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2018 - 2019 STUDIO POLICIES and FEE INFORMATION

Registration Fee

There is a non-refundable \$30.00 registration fee per family due at the time of enrollment with a completed registration form.

This fee must be paid and a registration form must be received before a student can take class.

Tuition

Our annual tuition rates are divided into 9 equal monthly payments (September through May) and is based on an annual course fee, not by the individual classes or weeks. All vacations and holidays have been taken into consideration in arriving at these fees. No tuition refunds will be given at any time, including but not limited to student absenteeism, students who quit lessons mid-month, or for any student whose tuition has been paid for the year in full. Students forced to withdraw from lessons because of a medical reason may show a doctor's note and any prepaid tuition will be held as a credit towards tuition for the immediately following dance year (non-transferable).

Any student starting after the first class will be prorated.

Payment Policy

September tuition is due by the first class with each following monthly payment due on the 10th of each month. Tuition payments received between the 11th and 20th of any given month will be charged a \$5.00 late fee. Tuition payments not received by the 20th of any given month will be charged a \$10.00 late fee.

We accept VISA, Master Card, Discover, American Express, checks and cash. Also accepting FlexFit, PersonalBest and Blue Cross/Blue Shield cards.

Checks can be made payable to "Modern Movement Dance Studio, Inc." and dropped off at the dance studio or mailed to

861 Brighton Road, Tonawanda, NY 14150.

We also offer the convenience of automatic recurring billing to your credit card each month. You must submit a signed authorization form (on back of registration form) with your credit card information to set-up recurring payments. Recurring payments will be run on the 10th of each month, September through May, or, if your auto-bill is started after the first month of classes, then the month immediately following its submission.

There is a \$35.00 service charge on all returned checks. Any account with more than 2 returned checks will be required to pay in cash. Any student who falls behind more than 2 months on tuition will be required to sit out of class until their account is brought up-to-date including all late fees.

Tuition paid in full for the year with cash or check will receive a 5% discount. Tuition paid in full with a credit card will receive a 3% discount.

Tuition must be paid in full by September 30th to receive discount.

Tuition Fees

HOURS PER WEEK			MONTHLY	YEAR IN FULL	with 5% discount	with 3% discount
up to	1	hr	\$39	\$351	\$334	\$340
up to	1.5	hrs	\$55	\$495	\$470	\$480
up to	2	hrs	\$71	\$639	\$607	\$620
up to	2.5	hrs	\$83	\$747	\$710	\$725
up to	3	hrs	\$95	\$855	\$812	\$829
up to	3.5	hrs	\$107	\$963	\$915	\$934
up to	4	hrs	\$120	\$1,080	\$1,026	\$1,048
up to	4.5	hrs	\$126	\$1,134	\$1,077	\$1,100
up to	5	hrs	\$132	\$1,188	\$1,129	\$1,152

Please add \$100 yearly tuition for each additional class after 5.0 hours. Prices valid for 2017/2017 dance year only.

Any class consisting of 4 students or less will be charged for a full hour of class regardless of the actual length of class.

Recital Fee and Information

A non-refundable \$30.00 recital fee per family is due by November 30, 2018. Our recital is held on a Friday evening and will consist of only one performance. The performance date is announced prior to the recital fee due date. Payment of this fee constitutes your family's commitment to participate in the dance recital. 2 complementary tickets will be given to each family for the performance with unlimited additional tickets being available for purchase prior to the show (we are not responsible for lost or stolen tickets). Your account must also have a \$0 balance in order to receive or purchase tickets. Students must attend all scheduled rehearsals to participate in the recital however participation in the recital is optional.

Costume Fees

Any student who chooses to participate in the recital must purchase the costume that is chosen by their teacher. Each separate performing class requires a \$70.00 costume fee due by November 30, 2018 (cash or checks ONLY; no credit cards). Costume fees not received by November 30, 2018 will be subject to a \$10.00 late fee per costume and if applicable, any additional shipping costs incurred to the studio because of late payment. Costume fees are refundable through December 31, 2018. No costume will be ordered for any student whose fee has not been received by December 31, 2018. Costume fee includes one pair of tights per student (excluding body stockings or specialty tights) and all accessories to be worn with the costume. A makeup kit costing \$10 to \$22 must be purchased - one kit per immediate family.

Studio Calendar

The studio will be closed on Halloween, Thanksgiving (from Thursday to Sunday), a 2 week break surrounding Christmas and New Year's Day, a 1 week break in February, a 1 week break surrounding Easter, and Memorial Day if the recital is scheduled after it. The studio is not closed for every holiday that school districts are closed for, nor do we follow the school calendar for vacation dates.

Class Attendance and Class Placement

Good attendance and being on time to class is imperative and should be taken seriously. Excessive absences and tardiness can limit progress of a dancer and affect the overall growth and development of an entire class. Students consistently late to class or who miss frequently may not progress as quickly as their peers and may be asked to move down in level. Our class placement is based on skill mastery and readiness, not necessarily by age, and is solely at the discretion of the instructor.

Cancellations and Emergency Closings

For cancellations due to weather emergencies, please watch news channels 2, 4, or 7 for posted notifications. Studio closings will also be posted on our studio Facebook page and on the studio website. Text alerts are also available but are optional and must be signed up for each new dance year. The studio will be closed for all classes if the Kenmore-Tonawanda School District closes due to weather conditions. Refunds will not be given for classes cancelled due to adverse weather and make up lessons are at the discretion of the teacher.

Solos, Duets and Trios

Any student who wishes to perform a solo, duet or trio in the dance recital must be enrolled in the style of dance they wish to perform, as well as be enrolled in a **ballet** class. The student wishing to perform a solo, duet or trio may miss up to 3 ballet classes during the dance year however more than 3 misses will disqualify that dancer from being eligible to perform a solo, duet or trio.

Class Assistants

Students ages 12 years or older who show a true love of dance and the desire to help others may be asked to become a class assistant. Students asked will have shown that they are responsible, outgoing, kind, and patient; they must be enrolled in a **ballet** class and may not miss more than 4 ballet classes during the year; must have studied the style of dance they are to assist for a minimum of 3 years, as well as currently be enrolled in that style, and may not miss more than 4 those classes in a year. Class assistants unable to make it to their assigned class must give their instructor at least 48 hours' notice, except in emergencies, and are responsible for finding their own coverage for the class they are missing. Class assistants who show poor class attendance, are frequently tardy, or who act in a way contradictive to their role model status, will be asked to step down from being a class assistant. Further guidelines will be reviewed with the dancers who are asked to be a class assistant.

Dress Code and Shoe Requirements

Specific dance attire and dance shoes required for each class. Students who do not follow the dress attire requirements will be asked not to participate in class. *Tights are mandatory for each class* excluding hip hop, and all students must have their hair secured out of their face.

Pajama pants and jeans prohibited at all times.

** For your convenience, all of the required dance shoes, tights and apparel are available for purchase at our dance studio **

"DANCE WITH ME" - Any loose clothing that allows for easy movement. Sneakers or closed toe flat shoes. No flip flops or sandals.

TINY TOTS (ages 2 to 4) - Any color leotard and tights. Ballet skirt or tutu may be worn.

Tan buckle tap shoes (NO shoes with ties) and proper pink ballet shoes (combo class), NOT bedroom slippers that look like a ballet shoe.

- <u>TAP</u> Any color and style leotard and pink, white, tan or black tights. Fitted black jazz pants or dance shorts allowed over leotard and tights. Ages 5 and 6 tan buckle shoes (*NO shoes with ties*). Levels I and higher tan slip-on tap shoes.
- <u>JAZZ</u> Any color and style leotard and pink, white, tan or black tights. Fitted black jazz pants or dance shorts allowed over leotard and tights.

 All jazz classes tan split sole, slip-on jazz shoe.
- BALLET Any style black leotard and pink, white or tan tights. Ballet skirt optional. All ballet classes pink leather stretch slip sole ballet slipper.
 - HIP HOP Warm up pants or comfortable loose street clothes. No jeans or shorts. Kneepads are optional. Black dance sneakers.
 - ACRO Must wear leotard (any color and style) and footless or stirrup tights. Dance shorts optional. No shoes required.
 - <u>LYRICAL & MODERN</u> Any color and style leotard and pink, white, tan or black footless or stirrup tights. Dance shorts optional. Lyrical - **tan** split sole, slip-on jazz shoe. Modern – **tan** bear paws or bare feet.

<u>MUSICAL THEATER</u> – Any color and style leotard and pink, white, tan or black tights. Fitted black jazz pants or dance shorts allowed over leotard and tights. Tan character shoes with a 1 ½ inch heel.