

PREMIERE / DANCE
PROJECT

Performance Team Handbook
2022-2023

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INTRODUCTION

Dancers and Families - welcome to our 2022-2023 performance season. We are happy to have you as a member of the Premiere Performance Team! This is a great program for dancers who are looking for multiple performance opportunities throughout the year. This experience will build confidence, create friendships, and promote community engagement. Please familiarize yourself with this handbook. Kiersten & Amanda are always available for questions or concerns.

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We are looking forward to an incredible season! We cannot wait to see all of the Performance Team members' growth throughout the season.

REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2022-2023 Premiere Performance Team begins on Monday, May 2nd, 2022 and ends on Monday, August 8th, 2022. Registration will take place online through your parent portal.

- Pearl Team - Dancers between the ages of 4-7 years on August 8th.
- Diamond Team - Dancers between the ages of 8-12 years on August 8th.

COMMITMENT

The Premiere Performance Team requires dedication from all of its members. Members of the Performance Team are held to a higher standard. All members must be willing to commit to a weekly ballet class, jazz class, hip hop, and acro class and a bi-weekly 45 minute rehearsal. In addition, Performance Team members must be able to attend all performances during the year. If a dancer must withdraw from the Performance Team, the financial obligation will be handled on a situational basis at the discretion of the studio owners.

ATTENDANCE

The attendance of Premiere's Team Members members is crucial to the growth of the team as a whole. Dancers must be attending weekly classes on a regular basis. In addition, team members are allowed 3 rehearsal absences throughout the year. When a dancer misses more than 3 absences, he or she is required to set up private lessons with Kiersten to review missed rehearsal information.

REQUIRED CLASSES

Rehearsals - Bi-weekly rehearsals will begin September 11th, 2022.

- Pearl Team Rehearsal - every other Sunday from 2:00-2:45p
- Diamond Team Rehearsal - every other Sunday from 2:45-3:30p

Weekly Technique Classes - Weekly class levels will be determined during yearly evaluations.

- Introductory Level (KinderCombo & Intermediate Progression)
 - 1 Introductory Class (Ballet & Tap Combo) / Week
 - 1 Introductory Hip Hop Class / Week
 - 1 Introductory Acro Class / Week
- Level I-IV:
 - 1 Ballet Technique Class / Week
 - 1 Jazz Class / Week
 - 1 Hip Hop Class / Week
 - 1 Acro Class / Week

Summer Camps / Classes- All Performance Team members are required to attend at least one summer camp or class. (This does not include summer Drop-In Classes.)

Welcome Day / Parade Choreography (8/20)- All Performance Team members are required to attend the Welcome Day / Parade Choreography. This will take place on Saturday, August 20th from 1:00-3:30p.

Routine Choreography (10/2)- All Performance Team members are required to attend the Routine Choreography Weekend. This will take place on Sunday, October 2nd following the conclusion of the Waukee Homecoming Parade (Pearl Team - 12:00-1:30p / Diamond Team - 1:30-3:00p).

PERFORMANCE TEAM ATTIRE

Weekly Technique Classes

Dancers will be expected to follow the Premiere Dance Project dress code for weekly classes.

Rehearsals

Dancers will be expected to wear **all black, form-fitting dance wear** to rehearsals. This can include: leotards, booty shorts, bra tops, tank tops, and leggings. This dress code gives dancers a clean, uniform appearance that is ideal for the instructor when cleaning and working with choreography.

Performances

Dancers will be expected to wear Performance Team apparel and appropriate costume to each performance. Performance Team Hair & Makeup will be at the discretion of the instructor and will be announced in January.

PERFORMANCES

Waukee Homecoming Parade | September 29th, 2022

Dancers will perform the Parade Choreography during the Waukee Homecoming Parade.

Premiere Showcase | January 21st, 2023

Dancers will perform the Routine Choreography during the annual Premiere Showcase held in January.

Sporting Event Halftime (x2) | TBD

Dancers will perform the Routine Choreography during the pre-show of an Iowa Wolves and Wild game between the months of November - April.

Recital | June 2023 - Date TBD

Dancers will perform the Routine Choreography during Premiere's annual recital held in June.

Other performance opportunities will become available throughout the season. These performance opportunities will not be mandatory. We will communicate all opportunities as soon as possible. Extra performances will not affect your "Performance Fee".

COMMUNICATION PROCEDURES

- **Email:** All major communications will be sent & received via email.
- **App:** Reminders and quick communications will be sent via the GroupMe app. Parents are welcome to utilize this platform to ask questions and communicate with other members. App information will be sent out at the start of the season.
- **Google Calendar:** All important dates will be listed on the Performance Team Google Calendar. Google Calendar information will be sent out at the beginning of the season.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION / PRICING

1. Performance Team Tuition | \$350 / year
 - The tuition for the Premiere Performance Team is separate from your regular class tuition and is taxable.
 - There are no family/unlimited discounts on Performance Team tuition.
2. Choreography Fee | \$125 / year
3. Additional Fees
 - a. **Registration Fee** | A \$50 registration fee will be required to reserve your dancer's spot on the Performance Team.
 - b. **Costume Fee** | \$110 / costume

- i. Shoe Requirements will be announced when the costume is finalized.
 - ii. Tights may be required after costume choice has been finalized.
- c. **Performance Fee** | \$140
- i. \$35 / performance (excluding recital - covered in recital fee).
- d. **Team Apparel** | \$100
- i. ¼ zip sweatshirt - includes dancer's name and logo
 - ii. Parade T-Shirt

Yearly Financial Obligations: After joining the Premiere Performance Team, dancers and families will need to fill out a financial agreement to review all charges. The sum of Performance Team tuition, choreography, costumes, performance fees, performance and team apparel are added together for a grand total. 25% of this total will be due on Tuesday, August 9th. The remaining balance is then divided into 10 equal payments charged on the 15th of each month from September to June.

EXPENSES / FEES | *Based on 1 dancer.*

Performance Team Tuition	\$350
Choreography Fee	\$125
Costume Fee	\$100
Performance Fee	\$140
Team Apparel	\$100

TOTAL FOR YEAR	\$815 (\$872.05 w/ tax)
25% by August 9th	\$203.75 (\$218.01 w/ tax)
Balance for year	\$611.25 (\$654.04 w/ tax)
Monthly Payments (Sept. - June)	\$61.13 (\$65.40 w/ tax)

Your 25% deposit will be charged on Tuesday, August 9th & due by Friday, August 12th. Equal payments on the remaining balance will be made on the 15th of each month from September - June.

CODE OF CONDUCT

Premiere Dance Project holds Performance Team members to high moral standards. At classes, rehearsals, and performances, dancers should respect all team members and instructors. At performances or outside events Premiere dancers should respect all facilities and people in attendance. This includes cleaning up in dressing rooms and auditoriums at all venues. A breach in any of the rules outlined above could result in disciplinary action or removal from the Premiere Performance Team entirely.

Any and all circumstances not discussed in the handbook will be handled at the discretion of the studio owners.