



GENERAL POLICIES FOR YOUTH DANCE ENSEMBLE PROGRAM STUDENTS 2019-20

Absences should be kept to a minimum. In the case of last minute absences or tardiness, please contact the studio and notify staff so that faculty can be informed. For planned absences, please email Ms. Helen at hhayes@joyofmotion.org and communication will be sent to the staff and faculty. For students who feel a little under the weather or who are injured, observing class and taking notes is recommended. If you are really sick, please stay home and get better!

Hair must be completely UP for ballet classes. Ponytails and ‘messy buns’ without pins, are not acceptable for ballet class. Short hair must be pulled back with headband and/or barrettes. For students/parents who do not know how to make a bun, the faculty will be happy to teach you! Bobby pins, hair pins, secure ponytail holder and hair net are the essentials. There are several YouTube videos which show step by step instructions, as well.

Students should be in proper uniform for class. If students are not in the proper uniform, they may be asked to observe on that day. This will be up to the discretion of the teacher.

Absolutely **NO gum** in class and no food or drinks (other than water) in the classroom. Each dancer should have their own water bottle so that frequent trips to the water fountain can be avoided.

Absolutely **NO CELL PHONE** use in the classroom. Cell phones should be turned off and put away during classes and must stay turned off until class is over. Teachers who see a student using a cell phone or texting during class time have the right to confiscate the phone until class is over. If there is an emergency and you need to contact your child, call the studio at 301-986-0016 (Bethesda), 202-362-3042 (Friendship Heights), 202-399-6763 (Atlas).

This program is designed to teach life lessons of discipline, dedication, time management and hard work through dance. The biggest rewards are in the progress and improvements that are made over the months of training. Class time should be enjoyable, but should be a time that is focused on work. Class is NOT designed for socializing. Talking during class should be kept to a minimum and conversations should be appropriate for the setting. Dance etiquette IS important. Treat your teachers, fellow students and the art form with RESPECT!

I have read and understand the policies for the Youth Dance Ensemble program at Joy of Motion Dance Center.

Student Name and level (please print)

Student Signature Date

Parent Signature Date