

We're a small studio with family values that carry into all our classes. Our dynamic staff is passionate about sharing our love of dance with each student. At Debut, you can discover dance or continue to grow technically and competitively. Our studio offers a variety of classes and commitment levels. Every dancer matters at Debut! Please take a moment to read through this packet and direct any questions you may have to Ms. Megan at megan@debutdancestudio.com

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In order to ensure we have a fun and successful year, please be sure to check your email for studio announcements and updates. Every other Friday we blast out bimonthly announcements and pictures via our "Friday Flash" electronic newsletter. If you notice you are NOT receiving any studio emails or the Friday Flash, it's crucial for you to stop by the front desk and make sure all your contact information is correct and updated! It is our goal at Debut to be completely transparent with our families so that there are no financial or scheduling surprises popping up throughout the school year.

Classes get underway on **Monday, September 18th.** The deadline for class changes, including drops, is November 1st. To make a change, please contact Ms. Megan or Ms. Diane. Schedule changes or dropping a class CANNOT be done through your online account. All class changes or drops must be done by the office staff, no later than November 1st. Any other general questions or concerns may be addressed with Ms. Megan and all financial-related questions should be forwarded to Ms. Diane.

Studio Information

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Important Dates

September 18th- FIRST DAY OF DANCE CLASS October 31st- NO CLASSES- Halloween November 1st- FIRST COSTUME PAYMENT/LAST DAY TO DROP A CLASS November 20th-24th- NO CLASSES- Fall Break November 27th- CLASSES RESUME December 25th-January 7th- NO CLASSES- Winter Break January 8th- CLASSES RESUME February 1st- SECOND COSTUME PAYMENT (if you have more than one costume) March 11th-17th- NO CLASSES- Spring Break March 18th- CLASSES RESUME May 6th-9th- IN STUDIO DRESS REHEARSAL AND RECITAL PICTURES May 20th-23rd- LAST WEEK OF CLASS May 25th-26th- 16th ANNUAL DEBUT DANCE RECITAL (tenta<u>tive date)</u>

Payment Schedules

1. Annual Non-Refundable Registration Fee- \$30 (\$45 for a Family) plus tax Due at Registration along with your 1st Month of Tuition.

2. Dance Tuition- Automatically withdrawn on the 15th of each month October-May

3. Non-Refundable Costume Payment- Costume \$75 (plus tax)

First Costume Payment Nov. 1 (automatically withdrawn) Second Costume Payment Feb. 1 (automatically withdrawn)



placies & Procedures

1.) **ANNUAL FALL REGISTRATION FEE:** An annual non-refundable fall registration fee of \$30 per dancer or \$45 per family (plus tax) is due at the time of registration and should be paid online.

2.) **TUITION PAYMENT:** Class tuition is paid through auto debit around the 15th of every month. All auto debit forms must be turned into the front desk by your first class. Insufficient funds will result in a penalty of \$15.00. Families may also pay for a semester or full year.

3.) **RECITAL COSTUMES & TICKETS:** Plan to budget \$75.00 (plus tax) per dance class for recital costumes along with \$10 for recital tights. Recital costumes and tights are ordered in November. Once costumes are ordered, they are not returnable! Recital tickets will go on sale in early May. Plan to budget around \$15 per ticket. This includes tax and all online processing fees.

4.) **WITHDRAWALS:** Registering for our 2023-2024 dance session, is a NINE-MONTH COMMITMENT! You are expected to pay for nine months of tuition whether you attend class or not. If you are new to dance, you have through the beginning of November to decide to discontinue without penalty. If you must withdraw, a written notice must be given to our office manager 30 days prior to the withdrawal from dance class. If a withdrawal is made after recital costumes and fees have been charged, there WILL BE NO REFUND. The only exception to this policy is if a family has to move during the course of the school year or there is an unexpected family emergency. Choosing to drop dance mid-year is not acceptable.

5.) **DRESS:** Dancers must be dressed appropriately to participate in class and have hair pulled back if it's longer than chin length. The instructors reserve the right to ask your dancer to sit out if not dressed in proper dance attire or if they do not have the appropriate dance shoes. Jeans and school clothes are NOT considered appropriate dance attire. Dancers should wear form-fitting clothes (i.e.)...leotards, tights, leggings, yoga pants, shorts, and tank tops. Proper dress INCLUDING THE PROPER STYLE OF SHOES for the class helps instructors maximize instruction. Dance shoes and attire may be purchased at Debut's ONSTAGE Dance Boutique. All shoes must be ordered by November 1st in case they are back-ordered. Please review the "Shoe & Dance Attire Guide" attached to this packet.

6.) **STUDIO ETIQUETTE:** No street shoes, food or gum are allowed inside the dance studios. Water bottles are acceptable to bring to class. Please be respectful of all Debut furniture and property, the studio is not a playground. It is ok to bring food or snacks into the dressing rooms, please be sure to clean up after yourself!

7.) ATTENDANCE: Being a dancer at Debut entails a nine-month commitment. Having good attendance is important to the progression of the dancer, as each week skills are taught that build on the previous week's skills. Dancers with poor attendance slow the advancement of the class and inhibit personal growth. During recital time, if the dancer has missed too many classes and doesn't know the choreography, the instructor holds the right to pull the dancer from that dance.

8.) MISSED CLASSES: There are no refunds for missed classes. Make-up classes are available as an option but are not required. IF YOUR DANCER MUST MISS A CLASS, PLEASE BE COURTEOUS AND CALL OR EMAIL THE STUDIO. Regular attendance is essential to ensure the personal growth of your dancer and the progression of the class.
9.) INJURIES: If your dancer is injured, they are still expected to attend class to observe. Please bring a doctor's note confirming the injury. No tuition will be reimbursed due to an injury.

10.) **CELL PHONES:** Cell phones are not allowed in dance class. They may be brought to the studio to contact parents and should be kept in the dressing room. Phones will be confiscated and parents called with any inappropriate usage of phones.

11.) **BAD WEATHER:** Debut's bad weather cancellation policy is NOT determined by the surrounding school districts. Weather conditions change or improve rapidly. A text message/email notification will be sent to you as soon as the cancellation has been made. We try to make weather-related cancellation decisions by 2:00 pm of that day.

12.) **BREAKS AND HOLIDAYS:** The studio will have a fall break, winter break, and spring break. Dance will be held on most school vacation days... (i.e. Parent Teacher Conference days)

13.) ATTITUDES: Debut Dance does not tolerate any type of bullying. Leave gossip at the door!

