



**PREMIERE DANCE COMPANY**

# CLASS RECOMMENDATIONS

The PDC staff has done an incredible job preparing thoughtful evaluations and recommendations for each student net year. We are dedicated to helping all of our students be successful, reach their goals, and ensure that they get the most out of their dance journey. It has been an amazing year of growth and progress for our students so far. We could not be more proud of their accomplishments!

## STAY TUNED FOR . . .

- 2025-2026 Class Recommendations: Coming soon!
- 2024-2025 Enrollment Opens: Wednesday, May 21st @ 8:00 p.m. - Enroll for next year!
- Fall Season Deposit: June 1st - First month's tuition due to reserve your spot!

## DANCE PATHWAY OPTIONS



**2-4 Year  
Olds**

**5+ Year  
Olds**

**8+ Year  
Olds**

**12+ Year  
Olds**

**Low  
Commitment**

**TAKE 1 OR MORE CLASSES**

**Private  
Instruction**

**ADD PRIVATE INSTRUCTION IN ADDITION TO  
REGULAR CLASS(ES)**

**Community  
Performances**

**ADD COMPETITION TEAM IN ADDITION  
TO REGULAR CLASS(ES). REQUIREMENTS  
INCLUDE A WEEKLY REHEARSAL**

**Serious  
Commitment**

**TAKE 3 OR MORE  
CLASSES PER WEEK**

# Quick Reference Dance Genres

## BALLET

Ballet is the basic foundation of all dance. It develops discipline and technique that is essential to all forms of dance, as well as proper posture, placement, alignment.

## TAP

Tap develops a strong sense of rhythm, coordination and agility by creating rhythmic sounds with the feet. Emphasis is placed on developing proper technique and learning challenging combinations.

## JAZZ

Jazz is rhythmic stylized dancing that is energetic and fun. It focuses on rhythms, leaps and turns. Emphasis is placed on developing proper technique, flexibility, placement and alignment.

## LYRICAL

Lyrical combines the technical elements of dance with deep personal feelings and emotions. It tells a story through fluid and smooth movement. Emphasis is placed on alignment, performance skills and expression.

## ACRO

Acrobatics focuses on tumbling, cartwheels, bridges, and walkovers. Acrobatics will develop flexibility and strength. Emphasis will be placed on strength, balance, agility, coordination and flexibility.

## HIP HOP

Hip Hop is a freestyle form of dance that stems from the roots of jazz, but incorporates modern urban movements and is performed to modern music. Choreography and music is age appropriate.

## JUMPS & TURNS

Jumps & Turns will work to improve specific skills used in Jazz and Pom genres. Skills will include leaps, turns and jumps. Emphasis will be placed on strength, flexibility and consistency with learned skills.

## TECHNIQUE

Technique is a great class to work on creating the best foundation for dance. Class specifically focuses on correct alignment and placement of the body as well as strengthening exercises for the whole body.

# FAQ

## HOW WILL I KNOW MY CHILD'S RECOMMENDATIONS?

All dancers will receive their class recommendations via Studio Director in May. We encourage you to keep your recommendations personal and discuss with your child privately, rather than in front of students and friends.

## WHAT LEVEL SHOULD I PICK FOR SUMMER CLASSES?

Summer is a time to maintain and reinforce your dancer's current skills. A lot of progress can be made over the summer months with consistent classes and/or private lessons. Choose the classes that best fit your dancer's age range.

## MY CHILD WAS AT THE SAME LEVEL LAST YEAR,

### WHY ARE THEY DOING IT AGAIN?

We base our curriculum off leading industry programs and standards. Our programs are designed for children to take a minimum of two years at the same level. Sometimes it will take students a few years to perfect the skills needed to move to the next levels, which is perfectly normal. Each child progresses differently, and it is our goal to guide each one of them to success.

## IT'S BEEN TWO YEARS, WHY DIDN'T MY STUDENT MOVE UP?

We base our advancement decisions on a variety of things. This includes attendance, work ethic, coordination, strength, flexibility, maturity and how well they can apply corrections and instruction given by the teacher. These are all things that will naturally vary from child to child, and students will advance at various paces.

## BUT NOW THEY WON'T BE WITH THEIR FRIENDS, CAN'T YOU KEEP THEM TOGETHER?

The decisions are based on the level of the individual dancer's ability. We look at each individual dancer and make the best decision to set them up for future success in their dance classes. The best thing to do is to emphasize the joy of dancing and minimize the attention on levels. This is very important to begin doing at the earliest ages. Some children are going to advance more quickly than others, and this is normal. Please encourage them to celebrate their progress and not compare themselves with other dancers.

## WHAT IF MY CHILD WANTS TO BEGIN A DANCE STYLE THEY HAVE NEVER DONE BEFORE?

We encourage students to try other dance styles. You are welcome to take a free trial class in that style before making a commitment. Let us know, and we will recommend the best level for your child. However, it is important to continue core classes like ballet and jazz to continue your child's foundation in technique and training.

## WHAT IF I'M QUESTIONING MY CHILD'S PLACEMENT?

First, it is important that you trust us to make the correct decision for your child, as we are always looking out for their best interest. Our teachers have years of experience, and are trained to help your dancer best succeed. You are welcome to send an email or set up a meeting with the director if you have questions. Any changes that need to be made to level placements will be made after we see all students in class during the first few weeks of the fall season. If a level change is appropriate, you will be the first to be notified.

## DID YOU KNOW?

PDC has private dance lessons available for select ages and a variety of genres! Private lessons are a great way for your dancer to work on their individual growth, skills, artistry and technique. Schedule your one-on-one lesson today!

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