## Cathy Kurth Dance Academy 2023-2024

Below is a list of all expenses you will incur while at CKDA. Please read all information carefully. If you have any questions or concerns, please email us at <a href="mailto:lexickda@gmail.com">lexickda@gmail.com</a>.

There is a \$50 non-refundable Registration Fee (+ \$5 for each additional child) due at registration.

Parents enrolling in "autopay" through the parent portal will have fees incurred for this transaction waived.

{There is a \$10 Late Fee added to all tuition that is 30 days past due}

Tuition is the same each month whether the class meets two, three or even five times. Tuition is charged based on the following scale and is due the first of each month.

1/2 hour class is \$35, 3/4 hr class is \$45, 1<sup>st</sup> full hour of instruction is \$50 2<sup>nd</sup> hour adds \$35 and 3<sup>rd</sup> hour or more adds \$25 per hour. \*\*Additional children receive 25% off

Classes will begin **Tuesday**, **September 5**, **2023**. We follow the same calendar as the Calcasieu Parish Schools for Thanksgiving, Christmas, Mardi Gras and Easter. We **do not** take off any other school holidays or teacher in-service days. The only holidays we are closed for are: Thanksgiving (Nov 20-24), Christmas (Dec 20-Jan3), Mardi Gras (Feb 12- Feb 14), Easter/Spring Break (March 29- April 5).

Costumes are required for our annual dance recital. The costume prices are as follows:

PreK/Kinder	Tap/Jazz/HipHop/Contemporary/Lyrical	Ballet/Pointe	Acro 2-6
\$71.63	\$77.14	\$86.65	\$71.63

\*\*\*Costumes must be paid in 4 equal installments that will be added to tuition September – December. Costumes must be paid in full by December 10, 2023 for us to order your child's costumes. Please note that costume fees already include tax. The state requires us to charge sales tax on costumes.

There is a \$50 Recital Fee (+ \$10 for additional children) due with April's tuition.

All fees and tuition are non-refundable. Should your child wish to drop a class, notify the studio AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. If we are not notified that your child is dropping before tuition is posted you are responsible for that month. Costumes are custom ordered and cannot be returned. Once costumes are ordered, you are responsible for them. There is a \$10 late fee on accounts more than 30 days past due. There is a \$25 NSF fee charged on all returned checks.

Our 37<sup>th</sup> annual recital and MANDATORY dress rehearsals will be the weekend of June 7-9, 2024 at the Rosa Hart Civic Center. Recital week will be June 3-9, 2024. During this time we will have stage rehearsals that we strongly encourage everyone to attend. We will have a Kinder Performance (PreK / Kinder, Level 1 dancers) as well as a Gala Performance (Level 2 and up). *PreK Acro, and Level 1 Acro Classes do not perform in the recital.* 

From September - March dancers with excessive absences may be asked to take private lessons in order to continue in their classes. Beginning in April dancers missing more than three classes in the same class (April - June) will be taken out of formations and those missing 3 consecutive classes in the same class will result in dancer not being allowed to participate in the show. Attendance is extremely important as we near recital - there is partner work, formations and lifts that cannot happen without all of the dancers there.

We are not responsible for classes cancelled due to "acts of God" such as flooding, dangerous icy conditions, illnesses, etc.

**Auto Pay** – You can enroll for auto pay easily through your parent portal. We will draft your payment between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of the month. ONLY TUITION will be drafted. All costume fees, recital fees, registration fees, etc must be taken care of independently by you- either online through your parent portal or in the office. We **WILL NOT** auto draft costume fees or recital fees.

# Cathy Kurth Dance Academy 2023-2024 "What Do I Need?"

**PreK & Kinder Classes:** They will need pink ballet shoes, black tap shoes (no ties – elastic or Velcro only), and a dance bag. They will wear their pink ballet shoes for jazz as well as ballet. They can wear a black leotard with a skirt or shorts over it. Put their names in everything!!

All dancers are required to wear a black leotard to all classes. Bikers are allowed in acrobatics classes. Bikers or jazz pants are allowed in jazz and tap classes. Ballet students need pink tights. No skirts, pants or shorts in ballet classes. \*\*Any black leotard and / or anything purchased in our shop is allowed in dance class as long as it meets the above-mentioned qualifications.\*\*

Dancers need a dance bag for their belongings. Please put your child's name in all belongings, including leotards, shoes, bags, etc. We are not responsible for items left at the studio, lost or stolen. \*\*Please exercise caution when allowing your child to bring jewelry or electronic devices (phones, ipods, etc).

## **Required Footwear:**

\*\*\*\*Please note that the color shoe needed for recital may change once costumes are picked\*\*\*\*

Acrobatics: Black leotard and biker shorts. No loose clothing or jewelry. No shoes or socks are needed.

Level 1 – 3 Tap: Tan "mary jane" tap shoes. If your child already has black tap shoes they can wear those for class but for recital will need the tan mary jane shoes. No ties allowed!

JH & HS Tap students may wear the black tap oxford or black slip-on tap shoes.

Jazz 1<sup>st</sup> Grade & Up: Black jazz oxfords.

**Hip Hop:** Black Jazz oxfords or black sneakers that are only used for dance class (to protect our floors). **Lyrical & Contemporary:** Half soles or bare feet (check with teacher)

Ballet: Pink ballet shoes with pink elastic sewn across instep.

**Pointe:** Pink pointe shoes. Students must be 11 years of age or older and have teacher's permission to take pointe.

#### **Special Instructions:**

No baggy t-shirts, shorts or sweatpants are allowed in any dance or acro class (except as denoted above).

Leotard/appropriate dancewear is mandatory for all dance/acro classes and may be worn only as denoted above. In order to ensure that your child get the most out of each class, please see that he/she comes to class properly prepared and dressed appropriately.

**Hair**: Please keep hair out of child's face. Hair should be secured away from face and worn in such a way as not to impede your child or others. For acro, it is recommended that hair not be worn directly on top of the head, as this tends to hinder the child during rolls, headstands, etc.

**Perfect Attendance**: Trophies are awarded to students who have "perfect" attendance at the end of the year. To receive this award students *must not miss any classes* and must be enrolled for at least 6 of the 91/2 months of classes.

Contact Information: Please be certain that your contact information (address, email and all phone numbers) is always kept current. We will communicate with you via email, and must have correct contact info in order to ensure that you receive all pertinent information. It is your responsibility to keep informed.

\*Snacks and drinks are allowed only in our waiting area. No gum is allowed at the studio at all. Always be respectful of other dancers, our facility, our teachers and staff\*

## **IMPORTANT CLASS INFO FOR 2023-2024**

#### **LEVEL INFO:**

Level 1: 1st & 2nd graders Level 2: 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> graders Level 3: 4th & 5th graders Level 4: 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grader Level 4.5: 7th & 8th graders Level 5: 9th & 10th graders Level 6/7: 11th & 12th graders

**PreK/Kinder Classes:** Our preschool and Kindergarten classes are both hour long classes and are combo classes. PreK will do tap/ballet/acro and kinder will do tap/ballet/jazz. Each class will have one costume fee. PreK will do both a tap and ballet dance in the recital. PreK acro does not perform in the recital. Kinder will do a tap, ballet, and jazz dance in the recital. Children in kindergarten also have the option of enrolling in our Acro 1 classes.

**Level 1 Jazz/Ballet Classes:** Our level 1 Jazz and Ballet classes are combined and will only do one dance in the recital, this also means there will only be one costume fee for that class. They will still be learning the skills and technique needed for both styles of dance. We feel that by only working one dance to perfect for the recital, this will allow us to work on more of the skills that are needed in both ballet and jazz.

**Pointe Classes**: Only dancers with teacher permission may enroll in pointe. To begin pointe class you must be at least 11 years old. You must also take ballet in addition to pointe. Pointe will have its own costume fee. You cannot only take pointe. Please check with your child's ballet teacher if you would like to enroll in pointe classes.

### \*Acrobatic Classes:

- Level 1 Beginner cannot do standup backbend (no costume no recital performance)
- Level 2 Can do standup backbend unassisted and strong cartwheel
- Level 3 Can do standup backbend, strong cartwheel, properly execute front limber and backbend kickover
- Level 4 Can do all of level 3 requirements plus properly execute back and front walkovers
- Level 5-6 Can properly execute standing back handspring, running side aerial, and round off with at least a single back handspring.

Registration for returning students is June 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am Registration for new students is July 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00am

To register visit www.ckda.com