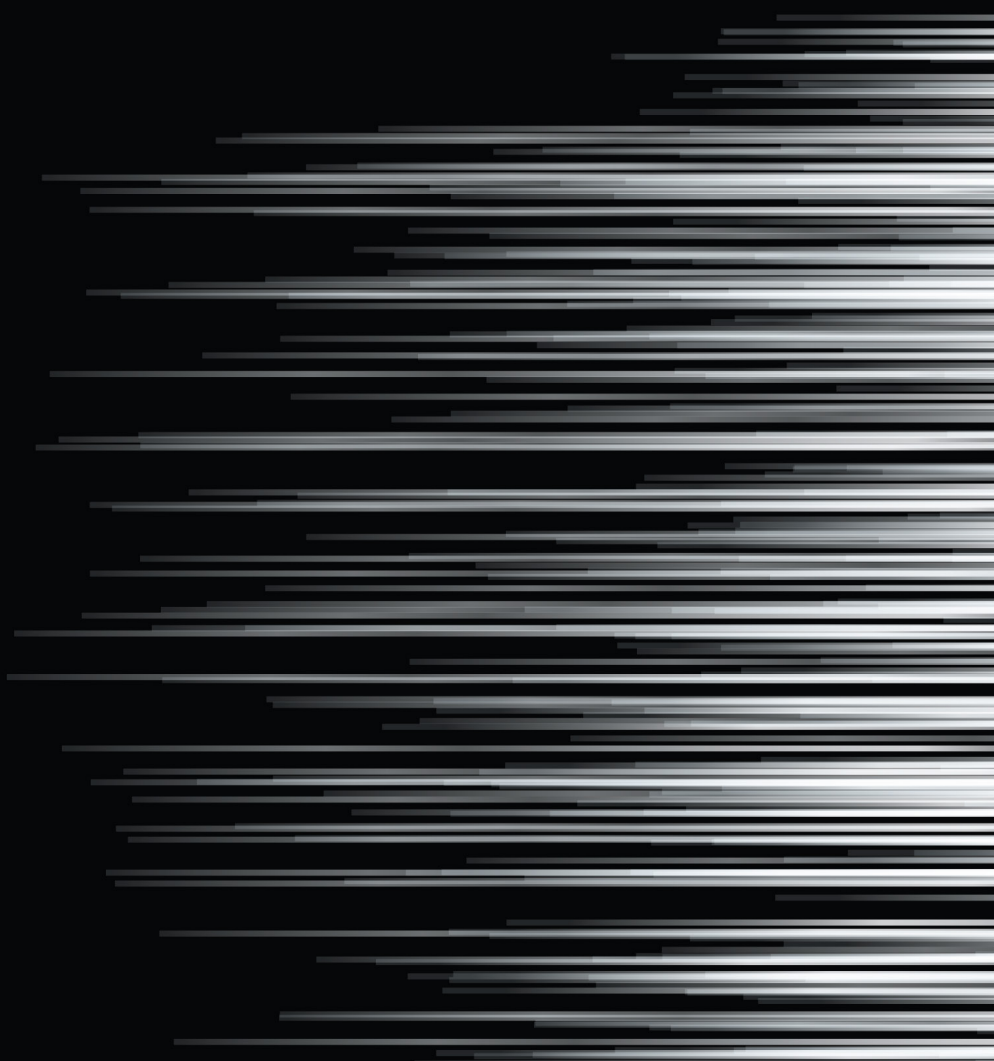


2023 • 2024  
STAGE DOOR  
**DANCER**  
HANDBOOK



Welcome to Season 32 at Stage Door Dance Studio!

### *To our Stage Door Parents:*

As a parent, you play an important role in supporting your student financially, but your emotional support is of even greater value. Please encourage your child to be the best that he or she can be, regardless of what others may achieve. All students will progress at a different rate, even if they experience the exact same training. What comes easily for one student may present more of a challenge for another.

**It's important to encourage children to focus on them- selves, give their all, and be proud of their own accomplishments.**

Our dance programs will give children selfdiscipline, self-confidence, and self-esteem. Hopefully, dancers will receive discipline that will carry with them for life; while enjoying the much needed fun that comes from their classes.

### *Studio Environment*

Please note that the lobby is made available for the convenience of our students and their families. We ask that you please respect the classes in session and the areas around you. Please allow room for dancers to change shoes and prepare for their upcoming classes.

We ask that the noise level from siblings and parents waiting be kept at a reasonable level when classes are in session. Please only bring water and tightly covered drinks. Your courtesy will be greatly appreciated. Students and parents should not go behind the office desk for any reason. Should you need help with something, please ask one of our staff members. Parents and students should never interrupt a class in session.

Children must be supervised at all times and are not free to run around the lobby, hallways or classroom areas. Never speak negatively about teachers, students, or parents from other studios this includes social media. All students must show respect for their teachers at all times. Inappropriate behavior could result in dismissal from the studio.

## *Classrooms*

There is to be no gum, food or sodas in the dance studios at any time. Students must eat snacks/dinner in the reception area. Water bottles are permitted. **NO CELL PHONES allowed in the classroom.** If a student's cell phone is seen it will re-main at the desk for the remainder of the evening. If you need to get in contact with a student that is in class, please call the front desk and our staff will happily relay the message to your student. No outside street shoes are allowed in ANY DANCE ROOMS.

## *Stay Informed*

Our office hours: Monday - Thursday 3:30 PM - 8:30 PM  
Facebook and Instagram - Make sure you follow us to keep up to date on information regarding the studio and classes.

## *Arrival Time*

Students should arrive no sooner than 15 minutes before their class begins, and should be picked up promptly after each class is over. **The studio is not responsible for students once their class is dismissed.**

## *Late Arrivals*

Students are not allowed to participate in a class if they arrive more than 15 minutes past the start time, unless you have let the studio know you are coming late from a prior engagement.

## *Substitute Teachers*

Stage Doors has the right to provide a substitute teacher if the regularly scheduled teacher is unable to teach the class. Students should not miss a class because they know a substitute teacher will be covering their class.

## *Snow Closures or Weather Related Closures*

We DO NOT follow Prince William County Public Schools for weather related closures or delays. Please check your email or our Facebook page prior to coming to class, as we will send out a notification about the status of classes and rehearsals. Afternoon and evening class changes will be announced by 2pm.

## *Tuition*

All tuition for the dance studio is based on the season (Aug. - June), not by the class or month. Payments may be made for 10 sessions. There will be no refunds issued for missed classes.

Registration Fee: \$50.00 fee is due and payable upon registration each year. Registration fees are per family, not per student and are non-refundable. All Payments are due by the 29th of each month.

**All families are required to have a credit card entered in the system in order to enroll on autopay.** If you prefer to pay by cash or check at the office, payment must be received prior to the 29th of the month. If payment is received at the office prior to autopay running on the SDDS due date, your card will not be charged.

All payments made through the customer portal will be applied to the oldest unpaid charges. If you need your payment applied elsewhere, email [stagedoordancestudio@gmail.com](mailto:stagedoordancestudio@gmail.com)

It is important to note that tuition is considered late after the 7th of each month and a \$25.00 late fee will automatically be applied to your account. All payments are non-refundable and non-transferable. We accept Visa, MasterCard and American Express. We do not accept checking accounts on the SDDS portal.

As a reminder payments declined are subject to an administrative late fee of \$25.00.

**The returned check fee is \$25.00 and must be paid immediately upon notice. Any accounts with an unpaid balance exceeding 45 days will result in the dancer not being permitted into class until payment is received in full.**

**Missed classes may be made up within one month of your absence. No credit or refund is given for student absences, holiday closures or weather related closures.**

**ALL STUDENTS WITHDRAWING FROM A CLASS MUST DO SO PRIOR TO THE 25TH OF THE MONTH TO AVOID THE FOLLOWING MONTH CHARGE. NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN.**

## *Dress Code*

It's important that students abide by a dress code policy for the following reasons: A neat and tidy appearance sets an attitude of attentiveness and respect for students, teacher, and the art of dance. Also, teachers must be able to see the dancer's body outline clearly in order to make proper corrections on posture, alignment, etc.

Hair must be pulled up for all classes. Hair must be in a bun for ballet classes. No t-shirts, gum or baggy sweat pants.

**ALL ballet students must wear a black leotard and pink tights for ballet. Ballet Skirts are allowed.**

For all other classes Black leotards, sports bras and tight fitting bottoms are allowed. It is very important to have ALL of your shoes with you for every class.

### *lost and Found*

All students need to have their name on the inside of all belongings at the end of every 2 months all clothes left for that time will be donated.

**We look forward to a great year ahead and seeing your child grow and develop as a dancer and student during their time this year at SDDS!**

### *2023 - 2024 Calendar*

**August 28th** - First day of classes

**October 31st** - Studio closed for Halloween

**November 1st** - All costume bills are emailed out

**November 20th - November 26th** - Studio Closed for Thanksgiving Break

**December 1st** - All Costume Payments Due

**December 18th - January 1st** - Studio closed for Christmas Break

**March 25th - March 29th** - Studio CLOSED for Spring Break

**May 27th** - Studio CLOSED for Memorial Day.

**June 8th** - Tentative Recital Date

## ***2023 - 2024 Prices***

**45min - \$70.00**

**1 hour - \$80.00**

**1.5 hours - \$120.00**

**2 hours - \$154.00**

**2.5 hours - \$178.00**

**3 hours - \$192.00**

**3.5 hours - \$220.00**

**4 hours - \$234.00**

**4.5 hours - \$250.00**

**5 hours - \$274.00**

**5.5 hours - \$294.00**

**6 hours - \$310.00**

**7 hours - \$364.00**

**Individual Student Unlimited \$394.00**

**1 Hour Additional Family Member \$404.00**

**2 Hour Additional Family Member \$414.00**

**3 Hour Additional Family Member \$424.00**

**4 Hour Additional Family Member \$434.00**

**5 Hour Additional Family Member \$444.00**

**6 Hour Additional Family Member \$454.00**

**7 Hour Additional Family Member \$464.00**

**8 Hour Additional Family Member \$474.00**

**9 Hour Additional Family Member \$484.00**

**Max Out Family \$494.00**

\*\*\* All dates and times are subject to change. Please confirm these dates prior to marking your calendars. Our website will be updated with any changes in the calendar.

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