time. Being late to dance class is disrespectful to the teacher and your fellow dance students. As a rule of thumb, arrive 5 to 10 minutes early to allow yourself plenty of time to get ready.

Pre-School Dance: Students enrolling must be age 3 and potty trained. They must be able to be in class on their own without a parent. We highly recommend the Dancin Baby - Mommy and Me class workshops until they reach the point that they can do class independently without the parent. Please no jewelry in class. Hair in low bun and please follow the studio dress code for all classes.

Recital

In June, WID features the dancers in our Annual Showcase of Students Dance Recital! Exact Dates/Times/Location will be announced in November. Even though the recital is not mandatory, it is strongly encouraged and recommended. If you do not wish to participate in the recital, written notice must be given to us by October 31, 2017.

If you join WID past the costume order date of November 1st, we cannot guarantee a costume for the recital or eligibility for participation. We will handle this on a case-by-case basis since there are many factors.

Dress Code:

Proper dance attire is required for all classes. This is to not only benefit the movement of the dancer and their safety, but also to help better assist the teacher in giving corrections and maintaining uniformity within the studio. If students are not in compliance with dress code, the parent will be notified. Street clothes, dresses, jeans, sweat pants, shorts and skirts are unacceptable, dance wear only. Hair is to be secured up and away from the face in every class.

Parents, dance shoes need to be fitted properly. Do not buy shoes too large for the student. Shoes too large prohibits the dancer from dancing, especially tap shoes. Ballet shoes should be fitted close to the foot, for safety and flexibility.

Dance tights are required in all dance classes with the exception of acro dance, musical theater and break dancing class.

Dance tights help keep the muscles warm and protect the dancers legs from abrasions.

Do not send your child to class in a leotard only, without dance tights. The studio is air conditioned, no excuses because of warm weather.

Put your child's initials inside all their dance shoes with a permanent marker.

Workshops in Dance - Pink Slipper is happy to assist you if we have shoes in stock, if not, visit Arena Dance Shop, Lawrenceville, New Jersey. See slide show below of required dance shoes/dance wear.

Pre-School Classes and Saturday 11:30 a.m. class: Pink tights, Pink leotard, Pink dance skirt optional, black patent leather tap shoes with ribbon ties, no buckle shoes for pre-schoolers. Tap shoes must be shiny black patent leather shoes. Full sole pink **leather** ballet slippers, must be leather. Dance bag required.

Acro-Dance Intermediate/Advanced: leotard, biketard or unitard permitted. Jazz Ankle Boots caramel, dance bag required.

Acro Dance Beginner: Black leotard, white capri tights, caramel jazz ankle boots, dance bag required.

Boys Break Dancing Hip Hop Class: Hip Hop Sneakers Black, long sweat pants and t shirt, no shorts.

Advanced Ballet/Contemporary/Lyrical Classes: Split sole canvas ballet slipper with criss cross elastic bands, Pink tights, Black Leotard any style, dance skirt optional, dance sweater optional, leg warmers optional. Dance bag required.

Thursday, 5:30 p.m. Ballet/Tap class: Pink tights, Black leotard, dance skirt optional, leg warmers optional, dance sweater optional, full sole pink ballet slippers, black patent leather tap shoes with ties and dance bag.

Musical Theater Class. Black leotard, Pink tights, dance skirt optional or Black ankle length cotton leggings and WID t shirt,

***New: black jazz boot tap shoe (slip on) and caramel jazz boot slip on.**

Pointe Shoes: Dancers must be professionally fitted at Dance Line in Paoli. Call to make your appointment and coordinate with the WID ballet instructor for the first fitting. Some pointe shoes are replaced every six months, depending on the brand, some are replaced even sooner.

Mommy and Me Dancin Baby Class: see Dancin Baby Handout on line for dress code.

Tuesday, Ballet Class, pink tights, black leotard, dance skirt optional, leg warmers optional, tie dance sweater optional, **New:canvas split sole ballet slippers, elastic straps criss cross in front.** If wearing a black Unitard or biketard, student must wear pink tights underneath. Dance bag required.

Tuesday, Hip Hop Class, black ankle length cotton leggings and WID t-shirt, and caramel jazz ankle boots.

Or wear black dance shorts over pink tights and leotard. Unitard and biketard must have pink tights worn underneath.

Dance bag required.

Illness/Injury

Although injuries can occur in the life of a dancer, W.I.D. takes injuries very seriously and has policies in place to protect you as a dancer. If you are injured, a doctor's note is required in order for you to continue dancing. Dancers are encouraged to sit in on class, if possible. Before dancers are able to resume participation, W.I.D. needs clearance from your family doctor that your child is physically able to return to dance.

Technology

Cell phones and tablets are not permitted during class, they should be on silent and stored with your belongings. If you must have your cell phone on during class for emergencies, please notify the instructor and he/she will keep it with them for the duration of class time. If students need to be warned more than 3 times regarding cell phone or tablet usage, the director will notify the parents.

INCLEMENT WEATHER CLOSINGS

In the event of inclement weather, often WID will follow Pennsbury School District. In some cases, we will make our own judgment call. Check our web site, a notice will be posted on our home page informing WID families if classes are canceled.

Studio Rules:

- 1. Appropriate dance attire is required of all WID dance students. See WID Dress Code.**
- 2. Hair worn in low bun for all dance classes.**
- 3. No jewelry**
- 4. No talking during class.**
- 5. Do not be tardy for class.**
- 6. No chewing gum.**
- 7. Please use the bathroom before class begins.**
- 8. No hanging on ballet barres or pressing against mirrors, no running in dance class.**
- 9. Students must request the instructor's permission before leaving the classroom.**
- 10. Keep hands to yourself. Be kind, be considerate and respectful to all your classmates.**
- 11. No food or drink in dance studio or front waiting area (except staff). Water only for dancers.**

- 12. Parents, please supervise siblings at all times while in the studio and outside.**
- 13. Please do not enter the studio when dance classes are in session. Knock first, and await the instructor's response.**
- 14. No videotaping or photographs permitted in class. No cell phones in class.**
- 15. Photographs of WID students are sometimes used for public relations purposes, in press releases, posters, fliers, WID web site, WID FaceBook page, etc. If you do not want your child's photo used for these purposes, please notify us in writing and submit with the registration form.**
- 16. The Artistic Director reserves the right to dismiss any student who is disruptive in class or chronically absent.**
- 17. Be respectful to your teachers. They have dedicated their lives to this art form and are willing to impart their wisdom, so show them the respect they deserve by not talking during class, listening to their critiques and instruction and showing up to class on time.**
- 18. Leave valuables at home. Workshops In Dance is not responsible for lost or stolen items.**
- 19. There are no refunds or make-up classes scheduled for snow days. WID families wishing to make-up a snow day may arrange to do so in a comparable class, if available.**
- 20. There are no deductions from tuition payments for missed classes. There is no pro-rating of dance tuition for anticipated absences.**
- 21. Email the Artistic Director if your child is going to be absent. WIDDirector@aol.com.**
- 22. Check the WID Studio Calendar periodically throughout the school year for updates: Local Dance Performances, Competition Dates, Photography Day, Rehearsal/Recital.**

Violations of the above rules may result in verbal correction by the instructor, discussion with the student's parent(s) or having the student sit out for part of the dance class, as the situation requires.

Please check our website throughout the year. We post all pertinent information on here. As new information is posted, you will be informed via email to check the web site. Thank you!