

**2022/2023**

# **Gallo Dance Studio**

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## **Recital Session Information**



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# WELCOME TO GALLO DANCE STUDIO

We are so happy that you have chosen to dance with us at Gallo Dance Studio!

We take our instruction very seriously, but we focus on providing a fun environment for our students to learn and love dance!

We want to give you as much information about our program as possible! This packet contains information about our fees, class policies, tuition, etc.

Please make sure that you read over this packet, even if you have danced with us in the past.

Keep this for any questions you may have about important dates and recital information!

We will be glad to go over the information and answer any questions you have about unclear information.



## Instructors:

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## Office Manager:

Tracy McDade

# IMPORTANT DATES & CLOSURES



## **Mandatory Dress Rehearsal**

In Studio May 29th - June 1st  
during normal class times

## **Annual Dance Recital**

Saturday, June 3rd, 2023

*Times and location of our  
Annual Recital are TBD.*



## **Labor Day**

Monday, September 5th, 2022

## **Studio Closed**

October 3rd - 6th, 2022

## **Halloween**

Monday, October 31st, 2022

## **Thanksgiving Break**

November 22nd - 24th, 2022

## **Christmas Break**

December 19th, 2022 through  
January 2nd, 2023

## **Memorial Day**

Monday, May 29th, 2023

## **Closures**

Gallo Dance Studio will be closed only during the scheduled holiday dates listed above.

Our studio will be open during all other holidays during the school year.

## **OUR STUDIO IS OPEN DURING THE ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL SPRING BREAK!**

In the event of inclement weather ONLY, Gallo Dance Studio will follow St. Joseph School District #169 closings. We will notify our dance families of weather-related closures via email, Facebook, Instagram, and WCIA.

# TUITION & PAYMENT POLICIES

## Tuition

Tuition is based on a session fee. There are nine monthly tuition payments that must be prepaid and are due by the first lesson of each month. The nine equal monthly installments are for your convenience. The number of classes in any given month will vary.

Tuition will not be discounted/refunded for classes missed by students or for scheduled closings.



**30 minute group  
classes are \$55  
per month**



**45 minute group  
classes are \$65  
per month**

Class length and tuition for competitive teams vary. Private solo/duo/trio lessons will be offered to our competitive dancers only.

Fees are discounted for recreational classes only, when a child is enrolled in more than one class, or when enrolling more than one child in your immediate family.

2 classes = 10% off the second class

3+ classes = 20% off the third and remaining classes

**You are welcome to pay your session in full, but please note that we will NOT offer a tuition discount to do so.**

## Overdue Payment Policies

**A \$20 LATE FEE WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE ASSESSED TO THE STUDENT'S ACCOUNT IF TUITION IS NOT PAID BY THE SECOND CLASS OF EACH MONTH.**

ALL monthly fees, including the assessed late fee, must be paid in full by the end of the current month before the student is allowed to continue classes the following month.

**ALL FEES MUST BE UP-TO-DATE BEFORE RECEIVING COSTUMES, STUDIO PHOTOS, APPAREL, ETC.\***

**ACCOUNTS MUST BE PAID IN FULL** (including monthly tuition, late fees, bank charges, outstanding costume fees, etc.) before the student or family member can purchase recital tickets, participate in the annual recital, or other performances/competitions.

# STUDIO RULES & COSTUMES

## Studio Rules

Please help us keep our studio building clean! Please, NO food or drinks in the cubby/dressing room. Dancers are allowed to bring snacks to eat in between their multiple classes but are permitted only to eat at the cafe tables in the lobby.

**Dancers under the age of 7 must be supervised while in the Dressing Room!**

**ABSOLUTELY NO STANDING ON THE CUBBIES OR PLAYING IN THE CHANGING CURTAINS!**

Our studio is not responsible for any lost or stolen items. Please advise your dancer to leave all valuables, toys, jewelry, and other such belongings at home.

Label shoes and all other dance items with your dancer's name, so that lost items may be returned!

Help us keep our dancers and their siblings safe by supervising them at all times inside and outside of the studio building.

Please be sure to pick up your child on time if you need to leave our studio building during your dancer's class. If you will be late, please call the studio to inform our studio staff. For their safety, students must remain inside while waiting to be picked up.

## Costumes

Costumes will be fitted and ordered for each student - for each of their routines - and will be between \$70-\$120 each. Tights (if needed) and Hip Hop shoes (if needed) will also be listed separately on your costume notice. Please note, costumes for our competitive dancers most likely will exceed these amounts.

**For our recreational classes,** you will receive your costume notice by October 10th, and the costume fee will need to be paid ***in full by November 3rd.***

**For our competitive team,** costume deposits of \$50 per costume will be ***due by October 5th*** and will need to be paid ***in full by November 3rd.***

**Costumes will not be ordered until they are paid for!**

**\*\*Please note:** The reason costumes are ordered so far in advance, is because costume companies run out of stock VERY quickly. We keep in mind that your dancer will grow over the remainder of the season when ordering sizes!

*Costumes are ordered by a company sizing chart, and are not "custom" fit. Please be prepared to make slight adjustments as needed. We will provide seamstress names and contact information upon request.*

# CLASS RULES

- Disruptive or disrespectful behavior will result in the dancer being asked to sit and observe the class. Repeat offenders may be sent to the lobby or removed from the class.
- No foul language or bullying will be tolerated!
- Cell phones are not permitted in class!
- Students are not allowed to bring their friends or siblings to class, unless they have been given prior permission from their instructor.
- If we feel that a dancer is dressed inappropriately for class, it is possible that we may ask them to change, ask them to observe or dismiss them from class. ***We want to promote a positive environment where our dancers will feel comfortable with their bodies and image.***

- **STREET SHOES ARE NOT ALLOWED INSIDE THE STUDIOS OR ON THE DANCE FLOORS!**
- **NO FOOD OR DRINK IS ALLOWED INSIDE THE STUDIOS (only water is permitted.)**

## Class Placement

It is our goal to place your dancer in the appropriate class(es) based on their ability level. After our season begins, we will contact you if we feel that a class change is needed. Your dancer will achieve a much greater learning experience if they are in the appropriate class.

## Attendance

**Please make every effort to attend your class!**

Once routines start, we progress quickly and it is not easy to learn missed material. If a student has missed a considerable amount of lessons or practices, or if we feel that the student is not prepared to perform or compete with their group - they will not be allowed to do so. Please understand that your monthly fees need to be kept current to reserve your child's place in their class.

## Class Spectators

We run classes similar to a school environment- **with classes closed to spectators.** All dancers must be able to be without their parents for the duration of their class. We have found that this policy eliminates distraction and provides the best learning environment for all of our dancers.

## Dress Code

Many of our young dancers wear leotards or leos with attached skirts and tights. Yoga or dance pants, spandex leggings or capris, tights, cheer or dance shorts - with leotards or comfortable tops can be worn by all of our dancers - with the exception of our ballet students. Ballet students must wear ballet leotards and tights.

**PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT THEY ARE IN CLOTHING THAT WILL ALLOW THEM TO MOVE FREELY WITHOUT RESTRICTION.**

- NO jeans or loose-fitting dresses!
- NO crop tops/bra tops or revealing clothing!
- NO bare stomachs allowed!
- NO jewelry allowed - ONLY stud earrings!
- NO street shoes allowed in class!

Hair must be secured away from the face with a ponytail, or clipped back for shorter hair. This is to minimize distractions during dance class.

## Shoe Requirements

Please make sure that your dancer has the appropriate shoes by the third week of class. Shoes may be ordered through our studio office. Please have your dancer wear clean tennis shoes until they receive their dance shoes.

**ONLY DANCE SHOES MAY BE WORN ON STUDIO FLOORS!**

Appropriate shoes vary by class and are available for purchase through the studio. You may purchase your own shoes, but please be sure they follow class requirements:

**Tiny Tot Combo Class (Ballet/Tumble):** Pink ballet shoes required

**Ballet:** Pink ballet shoes required

**Jazz & Baton:** Tan jazz shoes required

\*\*Baton twirlers will be measured for their baton during their first class.

**Tap:** Black tap shoes required

**Contemporary/Lyrical:** Lyrical or Half-Sole shoes required

**Hip-Hop:** Clean tennis shoes or prior dance shoes allowed. All hip-hop classes will order shoes to match their costume. Their coordinating performance shoes will be included in their costume fee.

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR DANCER HAS THE PROPER ATTIRE AND SHOES FOR THEIR CLASS!**