



DRESS CODE

Part of the discipline to dance is coming to class prepared, and dressed in the proper attire. A dress code improves the classroom climate and strongly impacts the quality of our students' education. By requiring dancewear that is simple and uniform, teachers can more readily observe student application of healthy and appropriate alignment principles, activation of the proper muscle groups, and movement ease and efficiency in the body. This aids instructors in making more accurate and helpful corrections in motion and stillness to support student progress.

Creative Dance, Pre-Ballet, and Combo Classes Girls should wear pink, footed tights, any color leotard, and pink ballet slippers. Boys should wear a t-shirt, black shorts, and black ballet slippers. No tank tops please.

Ballet 1-5 and Pre-Pointe Girls should wear any color leotard, pink footed (or convertible tights), and stretch or split sole ballet slippers. Boys should wear a t-shirt, black tights, and black ballet slippers. No tank tops please. Demi-pointe shoes should be worn during Pre-pointe. For a professional fitting, we recommend Dance Motion boutique in Pullman or Empire Dance in Spokane.

Ballet 6 and Pointe Girls should wear any leotard color of choice, pink convertible tights, and stretch or split sole ballet slippers. Boys should wear a t-shirt, black tights, and black ballet slippers. No tank tops please. Pointe shoes may need replacing throughout the year due to wear and tear. Once a pointe shoe "breaks", it can be dangerous for a dancer to continue weight bearing in an unsupported shoe and potentially lead to injury. For a professional fitting, we recommend Dance Motion boutique in Pullman or Empire Dance in Spokane.

Jazz/Hip Hop 1-5, Musical Theatre Jazz, and Motion Fever Girls should wear any color leotard, black jazz pants/jazz shorts/capri leggings, and black split-sole jazz shoes. Boys should wear a t-shirt, black jazz pants or jazz shorts and black split-sole jazz shoes.

Lyrical Girls should wear any color leotard, black jazz pants/jazz shorts/capri leggings, and dance barefoot or in lyrical dance shoes (*no socks for safety reasons*). Boys should wear a t-shirt, black jazz pants or jazz shorts, and dance barefoot or in lyrical dance shoes.

Adult Classes Dancers should wear form-fitting clothing that is comfortable and allows for freedom of movement and maximum range of motion. Shoes should be in accordance with genre see above for class dress suggestions.

Where to Purchase: We recommend Dance Motion Boutique in Pullman or Empire Dance Shop in Spokane, www.Discountdance.com is a fantastic online resource for a greater selection of items and higher quality shoes. When purchasing online, attention to the size chart, as sizes can vary dramatically between brands.

Festival Dance Academy has a Dress Code compliant online store to help guide your purchasing.

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