

Next Generation Dance Competition Guidelines

Welcome to the 2008-2009 competition season. We are looking forward to a fun and productive year. Below is a list of items that you will need to be aware of throughout the year.

1. **Attendance:** All line moms will be keeping a record of who has attended each class. Each student is responsible to contact their line mom if they are unable to attend class. The line mom will let the instructor know the circumstances. Any student that misses more than three classes and does not make them up will not be able to compete. You will be charged for make up classes. It is mandatory to be at class the week you go to competitions, unless you have a mandatory school activity. This rule will be enforced.
2. **Birth Certificate:** This applies to new students and is mandatory.
3. **Ballet:** Ballet class for competition dancers is mandatory. Hair is to be pulled back in a competition style bun. Dancers not taking the required amount of ballet will not be allowed to compete.
4. **Dance Attire:** Leotard, tights, no shorts. No jewelry, post earrings are acceptable. Check with your tap and acro instructor, they may allow shorts over a leotard.
5. **Dance Class:** Parents are not allowed in the classroom during class time. If you have any questions please see your line mom. She will instruct you of your proper shoes, hairstyle, etc. for competition once the teacher has determined what is appropriate for your line. Students are expected to give 100% in class or they will be asked to leave.
6. **Competition Etiquette:** All dancers must be fully dressed with make up and ready to go on stage two hours before competition. These are the rules of dance competitions; if we are not ready they have the right to disqualify us. Dancers should be back stage four numbers before they perform. Please be part of the team effort; let's show respect for other dancers and instructors. Check in with your line moms periodically, communication is vital to the competitions running smoothly. If there is an emergency and you can't get to the competition please contact an instructor or a team mate who will relay the message. Dancers are required to stay for awards and must be in warm up suits.
7. **Extra Rehearsal:** Periodically a competition line will have extra rehearsal. Short notice rehearsals do occur. If a dancer can't attend an extra rehearsal, promptly inform the instructor. If your dancer has extra rehearsals you will be charged at the end of the month for the class.
8. **Summer Rehearsals:** Dancers must attend summer classes to prepare for nationals. There will be a \$50.00 penalty fee for absent dancers.

By signing this agreement I hereby accept and agree to the terms listed above.

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