DanceCo Ltd

St. Albert & Edmonton

October 10th - Classes Cancelled

Settling In

We hope everyone has adjusted to his or her classes and teachers by this point. We realize the first few weeks can be quite a transitional period and we certainly appreciate your patience while we ensure all our dancers are in their appropriate classes.

Tips for a FABULOUS year!

Talk to us – our goal at DanceCo is to ensure that each of our dancers enjoys their dance classes while at the same time learning and experiencing new dance techniques – no matter what their age or level. If at any time, you feel that we are not succeeding in these areas with your dancer, please do not hesitate to come and speak with us. We welcome all comments and feedback.

Stay Informed – our primary method of communication is by email. We will also post information on our website and the bulletin board.

Get to know your child's teacher – it allows for easier communication and provides great insight for the teacher to relate to your dancer and for you to stay in touch with your child's progress.

Be prompt and prepared - be on time for class, dressed in appropriate dancewear and footwear, with hair pulled back off the face.

Display good sportsmanship – at DanceCo we believe that EVERYONE should have the opportunity to dance. We DO NOT condone parents and/or dancers speaking negatively about other dancers and their ability levels. We encourage everyone to have a positive attitude about all dancers as we feel that respecting other dancers and learning to be a good team player are as important as learning new dance steps.

8-Week Classes & Registration

We have a variety of 8 week classes commencing this month as well as limited availability in a few of our full year programs. For more info on any of the above, please speak with our receptionist, or email us at danceco3@hotmail.com.



Studio Policies

Studio Doors open <u>15 minutes</u> prior to the start of class each day. Please do not drop your dancers off any earlier as our teachers and administrative staff require time to prepare. Please also ensure that dancers are picked up in a timely manner when their class is over.

No <u>peanut products</u> in the studio as many of our dancers have severe allergies.

No <u>pets</u> in the studio as many of our dancers have severe allergies.

No <u>bullying</u> at anytime, anywhere within our studio, or outside our studio.

Please <u>don't leave valuables</u> (cell phones, ipods, cash, etc.) in the change room – leave them at home, or keep them in a small dance bag that you can take into the studio until class is over.

Inform teachers and receptionists of any health issues
amd/or learning challenges your dancer may have – it is very important that we are aware of any health conditions so that we can take the necessary measures if required. It is also very helpful to the teachers if they are aware of any particular learning challenges that the dancer may struggle with. This will assist them in determining the best teaching methods for your dancer, so your dancer can get the most out of each class.

Please use the boot racks and also ensure that you **take your own boots/shoes/jackets when leaving the studio**. Many of our DanceCo customers have the same styles and often inadvertently end up wearing someone else's home.

Please **refrain from parking OR stopping in the <u>fire lane</u>** in front of our St. Albert studio. Please find parking in the parking lot, and if your dancer is too young to come to your vehicle in the parking lot, come inside the studio and meet them.

Dance Workshops

If your dancer is interested in attending dance workshops offered outside of their weekly classes, please check our bulletin boards for additional information.

Upcoming Workshops Include:

iDance November 5 & 6 – Delta Edmonton South Groove Street November 19 & 20 - Shaw Conference Center

** If you are interested in enrolling, please see our receptionist for more info **

DanceCo Jackets

We have had quite a few order requests for our DanceCo team jackets. As we have had our previous style for 3 years, we will be switching it up for the 2016-2017 season. Once we have finalized pricing, styles etc, we will email out the information.

Customer Appreciation

We are very appreciative that each of you are a part of our DanceCo Family. We would like to give back a little by having a "Thank You!" Draw each month. We will have a box at the reception desk for ballots. The draw is open to everyone at DanceCo, but we would ask that parents complete the ballots (rather than children) and that only one ballot per family is entered each month in order to keep it fair for everyone. Each month we will draw for two tickets to a different Arts related event. The only "rules" would be that a family cannot win more than once in a season, and we would request that the winning family take their dancer to the event as we would love to have our dancers receive more exposure to the Arts. If you have any questions, let us know. And again – THANK YOU!!! for all your support.

Thank-you!

We have had the opportunity for some amazing choreographers to set pieces for our Pro Team students over the past month. A HUGE thank-you to Alex Chung, Sarah Dolan and Joey Matt for coming to DanceCo and working with our students. We can't wait to see their numbers hit the stage!

Solos - Duets - Trios

Forms will be available at the front reception desk as of Friday, October 7th. Please speak to your teacher or our receptionist if you have any questions.

*If you have a dancer in the competitive program and have already submitted your solo info this summer, you do NOT need to complete these forms. The deadline is October 29th, 2016

What DanceCo Offers

A Consignment Shop (St. Albert location only) - buy or consign second hand dancewear and shoes at a great price.

Birthday Party Packages - we offer birthday parties that include a dance instructor and party area all for a GREAT price.

Christmas Gift Ideas - a variety of DanceCo items will be for sale in the very near future, at both locations.

Mini Concession – drinks and snacks – these items are all available to purchase at our reception desk.

Please see our receptionist for detailed info on any of the above

Extra Notes

Tap Shoes – if your child has laces in their tap shoes, we highly recommend replacing them with elastic. This will make it easier for them to take the shoes on and off, and it will also eliminate the laces coming undone, and the dancer tripping on them.

Water Bottles – we encourage all dancers to bring a water bottle with them to dance class as staying hydrated is very important. Please note that each Saturday, we will be discarding all lost and found water bottles remaining at the studio.

Watch Week

Our Watch Week provides an excellent opportunity for parents to view their child's class from inside the studio. We are working on finalizing the schedule and should be emailing it out shortly.



Congratulations

Congratulations to all of our DanceCo dancers who successfully auditioned for our 2016-2017 Performing Company. They will be performing at various venues throughout the year before they head to Disneyland in Summer 2017. Come see their first performance at The Festival of Trees!!!



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