



## 2022-2023 Mini Dazzlers Contract

- Mini Dazzlers must be age 4 through Kindergarten as of September 1, 2022
- Must sign up for team by September 1, 2022
- Competition season runs February-May
- Rehearsals run September-June

### Required Events

- March in the Wildwood Day Parade on September 24, 2022
- Perform at Cheer For Charity on Sunday, November 13, 2022
- Compete at three regional competitions throughout the spring semester
- Perform in all recital shows in June 2023

In addition to the above events, there are other highly encouraged performance opportunities throughout the year.

### Time Commitment

#### FALL/SPRING REQUIREMENTS

##### **MANDATORY Classes**

- One weekly dance class of Pre-K ballet/tap or Kindercombo (ballet/tap/jazz)
- Thirty-minute weekly team rehearsal class (Saturday mornings Time TBD)
  - All rehearsal videos and information will be posted to the Dazzler Band account.

Students are encouraged to take additional elective classes beyond their required classes to increase technique, help condition, and become a more versatile performer.

### Financial Commitment

**Standard Tuition Fees and \$30 Registration Fee apply for enrollment in required classes.**

**No Monthly Coaching Fee**

#### COMPETITION DANCE CHOREOGRAPHY FEES AND REHEARSAL FEES

- **Group Dance (required)- None**
  - Mini Dazzlers will learn and perform one routine at three local competitions.
  - No Rehearsal or Monthly Coaching Fees
- **Production Number (optional) - \$20**
  - Mini Dazzlers have the option to compete in the production dance with all the Dazzlers (should they choose to participate)
  - Choreography Fee due October 1st
  - Rehearsals are every Saturday a month and \$5 each
- Mini Dazzlers are not required to compete at Nationals, but are welcome to choose to do so as a team.

## **COSTUME FEES – Due October 1, 2022**

- \$80 - \$100 per costume (includes tights)

## **COMPETITION FEES – DUE IN FULL BY FEBRUARY 1, 2023 (50% DUE BY JANUARY 1, 2023)**

- The 2023 Competition Season fees are due by **February 1, 2023**.
  - You will receive your total fees for the season for local competitions by the end of September.
  - You may choose to pay in multiple payments from October 1, 2022 through February 1, 2023.
    - You may also pay fees in full at any time in the fall.
- **50% of the total fees MUST be paid by January 5, 2023. The remaining balance is due by February 5, 2023.**
- Local competition fees range from \$50 - \$75 per routine per competition.
- **Competition Media Fees**
  - Many competitions require mandatory media fees which gives you access to all of the photos and videos from the competition.
  - Fees normally range from \$25 - \$35 per dancer.

## **PERFORMANCE/TEAM UNIFORM** *(used for additional special performances when not using costumes)*

*Your **performance leotard and leggings** will be stored in the DPA costume closet throughout the year. This will help us avoid the “I forgot mine at home” excuse on the day of shows or performances.*

Approximately \$100 - \$150

- Performance leotard
- Black performance leggings
- All appropriate dance shoes (typically tan jazz shoes)
- All appropriate tights
- DPA Team Jacket (optional) - \$100

## **Dress Code**

### **Rehearsal**

- Dancers must wear a black leotard and black leggings.
- Hair must be out of the face and **secured** in a ponytail or bun.

### **Classes**

- Dancers must follow the studio dress code.

## **Technology Use**

All rehearsal videos and information will be posted to the Dazzler Band account. Details on how to join will be emailed out at the beginning of the season.

Always check about posting rehearsal/choreography videos or photos. There is absolutely no cell phone use allowed during rehearsal time (unless otherwise stated by the coach). Cell phones are to stay in bags and/or backpacks until dancers have a significant break.

## **EXPECTATIONS OF THE TEAM**

***(Please read carefully before committing to the team.)***

Staying healthy physically and mentally is essential to the success and growth of every dancer. This includes eating plenty of fruits/veggies, drinking lots of water, conditioning outside of class (i.e. pushups/crunches at home, going to the gym, etc.), and getting plenty of sleep after long days of school and dance. The dancer's

well-being is of the utmost importance to us, and it will be put before anything else.

### **Resigning from Mini Dazzlers after signing contract** (excludes solos)

- Resigning after signing your Dazzlers contract but before the start of fall rehearsals (September 6, 2022) will require full payment of Choreography fees AND a \$50 per dance administrative fee.
- Resigning after the season has begun (September 6, 2022), the dancer (parent/guardian) will be responsible for full payment of the following:
  - All Choreography fees
  - All Competition fees
  - \$50 per dance administrative fee

### **ATTENDANCE**

Conflicts causing absence in class and especially rehearsal must be **submitted in writing** as soon as possible, with a **MINIMUM** of two weeks' notice—this includes school events, dentist/doctor appointments, etc.

Your rehearsals are planned throughout the year, so any known conflicts need to be submitted at the beginning of the season. Of course, illnesses or injuries leading to last-minute appointments or staying home from school will not count as unexcused absences. Please email Miss Debbie (dpa.debbie@gmail.com) as soon as you know your dancer will not be attending class or rehearsal. Sending an email the day of rehearsal saying that a dancer will be missing class or rehearsal is not acceptable unless that dancer is sick or injured.

**NO DANCER** is allowed to miss the week of a competition unless they have to miss for a school event that is part of a grade or they have a serious contagious illness.

### **\*\*UNEXCUSED ABSENCES\*\***

**ANY UNEXCUSED** absences from *rehearsals* may require the dancer to set up a private lesson in order to catch up on missed choreography.

More than **two** missed *technique classes* in a month will require the dancer to make up that class at a different time in the week (free of charge).

**THREE unexcused** absences in rehearsal will result in termination from the team, no exceptions.

Communication is paramount. **AGAIN—Last minute phone calls or emails will not be accepted as excused absences unless it is an emergency.**

### **\*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\***

**Outside sports do not count** as excused absences from rehearsal time. This team is your first commitment. Missing more than 2 – 3 rehearsals in the year due to practices, games, meets, etc. will not be acceptable. **PLEASE** ensure your school coaches understand this if you are planning to participate in other sports. If a technique class interferes with a practice time after school, the dancer **MUST** make up for it with another technique class that week. Missing technique is detrimental to growth and safety.

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