

Fundraiser

We offer a Cookie Dough fundraiser to help cover your dancer's recital costumes. Order forms for this fundraiser will be handed out the first week of class. Details will be provided in a cover letter with the order form. We sold \$37,000 last year and parents received 40%.

Transportation

Students may walk to the studio after school or be dropped off. The studio is not staffed for babysitting, so please discuss proper behavior with your child while they are at the studio and waiting for their class to start. Please make sure your child knows where you will be picking them up after class so they are not unattended in the parking lot.

Monthly Announcements & Billing in Parent Portal

Monthly newsletters will be available primarily in your **Parent Portal**. We use Dance Studio Pro software. When signing up, make sure you opt into your Parent Portal. Previous students click "Forgot Password" and set up a new one. We will also have a SSOD App you can download from the App Store or Google Play & connect to your DSP Parent Portal.

Calendar of Events

DATE	EVENT
September 8-Season begins	1st Day of Dance (34-36 weeks of class)
October 2 (Thursday)	Cookie Dough orders due
October 6-9 (Mon-Thu)	Bring A Friend to Class
October 27-30	Halloween Parties
November 3-6 (Mon-Thu)	Video classes & send to parents
November 26-27 (Wed-Thu)	CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING
December 1	Total Costume Payment Due
December 15-18 (Mon-Thu)	Holiday parties & wear PJ's
December 22-Jan 4	WINTER VACATION, Class resumes 1-5-26
February 2	\$35 Recital Digital Media Fee due
February 9-12	Video class & send to parents
February 16	CLOSED FOR PRESIDENTS' DAY
March 30-April 3	CLOSED FOR SPRING BREAK (Resume Monday April 6)
April 27-April 30	Recital pictures taken at dance studio
May 4-7	Video classes & send to parents
May 11 at 12:00 a.m	Recital Tickets on Sale Online
May 25 (Monday)	CLOSED FOR MEMORIAL DAY
June 5 (Friday)	Dress Rehearsal at Dow Event Theatre
June 6- Saturday 3 pm curtain	Recital at Dow Event Theatre, Saginaw



Studio Handbook 2025-26

Dance Season

Sue's School of Dance continues to stand as a leader of dance training in Tuscola County. We are committed to providing the beginning to advanced students with the exceptional instruction they deserve. Our studio has friendly, professional and dedicated instructors who will push students to their potential and never give up on them. Our goal is to create a safe haven where self-esteem is built and great memories are made for children of all ages.

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Dress Code

A student's attire greatly determines their attitude and work ethic in class. The studio **REQUIRES** a standard of appropriate neatness and class-designated dress at all times.

- **Tap**-Any clothing the student can move in, just no jeans.
- **Jazz/Lyrical & Acro**-Leotards, unitards, spandex shorts, & tight t-shirts of any style or color along with appropriate shoes which the teacher will determine color. Hair must be in a bun or ponytail.
- **Hip Hop**-Baggy dance/sweatpants & shirts along with clean tennis shoes or hip hop shoes. Hair pulled off face or in a ponytail.
- **Ballet/Pointe**-Leotard of following color, pink tights, pink canvas or leather ballet slippers. Skirts & leg warmers are optional. Hair must be in a bun. Leotards can be purchased from Attitudes in our lower level.
- **Leveling colors** are as follows:
 - Mon 4:30 Ballet-Lavender
 - Thu 3:45 Ballet-Lavender
 - Thu 4:30 Ballet-Navy
 - Thu 5:15 Ballet-Raisin
 - Thu 6:00 Ballet-Black

Help your child follow these guidelines so as not to have to sit through class. The importance of being properly dressed helps the studio create a positive learning environment for every child.

Studio Policies

In order to provide a safe and enjoyable learning environment dancers will need to adhere to the following rules:

- Respect the studio by not eating in the dance rooms and by throwing away any wrappers, bags & recycling water bottles when finished.
- Respect others in the studio by not engaging in any curse language and by not exhibiting any destructive behavior towards the studio property or the property of others.
- Dancers are not permitted to leave the building unattended unless they are given permission by a parent.
- Dancers will give all teachers, staff and other students the same respect they themselves would want to receive.
- Dancers will arrive to class, rehearsals, recitals, and picture days on time or early.
- Please put your child's name on shoes & backpacks & water bottles.

Attendance Policy

We urge dancers to attend all dance classes. We understand there will be illness, deaths, and situations that may be out of your control that can affect your child's attendance. We ask that it does not become excessive as it will hinder your child's development and cause them to become frustrated. Students who miss four classes in a row, except for health reasons, will be dropped from their class(es). Re-enrollment is at the teacher's discretion and no refunds will be made. Please call if your child is going to miss class.

Payment Policies and Fees

When registering your dancer online, you will pay a \$20 per family registration fee & 1st month's tuition. All payments are due in full by the 10th of each month. A \$10 late fee will be added when paid after the 10th. If an account falls one (1) month behind, then expect your child to sit through class. There will be a \$25 fee on returned checks. Details regarding tuition are as follows:

Session Length	Monthly Amount	
30 minutes	\$38	
45 minutes	\$43	
60 minutes	\$48	
*2-3 classes receive 8% discount & 4 or more classes receive a 12% discount		
Queens/Princesses Comp Team	\$200	
Duchess Competition Team	\$150	

***Comp kids' additional recreational class fees are \$35 with a 12% discount** When making payments, remember that the length of each month differs. We take the total amount due and divide by 9 months to come up with your monthly tuition due. The 1st week of June will not be charged & is considered makeup for snow days.

Costume

Each class will be required to purchase their performance costume for the June recital. Costume prices range from \$40-\$80 depending on the class, age & size. The total amount for costumes will be due the week of December 1st. We need to order them early so we are able to get them on time for pictures. Ordering in volume is the only way to keep the cost of costumes affordable. Fundraisers will help with the costs.

Class Recordings: Nov 3-6, Feb 9-12, May 4-7

Parents & siblings can be a real distraction during a class. We record 3 weeks during the dance year and post them on your DSP Parent Portal. You will then receive a link for that recording and be able to watch your child's class at your convenience and/or share with family members.

Closings & Cancellations:

When closed due to weather, you will receive a text message.

Questions & Concerns are to be brought to the desk.

Media Fee of \$35 will be charged February 2nd in addition to tuition. All families will receive digital recording of the recital and it can be shared with your friends, family & on social media.