

Cathy Kurth Dance Academy 2024-2025

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 LexiCKDA@gmail.com.

There is a **\$50 non-refundable Registration Fee** (+ \$10 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 st full hour of instruction is \$50 2 nd hour adds \$35 and 3 rd hour or more adds \$25 per hour. **Additional children receive 25% off

Classes will begin **Monday, September 9, 2024**. We follow the same calendar as the Calcasieu Parish Schools for Thanksgiving, Christmas, Mardi Gras and Easter. We will not have afternoon classes on Halloween (10/31/24). We **do not** take off any other school holidays or teacher in-service days. The only holidays we are closed for are: afternoon of Halloween (10/31/24), Thanksgiving (Nov 25-29), Christmas (Dec 23-Jan 6), Mardi Gras (Mar 3- Mar 5), Easter/Spring Break (April 18- April 25).

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, 2024 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 38th annual recital and MANDATORY dress rehearsals are typically the second weekend of June at the Rosa Hart Civic Center. Recital week will be the week before and it is very important that your child is present during this time. During this time we will have stage rehearsals that we strongly encourage everyone to attend. We will have a Kinder Performance (PreK / Kinder, 1-2 grade classes & Acro 2) as well as a Gala Performance (3rd grade classes and up/ Acro 3 & 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 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 in attendance.

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

Auto Pay – You can enroll for auto pay easily through your parent portal. We will draft your payment between the 1st and 5th 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 2024-2025 “What Do I Need?”

PreK & Kinder Classes: They will need pink ballet shoes, black tap shoes (NO ties – ONLY elastic or Velcro), 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.

1st – 5th Grade Tap: Tan "mary jane" tap shoes. **No ties allowed!**

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

Jazz 1st 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.

Attendance: Attendance is of the utmost importance for *any* participant in *any* activity. Children missing excessively fall behind quickly and become frustrated and disheartened. Excessive absences are unfair to your child and the other children in the class. ***Children missing and falling behind as recital nears may not be allowed to participate in the recital*** without receiving private lessons. Private lessons range in cost from \$50 to \$75 per hour and are the sole responsibility of the parent. ***We reserve the right to move your child to a lower level class if poor attendance is causing her/him to fall behind.*** If your child has 3 or more absences for the same class from April 1st - June 8th, they will not be able to perform that number in the recital without private lessons from their teacher. If your child misses 3 times consecutively during this time they will be removed from the number. It is of the utmost importance that your child attends classes in the months prior to recital.

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 9 1/2 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.**

<p>*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*</p>

IMPORTANT CLASS INFO FOR 2024-2025

PreK/Kinder Classes: Our preschool and Kindergarten classes are both hour long classes and are combo classes. PreK will do tap/ballet/acro during class time, but will perform one dance (either tap or ballet) in recital which will be up to the teachers discretion. Kinder will do tap/ballet/jazz during class but will perform one dance in the recital which will be up to the teachers discretion. Each class will have one costume fee. Children in kindergarten also have the option of enrolling in our Acro 1 classes.

1-2 Jazz/Ballet Classes: Our 1st-2nd grade 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 29th at 10:00am

Registration for new students is July 6th at 10:00am

To register visit www.CKDA.com