



Academy of Christian Arts

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Studio Policies - 2023/2024

Classes Begin
Monday September 11, 2023

Thank you for your interest in Academy of Christian Arts, ACA. This packet outlines basic program information and expectations for the 2023 / 2024 dance season. Please review these carefully. Although ACA offers elements of a traditional dance program, you will find something different in our approach. We embrace the Christian Family values while teaching our students the art of dance. Learning dance requires both hard work and discipline; the same characteristics necessary for a solid Christian walk. Does this mean we ignore technical development? Of course not! In fact, we have found that when a student approaches class with the correct attitude and willingness to work hard, they can learn very rapidly.

Studio Information

The studios website is www.acadancers.com.

We update the website through the year.

Studio email is info@acadancers.com

Studio Address: 1115 St Mary St, Scott, 70583 /

439 Millcreek Rd, Lafayette, 70508

Studio Phone: 291-9977

Holiday Schedule

Thanksgiving Break: November 20-24, 2023

Christmas Break: Dec. 23, 2023 - Jan. 5, 2024

Mardi Gras - Feb. 12-16, 2024

Easter Break - Mar. 29-April 5, 2024

Our severe weather cancellation policy is:-

If Lafayette Parish Schools are closed due to weather (not holidays) so is the studio!!

Dress Code

Our dress code for girls is black leotard and pink tights. Cover ups are acceptable if they meet the following criteria: No t-shirts may be worn in class. Shorts & pants are allowed in class if they are black and fitted enough for the teacher to see body placement. No pants are allowed in Ballet or Pointe class. Ballet Skirts are also welcomed and may be any color. Advanced level class students are allowed pink, black or tan tights.

Our dress code for boys is loose fitting black pants with white t-shirts.

Hip Hop classes are free dress as long as your clothing is appropriate.

Adult dancers should wear all black (shirts & pants are acceptable).

Black Leotards with fitted shorts is acceptable for acrobats.

Shoes

Beginner I - Primary I = pink ballet shoes and tan mary jane style tap shoes with buckles.

Primary II - Teen = pink ballet shoes, tan mary jane style tap shoes with buckles, & tan jazz shoes

Hip Hop = Tennis Shoes, Acrobats = Barefoot, Dance With Me = Ballet Shoes Only,

Boys = Black Jazz Shoes, Adult = Ballet Shoe or Jazz Shoe.

(these are the color of the shoes needed for recitals; however, any color shoe is allowed in class)

Convention

Dance Revolution is an annual Christian based dance convention that we attend. The convention is open to everyone six years old and up. This convention is hosted in Dallas, TX, November 3-5. Everyone is responsible for booking their own hotel room. The hotel is the Hyatt Regency DFW located at 2334 N. International Parkway, Dallas, TX 75261. The hotel's phone number is 972-453-1234 and the discount code is "dance revolution". We highly encourage attendance to this event. It is a challenging weekend, both spiritually and physically. Those who have attended with open hearts have had an awesome experience. This is your chance to see the bigger-picture of Christian dance. Not to mention that we have a blast!! For more information on the convention please visit their website, www.dance-revolution.com. Please let us know by Sept. 25 if you are interested.

Tuition

Tuition is based on a nine month dance season: September thru May. We collect prepaid last month's tuition with your registration. Tuition is due on the 1st of the month. Tuition is nonrefundable.

Any balance due after the 10th of the month is subject to a \$5.00 late fee unless prior written arrangements have been made with the bookkeeper. All NSF checks will be charged a \$20.00 NSF Fee.

Auto Pay will take effect on the next month's invoice. If you have a balance due for tuition, please make your payment by check or online payment to ensure you do not incur late fees. Recital fees will be drafted for Installment #1 on November 1st and for Installment #2 on February 1st. By signing up for Auto Pay, you authorize Academy of Christian Arts to charge your account with the full balance due on the 1st day of each month beginning in September and ending in April.

Cancellation/Withdrawal Policy: A 30 day written notice must be given should you decide to discontinue classes. Verbal withdrawal is not acceptable. Please notify the bookkeeper in writing (email is fine) should you choose to drop a class. Students who simply stop coming to class will continue to be billed for every month until they officially withdraw. Students withdrawing after the 1st of the month will be billed for the following month's full tuition rate.

If you should have any questions on your account, you should contact Amber Guilbeau via email, amber@acadancers.com

Recital

Our recital will be in May; date TBD. The week before recital will be our rehearsals and dress rehearsals.

Green & Orange Recitals will be in the morning. Blue & Yellow Recitals will be in the afternoon. Times TBD.

Recital Fee Totals

Dance with Me, Hip Hop Only, Acrobats Only, Boys Technique (1 Costume)= \$200

Beginner I-Primary I - (2 Costumes)= \$255

Primary II-Intermediate II - (3 Costumes)= \$310

Junior I- Teen - (4 Costumes)= \$360

Hip Hop with Dance, Acrobats with Dance, Pointe (1 Costume) \$60

Intermediate Advanced - (must be enrolled in another Int class) - (3 Costumes) \$180

Jr Adv., Teen Adv & Sr Advanced - (if enrolled in another class) - (4 Costumes) \$240, (if not enrolled in another class) - \$360

Recital fees will be billed in two installments.

Installment one will be billed October 10th and due on November 1st.

Installment two will be billed January 10th and due on February 1st.

Explanation of Fees

Recital Fee includes the cost of the costume(s) & all headpieces (tights provided by dancer both pink & tan), the rental of the facility, props, backdrops, pictures in the program, copy of the program, recital t-shirt, and admission.

Program Fee- Each dancer will be required to sell at least one ad in our recital program.

Optional DVD's & Pictures will also be available for purchase directly from the selected vendors.

Communication

ACA wants to keep the parents and students up to date with events. Important announcements will go out via email.

Our online parent portal will keep everyone up to date with class enrollments & studio news. Parents will be able to see tuition & payment history as well as make their payments online. Class music, costumes, & important announcements will also be available through the parent portal.

Advanced Dancers / Competition-

Available for ages 8-up. If your dancer is serious about dance and ready to be pushed to the next level, they should audition for our advanced level classes. Any dancer interested in auditioning for the competition team, must first audition and be accepted for an Advanced Level Class. Please see special information sheet for the details.

AUDITIONS: SATURDAY July 15 !!!!!!!!!