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INSPIRE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER 2020-2021 HANDBOOK

Tuition

Tuition is based on the dance season regardless of how many weeks are in a given month. **Tuition is due on the 1st of each month from September-May.** A **Recital Fee**, which equals a **half month's tuition** is due along with your May tuition payment. This serves as a recital fee to help pay for the instructor's time and use of our recital facility. All payments in the form of cash or check can be deposited in the drop box in the lobby of our studio. Credit card payments will be made online starting this September using our Parent Portal, which is found on our website: www.inspirepacohio.com. If tuition has not been paid by the 10th of the month, a **\$10 late fee will automatically be applied to your account.** There is a **non-refundable** registration fee due for EACH student enrolling in our 2020-2021 dance year. Registration is \$20 for the first child and \$10 for each additional child.

If your dancer is withdrawing from a class, please notify IPAC immediately **via studio email: inspirepac.oh@gmail.com.** Without notification, fees and tuition will continue to be added to your account, for which you will be held responsible. After 30 days, IPAC holds the right to send outstanding fees to collections.

Below are the 2020-2021 tuition rates. To determine tuition, calculate the number of hours your family is in class per week and find the corresponding amount on the table below. The overall rate for group classes decreases as the number of class hours increases. This provides a built-in multiple class discount.

Hours	:00	:15	:30	:45
0			\$34	\$40
1	\$47	\$56	\$64	\$71
2	\$78	\$84	\$90	\$96
3	\$103	\$109	\$115	\$121
4	\$127	\$131	\$135	\$138
5	\$142	\$146	\$150	\$154
6	\$157	\$159	\$162	\$164
7	\$167	\$169	\$171	\$173
8+	\$175			

The maximum payment per student is \$175 per month for unlimited classes (8 hrs. or more). For a Family Unlimited Package (2 or more dancers in the same immediate family), there will be an additional \$25 due per child. For Example: A family with three children is enrolled in 10 hours of class a week each month. They will pay \$175 for the first Unlimited Package, and an additional \$25 for the next child resulting in a monthly tuition rate of \$200, two children would be \$225 per month.

Costumes

Dancer's instructor will choose a costume they are to wear for the recital and show it to the parents and students. Children will be measured during class and costumes will be ordered. Closer to recital time additional instructions regarding tights, shoes, hair, and make up will be at the studio and posted on our website. If you have any questions regarding this, feel free to reach out to your child's instructor.

A costume deposit of **\$35.00 per student** is due by **November 1, 2021.** **All costumes are to be paid in full by March 1, 2021.** If your costume is not paid in full by that date, your child will not be able to participate in their routine. *If your dancer is not participating in the recital, you are responsible for letting the studio know **via studio email no later than November 1, 2021,** otherwise, a costume will be ordered for you and you will be held financially responsible.*

Dress Code

Dress code will vary from class to class depending on the style of dance. In general, **all students must have their hair pulled back off of the face for every class**. Minimal jewelry is allowed, and the instructor has the right to ask that certain pieces be removed should they be deemed a safety hazard or distraction. Dress code will be strictly enforced, as it is imperative for proper instruction and safety. If a dancer is not following dress code, your teacher will send home a written warning specifying the infraction. Please see below for details on each class' dress code.

Ballet & Pointe: Leotard, pink tights, ballet shoes. Optional: Form fitting shorts, ballet skirt, leg warmers. No baggy clothes will be permitted in ballet class. Bodylines must be visible to ensure our teachers are able to accurately assess technique and give students the best instruction possible.

Jazz, Tap, Lyrical, Contemporary: Form fitting dance apparel such as a leotard, sports bra, tights, dance skirts, form fitting shorts, and yoga pants are permitted. Shoe requirements vary and will be issued by your instructor the first week of class.

Hip Hop: Loose clothing that allows the dancer to move, clean tennis shoes. All Hip Hop dancers must wear attire over their knees to avoid injury (pants, tights, etc).

Acrobatics & Acro/Cheer: Leotard or fitted tank top, shorts or leggings. Optional: Tights

Studio Break - No Classes Held These Dates

- 1) Thanksgiving: Thursday, November 26th and Saturday, November 28th
- 2) Christmas: December 23rd, 24th, 26th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st and January 2nd
- 3) Memorial Day: Monday, May 31st

ZOOM Watch Weeks

Watch Weeks will be a little different this year due to COVID. They will be held during the months of November, January and March via ZOOM. This will allow you the opportunity to see your child's growth. We will post each class's viewing schedule in the Parent Portal at a later date, which is available on our website.

Safety Issues

We will continue to follow all state mandates regarding COVID including taking temps of all students upon arrival and having each sanitize their hands. All teachers will continue to wear face masks; students are optional. We have 6 foot "safety squares" taped off on the floor in each classroom in order for each dancer to observe social distancing. Parents are asked to remain outside during classes unless they have a Mini Mover that needs assistance getting to class. We ask that you drop them off quickly to minimize the number of people in the studio. Studio equipment and floors will be cleaned between every class. We thank you for your understanding during these unprecedented times. We will notify you via email if these routines change during the dance season.

Attendance

Please make every effort for your child to attend your weekly class. Attendance is imperative to your dancer's learning, but also the progress of the class and routine as a whole. If your child does need to miss a class, **please let the instructor or office know as soon as possible via email**. There will be no refunds given for a missed class, however, your dancer will be allowed to take another class on their level **within the month that the absence occurred**.

For Example: Sally missed her Jazz II class October 5th. She can come to any Level II class (Ballet II, Hip Hop II, Tap II, Lyrical II, etc), through November 5th.

Social Media

Please be aware that some students have not agreed to be photographed and, therefore, any videos taken at the studio should not be shared via social media unless given permission by the parent of the child.

Class Placement

All new students to IPAC will be subject to review and level placement. We will place you in the class that best fits your current age and skill level. We may have your dancer try multiple level classes before deciding the appropriate level. Current students will continually be evaluated by the IPAC staff and will be advanced into higher-level classes as appropriate.

Pointe Classes

Perspective pointe dancers must be evaluated and approved by the IPAC staff. The perspective dancer must be at least 10 years old and have prior ballet training. Pointe dancers are required to take a minimum of one ballet class per week in addition to their pointe class. Please be aware that the IPAC staff has the right to remove any dancer from dancing on pointe if there is an issue of safety for the dancer.

Private Lessons

Private lessons are available to students ages 5 and above in all styles of dance upon request and are based on instructor availability. Each private lesson will be 45 minutes in duration with a fee of \$35 to be paid to the office prior to the start of the lesson. Parents are not permitted in the studio **unless invited by the instructor**.

Behavioral Policy

Our goal is to provide a high quality education in the art of dance by offering a positive, student-centered environment. In order for this to be achieved, it is imperative that our students maintain appropriate behavior in and out of our dance classrooms. IPAC has a zero tolerance bullying policy and will reprimand any behavior that is disruptive or disrespectful to other students, the instructors or the class as a whole. We have a three-strike bullying policy by which both parents and students are held to. The first strike will result in a verbal warning, the second strike a written warning, and on the third strike a family may be dismissed from the studio.

Our instructors are here to help and want to keep the lines of communication open. Feel free to reach out to your child's instructor with any questions or concerns so that we can keep IPAC a positive and productive environment! We are very open to constructive feedback and can use it as an opportunity for growth!

2020-2021 IPAC Dance Recital

Our tentative recital dates are Friday, June 4th and Saturday, June 5th. There will be dress rehearsals in the evenings the week prior. **Almost all students perform in the recital, but if your dancer will not be performing in the recital, please let the office know immediately via email**. Additional recital details will be made available closer to the time of the performance.

*Thank you so much for choosing **INSPIRE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER**
for your child's dance education!*