

## Who we are.

A dance collective concentrated on providing an edge for students who wish to grow their fundamental technique, or for those pursuing a competitive dance program.

# Why we are different.

- **Fostering an environment** that enhances feedback, creates more student-centered environments, and personal instruction.
- Active **community participation** and performance opportunities through competitive and non-competitive events.
- Strategic use of time in classes so learning is optimized. Less is sometimes more.
- We are a genuine leadership team focused on putting the **best interest** of our students and families first.
- If you choose to **attend a class at another educational location** to complement our training program, we welcome it, as long as it doesn't conflict with your dancers' Collective schedule and absence policies!
- Clear and **transparent communication** with families that bridges the gap between students, teachers and parents.
- Structured pricing model designed with transparency in mind.

## **DNA Dance Collective Guidelines**

Our competitive program consists of dancers pushing themselves to the limits of their technique and artistry. Genres of study include (but are not limited to): jazz, contemporary, lyrical, hip-hop, ballet and tap. Dancers will be placed in appropriate pieces (routines) based on age, or talent, by genre and are not limited to dancing within one age group.

#### In the Studio:

- 1. We reserve the right to remove any student from DNA Dance Collective at any time.
- 2. Please be prompt with picking up and dropping off students.
- 3. No hanging out or loitering around or behind the building at any time. Students should remain indoors once dropped off for class.
- 4. No gum chewing, food or drink are allowed in the studio rooms with the exception of water. All food garbage is to be thrown away in the large garbage cans.
- 5. Students will utilize all cubbies for their belongings during class sessions. All items are left at your own risk in cubbies and DNA Dance Collective will not be held liable for lost or stolen items.
- 6. No dancers are allowed in studio space with the absence of any DNA Dance Collective instructor.
- 7. It is the responsibility of the parents to inform DNA Dance Collective of any changes of enrollment. Accounts will not be refunded if a dancer takes a month off and has not informed DNA Dance Collective. Studio requires a 30 day drop notice, no exceptions.
- 8. The studio will be closed for the following holidays: Labor Day, Halloween, Week of Thanksgiving, Winter break, Spring Break, Memorial Day and the entire month of July. See studio calendar for specific details.
- 9. DNA Dance Collective reserves the right to cancel classes at our discretion. A makeup day may be created if necessary, but is not guaranteed. You may choose a make-up class in any appropriate level and age as a make-up if a make-up class isn't scheduled for your specific cancellation.
- 10. Zero tolerance policy of student to student, parent to student, or parent to parent harassment. This includes text messages, direct messages on social media discussing any dancer in a negative way. This is grounds for immediate dismissal of the entire family from DNA Dance Collective.
- 11. Students will adhere to uniform policies per genre. See class guidelines for specifics. You will be dismissed from class this season for incorrect clothing.
- 12. Students will always have appropriate shoes, accessories and hair for every class. Hair should be pulled back for EVERY CLASS.
- 13. Students are expected to maintain a healthy lifestyle and appropriate image on social media. Remember, little dancers idolize older dancers and we want to set great examples on all social mediums (Instagram, TikTok, Facebook, other cool apps we don't even know about)
- 14. If poor behavior is brought to our attention by other instructors outside of the owners, the dancer, parent, and teacher will be asked to have a meeting to discuss the consequences and expectations of being a member of *DNA Dance Collective*.
- 15. Ballet attire must be worn to class or you will be dismissed. This includes ballet shoes.

## **Billing and Financial Commitments:**

- 1. Costume fees will be notified for both the Winter showcase and Summer showcase with at least 60 days notice.
- 2. Tuition and costumes are non-refundable.
- 3. Credit cards on file that decline will be subject to a \$10 fee. A late fee of \$25 on any outstanding bill to DNA will be collected and will be enforced.
- 4. DNA is unable to split payments over multiple days in a month, split family environment, or over multiple credit cards. We apologize for the inconvenience.
- 5. Parents must keep an active card on file.
- 6. Monthly tuition is based on the number of class hours provided throughout the 11 month dance season, which runs August 2025 through June 2026. Tuition payments are divided into 11 equal payments, August 2025 through June 2026. Tuition is not prorated based on the number of classes per month.

## What to wear to class:

**Ballet -** Black leotard of choice, pink tights, hair in bun, pink split sole canvas ballet shoes (this is NOT optional attire, please plan accordingly for layering if your classes are back-to-back)

**Jazz/Contemporary -** form fitting attire, half soles on both feet, hair in ponytail (please stop wearing baggy sweatpants, and oversized t-shirts to class)

**Hip Hop** - sweats or baggy shorts (no booty shorts), t-shirt, and sneakers

**Tap -** form fitting attire, required tap shoes, hair in ponytail

# Yearly Event Calendar

## August 2025

August 11th - Regular class schedule for Pre-Collective, #foundations, and #minimovers begins

## September 2025

September 1 - Closed for Labor Day (Monday)

#### October 2025

October 31 - Closed for Halloween (Friday)

#### November 2025

November 24 - 30 - Closed for Thanksgiving Break

#### December 2025

TBD- Rec Photoshoot

December 20 - Winter Showcase (Select Collective Pieces + Rec + Pre)

December 22 - 31 - Closed for Holiday Break

## January 2026

January 1-4 - Closed for Holiday Break (continued)

## February 2026

#### March 2026

March 30-31 - Closed for Spring Break

## April 2026

April 1-5 - Closed for Spring Break (continued)

## May 2026

May 15-17 - DNA Dance Collective Chapter 9 Audition/Clinics May 25- Closed for Memorial Day May 26-29 - Rec Photoshoot

#### June 2026

June 13 - End of Year Show (All Collective/Pre-Collective/Rec)

## July 2026

July 20-24 - DNA Summer School - (All Genres) - (Optional) - \$250