REMIX
DANCE STUDIO

Handbook 2025/2026

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Studio Calendar

Of Important Events

August

First Day of Classes — Monday, August 25th

September

Oktemberfest Dance Practices: Sat, Sept 13 & Fri Sept 26th

Oktemberfest Parade — Saturday, Sept 27th

ALL POM & Competition STUDENTS REQUIRED to learn dance & participate in the parade!! All other students are welcome to walk in the parade! Purchase of Parade shirts are mandatory for all participants!!

October

FAMILY FRIENDLY

Halloween Party- Fundraiser — *Friday, October 31st*

Wear your Halloween costumes to class all week 10/27 - 10/31

November

Thanksgiving Break - no classes — Mon, Nov 24 - 28

December

Holiday Performance (Fundraiser) — Saturday, Dec. 6th

Holiday Break - no classes — Dec 22rd - Jan 2nd

(Competition Dancers may still have practices if available)

January

Acro & Comp showcase	Saturday, January 17th

February

Pajama week	February 9th-13th

March

Spring Break - No Classes	Mon 16th - Sat 20th

April

Remix Adult Prom (fundraiser) T.C.'s Pub (Marshalltown) 7-11 pm	Saturday, April 18th
Dance Pictures	Saturday, April 25th

May

Spring Fling Dance (Fundraiser) (event for dancers and family/friends)	Friday, May 1st
***Recital <u>Dress Rehearsal</u>**	**Fri May 15**
****Recital - MHS Auditorium** 2 SHOWS THIS YEAR!!	**Saturday May 16** 11:00 am and 5:00 pm

Communication

When you register your child please make sure you have received an invitation for the Band app. Band is our #1 form of communication within our studio family. You will need to download the app onto your phone. We use Band to post practice videos so that our students can watch and practice at home.

Please refrain from using Facebook as it is our public page and we may not respond regularly or see messages. We use Facebook solely to post events we are having at the studio for the public. If you do not have access to the Band app, contact Angie or Dani a.s.a.p.

Registration

A non-refundable fee of $20 per new student (maximum 2 per family) is required yearly at the time of registration. Current student registration fee is $10. The registration fee covers administrative expenses and is paid by all students. (Fee is voided during Early Bird Registration day)

Payment of Fees

We offer an auto-withdrawal from your bank account for your monthly tuition payments. At your first class in August, you will remit payment for September + 1 week August tuition, fill out the necessary auto-withdrawal forms (including a voided check) and your auto-withdrawal will begin on September 10, 2025.

Tuition can be paid monthly by check, money order, cash, or online through Dance Studio Pro. We no longer accept payment through Paypal. Payment must be received by the 10th of the month or you will be charged a $20 late fee. We do not always have someone in the studio to take payments so please put the exact amount of your tuition in an envelope

with your dancer's name on it and place it inside the drop box attached to the front of the desk. You can also mail a payment to us, but remember, it must be received in the office on or before the 10th of the month.

All non-sufficient funds checks or auto-withdrawal returns will be charged a $30 fee, per return.

Family/Multi-Class Discount

We offer a family discount of $10 per class after the first class.

Financial Assistance

Remix Dance Academy is proud to be a non-profit organization who can provide financial assistance for a number of families facing financial hardship. With donations to our Judy Tucker Dance Scholarship Fund, we are often able to provide financial assistance to those who qualify. Please contact studio directors, Angie or Dani, to set up an appointment to see if you qualify for financial assistance. We require proof of income for all who apply.

Discontinuing classes and refunds

Withdrawal from classes must be done by the parent in person or over the phone. After speaking with your child's teacher, your auto-withdrawal account will be terminated. Remix Dance Academy reserves the right to terminate lessons to any student without notice. In such a case, a refund for unused lessons will be given if there is a credit on your account from a payment.

If you withdraw your child from class within 2 months of the end of year recital, you will be responsible for the remainder of tuition payments for the year. Example: if your child quits dance mid-March and recital is in May, you are responsible for tuition payments for March, April, and May. Remix

Dance Academy will pursue actions to recover any debt up to and including legal action.

PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES & CODE OF CONDUCT

Communication! Our #1 form of communication at Remix is through the Band App. You are required to have the Band app, at minimum, to be informed of news, as well as recorded lessons for your child to practice. Facebook will be used only to promote our studio and to make public announcements. Remix will also send messages through texts and emails. Please make sure that you check your spam and junk mail if you are not receiving emails! It is necessary for us to also have the correct email addresses and phone numbers of our parents in Dance Studio Pro. Please make sure you update this information should it change.

Please make sure your child comes to dance with their proper dance attire. Dance attire includes leotard, tights, spandex shorts like “bike shorts,” tank top, T-shirt, and leggings. NO JEANS or JEGGINGS. If you need assistance with dance clothing, we have new and gently used items for very discounted prices at the studio.

Parents are responsible for making sure your child has the proper shoes for their class. Remix staff will assist you in ordering their dance shoes at the beginning of the season, or you can supply your child with purchasing them yourself. NO STREET SHOES on the dance floors! All shoes must be purchased and NAMES WRITTEN INSIDE THE SHOES by the end of the first month of the season. Again, we also have gently used dance shoes in our studio. You can purchase a pair of used shoes from us at a fraction of the cost of new.

Remix is not responsible for providing before or after class care for students. Students are not to be left at the studio for excessive amounts of time. Parents are to drop off your child NO EARLIER than 5 minutes before dance class starts. Parents must pick up your child no longer than 5 minutes after their class ends! If your child comes to class directly after school and they have multiple classes, please send a MESS FREE SNACK with them! **Students should not bring friends to dance, except on scheduled date(s). Parents will be notified when Bring-a-Friend dates will be coming up.**

Students should come to class with a water bottle of their own. This water bottle can be kept at the studio if necessary. Water bottles are sold at the studio for $0.50 each. If your child does not bring their own water bottle, they will need to bring money to purchase, or we will charge their dance accounts.

Parents/Caregivers of younger children who need help using the restroom must remain at the studio during their child's entire class time. All other parents will wait outside of the dance studio.

All students must be picked up by a parent/guardian unless teacher/front desk is notified. Students MUST wait inside the studio until their parent/guardians arrive to pick them up. No children are to run around outside in the parking lot/surrounding areas. This is a safety hazard/concern. Remix Dance Academy is not responsible for children who leave the building. Staff is not always available to receive and respond to text messages to “send my child outside.” Please come inside to pick up your children.

Remix is unique in the fact that we want you kids to be at dance and we are willing to meet people where they are at. Remix is truly a place where everyone can dance, and often we are the only outlet a child has for dealing with everything that life has to throw at them. If your child needs assistance with school work, or just someone to talk to, our staff will make

time to help, or just be a listening ear. Please do not use dance as a form of punishment due to poor school performance/grades. Our staff includes several certified school teachers who are willing to make time to assist with homework as needed. Please reach out for more information (641-328-3085).

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Dancers are expected to attend class and be punctual. If a student arrives late to class, it is up to the discretion of the individual teacher whether or not they may participate or just be allowed to watch for the remainder of class.

Respect for teachers, parents and peers will be expected at all times. Cliques or bullying will not be tolerated. Dancers behaving inappropriately will be asked to leave the class, and parents will be contacted.

Please arrive NO MORE THAN 5 minutes prior to your class to warm-up/prepare yourself.

No outdoor shoes on the dance studio floors. Please store all shoes in the cubbies provided and not on the floor as this is a tripping hazard.

Dancers must be dressed in proper attire and hair up and out of their face for every class (see dress code).

Dancers must treat the studio as if it was their home. Clean up all messes and throw out any garbage in the many bins provided.

No food or drink (other than water bottles) are allowed on the dance studio or acro floors.

No gum or candy is allowed on the dance floors at any time.

No cell phones allowed in the Dance Floor Studio area at any time! Only instructors or staff are allowed to record performances/practices for educational purposes.

Label all belongings and leave all valuables at home. Remix Dance Academy cannot be held responsible for any lost or missing belongings. Please check the lost and found box regularly as all items will be donated to Goodwill after a certain length of time.

We encourage all of our students to work hard and try hard, and be the best dancer that they can be.

THE FOLLOWING MAY RESULT WARNING/SUSPENSION FROM CLASS:

- Disrespect to teachers, students, or other patrons of the studio
- Repeat violation of classroom etiquette
- Refusal to wear proper dress code
- Multiple unexcused absences

THE FOLLOWING MAY RESULT IN IMMEDIATE DISMISSAL FROM CLASS & REMIX DANCE ACADEMY:

- Destruction, damage, or theft of Remix Dance Academy property
- Illegal possession of drugs, drug paraphernalia, alcohol, or weapons
- Physical or verbal intimidation/harassment, abuse, or bullying (including through text or social media)
- Intentional injury or harm done to others

ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance is a must if your child is to benefit the most from their dance training. Each student is important to the progress of the entire class, and dance choreography is planned for each student in the class. Interest is kept when there is progress and development. Irregular attendance slows both. If your child is going to be absent, please call the studio at 641-328-3085 to report the reason for their absence. If your child

is absent, they are responsible for viewing the recording of the class that they missed on the Band app. If your child will be missing several classes due to a vacation or unexpected emergency, it is necessary for them to contact a teacher as a make-up lesson may be required.

CLASS PROGRESS

Students at Remix are grouped according to age, skill, practicing habits, and attendance. If we feel a student isn't keeping up, or could progress faster, we will move them to another class. We are always re-evaluating our classes and making improvements. We ask that you try your class for one month before asking to advance. Your teachers monitor every dancer, and are the best judge as per which class level is appropriate for your child.

BAD WEATHER

When bad weather develops, all cancellations will be posted on Facebook, the Band app, and text messages via Dance Studio Pro. If you feel unsafe driving in any weather, please contact the studio to let us know your child will not be in class. Do not assume that there will not be dance classes because school is canceled. Please refer to social media and the text messages sent.

RECITAL

Your child will be ordered one or two costumes, or costume pieces, per class genre/style. For example, if your child is in a combination class such as hip-hop/jazz, they will have two costumes for recital. These costumes will be ordered no later than December, so that they arrive in time for pictures. Fundraiser earnings will be used to pay for costumes, or you can pay on your own. Please keep due dates for costume payments in mind, as we realize that December is a tough month financially.

Recital is scheduled for May 16, 2025 at the Marshalltown High School Auditorium. This year there will be 2 performances, one in the late morning and one in the evening. ***We will be asking for parent assistance backstage during one of these shows, while you are free to watch the other performance of the day.*** We will hold a dress rehearsal at the auditorium on Friday, May 15th. The week of recital we require extra practices which are required by ALL STUDENTS! Please plan accordingly!

INJURIES

Parents, legal guardians of minor students, and adult students waive the right to any legal action for any injury sustained on studio property resulting from normal dance or tumbling activity, or any other activity conducted by the students before, during, or after dance. All parents must sign the waiver located in the Dance Studio Pro account.

I have read, understand, and agree to have my child and myself follow the policies outlined in the Remix Dance Academy Handbook.

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Dancer Name

_____ _____
Dancer Signature Date

_____ _____
Parent/Guardian(s) Signature Date