

We are looking for some NEW dancers, as young as 3, to join our dance teams!

Does your child dance around the house performing all the time? Is your child at least 4 years old? Have we got a program for you! We have designed 8 different teams, starting with our itty bitty 3 year olds, created for the dancer that loves to perform. **No experience necessary!**

Ages 3-9: For our youngest teams, there is no experience necessary. We are just looking for dancers who can follow directions, love to perform and love to dance. If your child is able to pay attention in a regular dance lesson, then dance team will be a breeze. We try to keep the commitment to a minimum for our little ones and focus on having fun and building self confidence with great performance opportunities.

Ages 10-up: If you love to perform and love dancing, you will love dance team! For our older teams, we do require dancers to currently be at an intermediate to advanced class level. Please ask your teacher if team is something you're ready for! For our top middle school/high school teams, the commitment level is equal to the commitment for most junior high and high school sports.

COMMITMENT:

Our youngest dancers 3 teams are required to take 1-2 classes per week. The other teams are required to take 3-5 hours of classes per week. Our top middle school and high school dance teams require 5-7 hours per week. Team dancers perform 1-2 times a month Nov-May. Monthly tuition starts at \$50 for our youngest dance team, this includes all required classes. -Dance team members also attend our fun Dance Camp August 6-10 and attend 2 competitions in the spring. (one local and one in Fargo)

GUIDELINES:

The attached Dance team guidelines will explain everything you need to know about dance team. We will also be holding an informational meeting for anybody that would like to learn a little more about what dance team is all about! Join us Tuesday, May 1st at 6:30pm at the studio!

AUDITIONS:

Our audition process is stress-free and fun! Auditions will be held at the Let's Dance on Saturday, May 12th. An early audition for dancers unable to attend the May 12th audition will be held Thursday, May 10^h at 7:30pm (workshop required for those attending early try-outs)

Itty Bitty, Dazzlers (4-8) 10am

Dance-nationals, Dance Connection 7-12) 11am

Showstoppers, Ovations, Dream Teens (8-up) 12pm

Senior (12-up) 1pm

Our goal is not to reject anyone. Dancers perform a fun routine in groups, and based on that we place them in the team that fits them best. Our dance teachers or office staffs are the best ones to ask if you are not sure! We don't want anyone disappointed! With all of our teams, we are sure to find a spot for every young dancer and most of our older dancers! If you would like to try team, please sign up on the dance team audition sign up sheet in the lobby.

The Dance team guidelines must be read by and signed by both the parent and dancer, stating each has read them.
Please read through the guidelines and bring this form to auditions.

DANCE TEAM AUDITION FORM

Dancer's Name: _____ Age _____ Grade in Sept _____

Birthdate _____ Dancer's Parents Names: _____

Home Address: _____ City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone 1: _____ mom or dad

Work Phone 2: _____ mom or dad Cell Phone 1: _____ mom or dad

Cell Phone 2: _____ mom or dad Student's Cell Phone: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ AGAIN TO CONFIRM: _____

Please give an email address that is most frequently used.

Parents: Do you frequently check your email? YES or NO * Much of our information is distributed via email.

Dancer: Is there a team or teams you will not accept to be on and you would rather we leave your name off the list even if that is the only team you were chosen for? _____ which team would you prefer to be on? _____

Parent or Guardian: Please read each rule or requirement listed below and initial after each one stating you understand our rules and requirements for the Dance Team 2018-2019 season.

1. I understand team members are required to attend competition. _____
2. **I understand team members must attend extra practices. Mark your calendars for the 2 weekends before Competition, and both Productions.** _____
3. I understand team members are required to attend Dance Camp Aug 6-10. _____
4. I understand there will be no pro-rating or discounts for classes missed. Students may attend another class for a make-up class and parents should always remember the extra practices dancers attend, free of charge. _____
5. I understand team members who miss the team class or extra practice before a performance will not be ready to perform and cannot perform unless approved by team teacher. _____
6. I understand throughout the school year, team members cannot miss more than 10 team classes, or they will be dismissed from the team. _____
7. I understand team members or parents cannot represent another dance studio or dance organization as it is a conflict of interest and is also a rule at most competitions. _____
8. I understand all team members must purchase the official team jackets. _____
9. I am aware some venues the teams perform at require parents to pay admission to watch. _____
10. I understand Senior Company members who miss more than two ballet classes a month will not be able to perform until classes are made up. _____

I have read and understand the dance team guidelines for 2018-2019 Season.

Parent Signature _____ Dancer Signature _____ Date: _____

LET'S DANCE STUDIO'S DANCE TEAM GUIDELINES 2018-2019

DANCE TEAMS

Dance teams are dance groups who perform themed routines for public entertainment and compete at dance competitions. Dancers learn responsibility, teamwork, and stage presence. The dance teams perform 1-2 times a month at conventions, half times, parties, galas, events and more!

Itty Bitties (minimum age:3)

Dazzlers (minimum age: 4)

Dance-sationals (minimum age: 5)

Dance Connection (minimum age: 7)

Showstoppers (minimum age:8)

Ovations (minimum age:8)

Dream Teens (minimum age:10)

Senior Company (minimum age:12)

DANCE TEAM CAMP-REQUIRED- AUGUST 6-10

To help prepare our dance teams for the new season we have put together a fun dance camp Aug 6-10 at Let's Dance. Dance team dancers have said this is their favorite part of team! The kids really have a blast! The tuition is \$130 for ½ day camp and \$275 for the Intensive Camp. ****Camp is mandatory, so mark your calendars!**

Itty Bitties/Dazzlers/Dance-sationals (Aug 7-10) Half Day Camp/\$130

Connection/Showstoppers /Ovations/Teen/ Senior (Aug 6-10): Intensive Camp/\$275

WEEKLY CLASS REQUIREMENTS (June 4, 2018-June 1, 2019)

The classes we focus on for team are listed under the team name on the schedule. You do not need to sign up for anything in addition to your team classes. Within the scheduled times you will receive the following training.

Itty Bitties: Jazz/Ballet, Team

Dazzlers: Two Team, Jazz/ballet

Dance-sationals: Two Team, Jazz/ballet, ballet

Dance Connection: Two Team, Jazz, Ballet, Conditioning

Showstoppers/ Ovations/Teen Company: Two Company Classes, One Jazz, Two Ballet Classes, Conditioning

Senior Company: Two Company Classes, One Jazz, Unlimited Ballet Classes (minimum of 2 required), Conditioning

MONTHLY TUITION -includes all of the required classes for your team. (listed above)

Annual registration fee of \$40.00-due upon accepting your team position, no other registration fees are due for the year.

Itty Bitties

\$50 per month

Showstoppers Monthly Tuition:

\$150 per month

Dazzlers Monthly Tuition:

\$100 per month

Ovations Monthly Tuition:

\$150 per month

Dance-sationals Monthly Tuition:

\$110 per month

Teen Co. Monthly Tuition:

\$160 per month

Dance Connection Monthly Tuition:

\$120 per month

Senior Co. Monthly Tuition:

\$175 per month

*Team members may take extra classes for a discounted rate of \$25 for the first extra class and \$15 for every class after that/per month.

Unlimited classes \$250.00 per month

PRACTICE POLICIES

To keep the routines looking good and stress free, dancers need to attend their required classes and performances regularly. It is understood that we will not get a perfect attendance in the summer months due to vacations but ask that dancers try and attend as many classes as possible. There are no refunds for missed classes, but you may make up a class by attending additional ballet classes. Besides the scheduled weekly classes, we will be having extra practices to prepare for upcoming performances. We usually have extra practices right before we perform a dance for the first time and before big events like State Football Game. **An extra practice before a performance must be attended or the dancer will not be prepared for the performance and cannot perform.**

COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS

The best part of the year is when the dance teams get to show off their talents at the annual competitions. This is such a wonderful experience and great confidence booster for all dancers. The competition is all about making everyone feel a winner and a lesson in teamwork! Dance teams compete at 1-3 local competitions a year. Fees for competition are approx \$45.00 per dancer, per routine. Competition must be attended by all team members. Our competitions are usually announced by June, but have generally been the 3rd or last week of April and first week of May.

PERFORMANCES

Teams perform at many different events throughout the year. The performances look the best when all dancers are in attendance. When dancers are absent, teachers must take extra time to redo formations and music counts which can be stressful on the other dancers. Dancers should attend performances regularly. Reminder you must attend the practice before a performance to be able to perform.

COSTUMES

Costumes fees are \$95.00 each. (Senior may have additional fees depending on costumes and accessories.) Each team will have 2 costumes this year. Senior Company will have 3. Due in June and July. These costumes are purchased by you and are yours to keep. Please note: Occasionally there are additional fees for props/accessories for a routine for regular teams.

AUDITION RESULTS

The results will be posted on our site www.letsdancestudio.com by Sunday, May 13th. Dancers who make the team MUST email letsdance@midconetwork.com by Tues, 15th and accept their spot on the team. If a dancer does not accept their spot by the end of Tues, May 15th, the dancer will be taken off the list and the next dancer on the list will be added to the team and notified. If you have concerns about your child's placement, please do not hesitate to call. Jenny will be open to visiting with anyone who needs clarification.

Upon your team acceptance, you must complete the following tasks to be sure you receive your information throughout the year.

- Text @ldsteams to 81010 to sign up for Text alerts
- When you receive an email invite for Team Snap sign up right away (this is how you will receive your schedule throughout the year)
- Find Let's Dance Dance Team Family on Facebook and request to be in the group (a lot of important information is posted on Facebook page)

PAYMENT SCHEDULE 2018-2019

Due upon team acceptance

- May 15th Registration Fee \$40
 Camp Deposit
\$60 ½ day/125 Intensive

Summer Session

- May 25th June Tuition (refer to monthly tuition)
 Order Team Jackets \$65
 First Team Costume \$95.00

June 25th July Tuition

- Summer Production Costume Rental Fee**
\$25 x _____ Classes = _____
 2nd Team Costume \$95
 Performing Shoe Order

July 25th August Tuition

- Dance Camp Remaining Balance
\$70 ½ day/150 Intensive

Fall/Winter Session

Aug 25th September Tuition

Sept 25th October Tuition

- Xmas Production Costume Rental Fee
\$25 x _____ Classes = _____
 Senior Third Team Costume \$95
***Reserved tickets for production go on sale**

Oct 25th November Tuition Fees

- 1st Competition Fees Due**
(Senior and select dancers only)
 Senior Co Fourth Team Costume \$95

Nov 25th Dec Tuition

- Christmas Production Class pictures

Dec 26th January Tuition

- 2nd Competition Fees Due (All Teams)**

Jan 25th February Tuition

- Spring Production Costume Rental Fee
\$25 x _____ Classes = _____
***Reserved tickets for production go on sale**

Feb 25th March Tuition

- 3rd Competition Fees Due (All Teams)**

Mar 25th April Tuition

Apr 25th May Tuition

- Spring Production Class pictures

DANCE TEAM AUDITION WORKSHOPS

We have two different workshops available to help you with your dance team audition.
Skills workshop and Choreography workshop

Code SKILLS WORKSHOP -focus on learning the specific skills needed for your try out routine.

- 1 Tuesday, May 1st Itty Bitties/Dazzlers 7:15-8:00
Dance-sationals/Connection 7:15-8:00
Showstoppers/Ovations/Teen-8:00-8:45
Senior 8:00-8:45
- 2 Friday, May 4th Itty Bitties/Dazzlers 5:00-5:45
Dance-sationals/Connection 5:00-5:45
Showstoppers/Ovations/Teen-5:45-6:30
Senior-5:45-6:30

Code CHOREOGRAPHY WORKSHOP-learn the Choreography that you will perform for auditions.

- 3 Tuesday, May 8th Itty Bitties/Dazzlers 7:15-8:00
Dance-sationals/Connection 7:15-8:00
Showstoppers/Ovations/Teen-8:00-8:45
Senior 8:00-8:45
- 4 Friday, May 11th Itty Bitties/Dazzlers 5:00-5:45
Dance-sationals/Connection 5:00-5:45
Showstoppers/Ovations/Teen-5:45-6:30
Senior-5:45-6:30

Dance Team Tryouts Saturday, May 12th

10am-Itty Bitties/Dazzlers/

11am- Dance-sationals/Connection

12pm-Showstoppers/Ovations/Dream Teens

1pm-Senior

Early Tryout Thursday, May 10th 7:30 (must take a choreo workshop to attend early tryouts)

NAME _____ AGE _____ PHONE# _____

Team auditioning for _____

Sign Me Up for Workshop(s) # _____, # _____, # _____, # _____

TOTAL WORKSHOPS _____ X \$25.00 = _____ DUE WITH REGISTRATION