



Dancin J's Studio

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Hi! My name is Jennifer Dudek and I would personally like to welcome you to the Dancin J's Studio dance family.

I hope you'll be satisfied and pleased with your child's acquired skills and abilities this coming year. Our goal is to provide a valuable service for your child; one that is professional, one that teaches your child a good quality dance and/or tumbling foundation, one that encourages self-esteem, and one that helps children develop a love of and appreciation for the art of dance.

If you have any questions or concerns you may call me at 724-515-5064 or email me at missjen@dancinjsstudio.com.

Thank you for being a part of the DJS family!

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† CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

Acro - Students will learn various tumbling skills. Students will learn basics like backbends & rolls, to harder skills such as back handsprings.

Ballet - A class in which students will learn the Cecchetti method of ballet. Classes consist of barre work and floor work. Students will learn the ballet terms and proper technique of this elegant style of dance. Ages 9 & up also learn lyrical, modern, & contemporary styles in their ballet classes.

Dance Basics - Dance Basics is a class for 2 & 3 year olds. In this class, children learn basic ballet & jazz steps. We begin with a simple ballet warm up, & head to the floor for some jazz stretches. A little dance routine finishes off the class. (We get this question frequently, & YES, this class is also included in our annual recital.)

Hip Hop - A class in which students will be introduced to the concepts of freestyle/street dance. Dance experience is not necessary but is helpful.

Intro to Dance - A 1 hour long class specifically designed for beginners. Students will have ballet for the first half hour of class each week, then alternate between tap and jazz every other week. We offer Intro to Dance 1 (Teeny Weenies) for those with a year or less dance experience, and Intro to Dance 2 (Teeny Tinies) for those who've had more than one year of dance.

Jazz - This class consists of a warm up, stretching, and across the floor exercises. Emphasis continues to be placed on proper body placement and proper usage of the muscles. Students focus upon achieving maximum flexibility, body isolations, turns, kicks, leaps and jumps. The wide array of jazz styles is introduced in this class.

Pointe - Another form of ballet in which students wear specially made shoes to stand on their toes. This class is only offered to advanced students ages 11 and up. It is the teacher's discretion if a student is ready for pointe or not. One must have strong feet and ankles to participate.

Tap - A style of dance in which the rhythm is sounded out by the clicking taps on the heels and toes of a dancer's shoes. Students will learn how to project different rhythms of the tap technique.

Tiny Tots Tumbling - Tiny Tots Tumbling is a class designed for the younger student, aged 5 & under. Children begin with a stretch, & move onto backbends, somersaults, backward rolls, & handstands. They will also begin to learn more difficult skills for this age, consisting of walk-overs & cartwheels.

† PLACEMENT

Placement is made according to age and/or ability. Each class will increase its level of difficulty according to the ability of the class as a whole. You will be notified if a change in placement needs to be made.



† DRESS CODE

Dress code is as follows:

Acro / Tumbling: Leotard, No Shoes, Footless or convertible tights are optional

Ballet: Any color leotard & tights, Ballet skirt optional, NO pants, shorts, t-shirts, sweatshirts. Boys: t-shirt tucked into stretchy pants or sweatpants, Ballet shoes or soft, ballet-like slippers.

Hip Hop: Loose fitted or stretchy pants or shorts. Tank top or fitted t-shirt. Jazz shoes, jazz sneakers, or tennis shoes.

Intro to Dance: Any color leotard & tights, Ballet skirt optional, NO pants, shorts, t-shirts, sweatshirts. Boys: t-shirt tucked into stretchy pants or sweatpants, Ballet shoes or soft, ballet-like slippers and tap shoes.

Jazz: Leotard, tights, jazz pants/shorts. Any kind of jazz shoes or ballet shoes.

Tap: Leotard, tights, jazz pants/shorts. Any kind of tap shoes are suitable.

Technique & Conditioning: Any type of dance clothes. Any type of shoe, other than tap shoes.

Note: Hair should be neatly secured off the neck and NO jewelry should be worn during class. A dancer should always be dressed according to the dress code. It is part of self-discipline and is evidence of a student's serious approach to learn.

† CONDUCT

Please be on time for your class. No gum will be allowed in class. Please pick up after yourselves and your children in the waiting area. You will be responsible for any damages made to the studio by your child. Younger children will receive stamps or a sticker for good behavior. Children may not receive their stamps or sticker if they have not behaved.

† OBSERVATION

Observers are not permitted in the classroom during class. We have televisions in the waiting area for you to watch the classrooms. There will be an end of class observation at the end of the month. Please keep the doors closed and the noise down while waiting. If parents do not stay, please be on time for pick up.

† MISSED CLASSES

There will be no deductions for missed lessons except in cases of prolonged illness; however, classes may be made up in another class of similar age and ability level.

† BAD WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

In case of bad weather, we will post all cancellations on our website, also our social network pages ([Facebook](#) & [Twitter](#)). We will also text those individuals signed up for the [text alert system](#) for the classes affected.

† CLASS WITHDRAWALS

We hope that you are happy with all your classes, but understand if you want to be move or removed from a class for any reason. In order to make class changes, you need to notify Miss Jen by either email (missjen@dancinjsstudio.com) or phone 724-515-5064.



✦ COSTUMES

Costumes will be selected by the instructors. You will need to submit the require deposit of \$30 per costume and be current with your payment for them to be ordered. Costume fees are in addition to monthly tuition. All students will be measured during class time by the instructors, usually in early December. All students will be required to try on costumes upon arrival, to verify they fit. If an exchange needs to be made, you will be responsible for the related shipping or rush charges. Costume companies require a \$10 restocking fee. Please note because of the long lead times for the costumes, we might not be able to exchange in time.

✦ COMPETITION

If your student is enrolled in our Elite classes they will get to participate in the various local Pittsburgh area competitions we attend. By being an elite student, it is required you are registered for Technique & Conditioning. Costumes for competitions will be selected by the instructors, and you will need to submit the require deposit and be current with your payment for them to be ordered.

✦ HOLIDAY PERFORMANCES

Dancin J's Studio likes to do some small performances around the Holidays at local retirements homes. This is a great opportunity for the students to get some performance time under their belt, as well as put smiles on faces of the residence. Once dates are booked, we will notify the classes that are performing. There are simple costumes that you need to purchase.

✦ RECITAL

Each year we hold a recital to showcase what was learned during the year. It is always the 3rd Saturday in June. We have a dress rehearsal the Thursday (Matinee) / Friday (Evening) night prior. The recital is not mandatory, but highly encouraged. Tickets will be sold in the beginning of May via our online ticketing system.

✦ PAYMENTS

DJS does not provide monthly invoices. It is the parent/guardian responsibility for paying the monthly payment on time. Billing periods are based on a 4 week month, which equals 10 periods for the fall season. Payments are due on the 1st lesson of each month, there will be a \$20 late fee added after the 15th of the month. You can pay online through Studio Director with PayPal or at the studio by check or cash. If paying at studio, it can be placed in the drop box located in the lobby. Envelopes are for cash only. Mark name, class time and amount paid on the envelope and enclose the payment. If paying by check no envelope is necessary, but please marks the student's full name and how your payment should be applied in the memo portion of your check. There is a \$30 service charge on returned checks.

✦ IMPORTANT DATES

HALLOWEEN DRESSUP - October 23 - 28

CLOSED THANKSGIVING - November 23 - November 25

CLOSED CHRISTMAS - December 24 - January 1, resume January 2.

CLOSE MEMORIAL DAY - May 28

RECITAL - June 16 / Rehearsal June 14 (Matinee) & June 15 (Evening)

**Please note more dates will be added throughout the year, please refer to our website for most up to date information.*