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Welcome to Shining Stars Dance Academy at Atlantic Shores Christian School!

Since August 2016, we have provided dance training to students of all ages, levels and abilities. We teach more than dance. We strive to help students learn proper techniques, gain confidence and lasting friendships in a nurturing, noncompetitive environment. We give students the opportunity to be creative, original and express themselves through the performing arts. We are excited to bring this program to your school for the 2023-2024 school year.

Tuition

Tuition is due by the first class of the session and will be auto drafted from your card on file if not paid in full previously. We will divide the spring session into two payments. If you would like to pay by cash or check it needs to be received before the start of the session otherwise the card on file will be charged. Please make all checks payable to: Shining Stars Dance Academy.

Fall Session:

K3-K4, 45 minutes weekly \$165(11 weeks) Kinder - 1st, 60 minutes weekly \$216 (12 weeks) 2nd - 5th, 75 minutes weekly \$247.50 (11 weeks)

Spring Session:

K3-K4, 45 minutes weekly \$240 (16 weeks) Kinder - 1st, 60 minutes weekly \$324 (18 weeks) 2nd - 5th, 75 minutes weekly \$405 (18 weeks)



Payment Schedule

September 12th - Fall Session payment due January 9th - Spring Session 1st half payment due March 5th - Spring Session 2nd half payment due Costume Fee - due date will be emailed once finalized

Refunds

All registration, tuition, costumes, shoes, merchandise, performance fees, advertisements, tickets, convention fees, competition fees, etc. cannot be prorated, refunded or transferred.

Costumes

Costumes average \$50-\$95 per costume. We will provide costume pricing by the end of the fall session along with a payment due date. We will also include a new pair of tights to be worn for all dancers participating in the end of year showcase.

Other Fees

\$25 – late fee for all tuition payments received after the 1st class of the session.

\$25 – for each check returned due to insufficient funds.

Contact Information

Please keep all parental, guardian and student contact information on file in the studio portal up-to-date. This will help us contact you in the event of an emergency.

Cancellations & Closures

We follow Atlantic Shores Christian School for closings and early dismissals due to inclement weather or other extenuating circumstances. Notification of cancellations and closures will be made via our e-mail list, push notification through our studio app, Facebook, and Instagram. It is extremely important to keep your contact information on file up-to-date.

- Facebook: facebook.com/shiningstarsdance
- Instagram: ssdanceacademyva

• Download the Shining Stars Dance Academy App located in the Apple Store or Google Play

Class Enrollment, Placement & Levels

Enrollment is accepted on a first come, first served basis. Placement is based on the dancers grade level for the school year.

Styles Offered:

Ballet: Ballet classes will help dancers with posture, flexibility, fitness, balance, self-discipline, and self-confidence. It provides grace, poise, and the technique needed to be proficient in all other areas of dance. Students will learn classical ballet techniques and terminology.

Jazz: Dancers will be exposed to various styles of jazz such as Broadway, Street, and Contemporary to help develop a well rounded dancer. Class curriculum is based on ballet technique layered with traditional jazz movement and includes a proper warm-up, stretches, isolations, across-the-floor progressions, and combinations.

Lyrical: This class is a combination of ballet and jazz technique that challenges dancers to use choreography and movement to interpret music and express emotion. Dancers learn to express emotions derived from lyrics to convey the dance's meaning.

Attendance

If your dancer will not be attending dance but attended school for the day please mark them absent in the parent portal no later than noon on the day of their class. This will ensure that the dancer gets dismissed as usual for pick up.



Pick-up

All dancers will be picked up by their parent/guardian at the extended care table. Please make sure that you list all approved pick up contacts under the contact tab of your parent portal. Dancers will not be released to anyone who is not on the approved pick up list. Parents will need to sign off on our attendance sheet at pick up before dancers will be dismissed. Dancers must be picked up in a timely manner. **All dancers not picked up within 5 minutes after class ending will be checked into ASCS extended care at a rate of \$20 per day.** This will be charged by Atlantic Shores Christian School

Roll Over Registration

When you sign up your dancer for the first session of the school year you will be auto enrolled in all subsequent sessions for your convenience, no need to re-enroll for each session! If you decide to not continue after your first session, no worries! We can remove your enrollment from the next session by following the steps below.

Class Withdrawal

We understand issues arise that may require a student to withdraw from class. If this occurs, please fill out the form at this link: <u>https://form.jotform.com/231925080472151</u>. This link is also accessible via the SSDA website under the Atlantic Shores tab. The studio must be notified prior to the last day of the previous session to avoid tuition for the next session being due. Please keep in mind that all registration, tuition, costumes, shoes, merchandise, performance, advertisements, tickets, convention, competition fees, etc. cannot be prorated, refunded or transferred.

Food & Drink

If you would like to send a snack/drink with your dancer for before class starts please make sure that it is peanut free. We will have a short break between when the school day ends and when classes start to make sure all dancers can get to where they need to be and get changed before we begin class.

Mobile Devices

All mobile devices (i.e. mobile / smart phones, laptops, ipads / tablets, etc.) are not permitted in the dance studio related activities or events. Parents will be notified if dancers do not adhere to this policy. It is okay if a dancer needs to have a mobile device on them for communication purposes, however it must stay in their backpack during class time.

Photos, Videos & Quotes

By registering your student, you give us permission to take and use photographs, audio and/or video of your student in any medium (print, web, audio, video, radio and/or television) to advertise, market and/or promote the studio. These photos may also be shared with ASCS.

Foul Language & Negative Behavior

Everyone should be polite and respectful. The use of foul language or negative behavior is not permitted or tolerated. We reserve the right to withdraw, remove or ban anyone from dance related activities or events (classes, performances, showcases, etc) if they:

- use foul language or profanity
 - exhibit expressions, gestures or other social behaviors that are interpreted as insulting, rude, vulgar, obscene, obnoxious, foul, unsafe, negative or confrontational
 - continuously fail to follow direction from faculty and staff members

Dress Code

Female dancers are expected to wear a leotard, any color/style, with tights, and shorts/skirt/leggings. Two piece dance-wear is NOT permitted. Hair should be pulled back out of the dancers face. Please have hair ties in their dance bag, SSDA Staff can assist with pulling hair off the face.

Male dancers are expected to wear athletic shorts without pockets and a solid colored t-shirt. Ballet shoes should be black.

Please label all of your dancers shoes with their name or initials in them. **Shining Stars Dance Academy is not responsible for any lost, stolen or broken items.**



Picture Day:

We will have a professional photographer come take individuals & group photos of the dancers during the spring session. This will happen outside of normal class hours. You will be notified once a date has been finalized.

Mid-Session Show & Tell:

We will have a 15 minute show & tell half way through each session. This will be in the art room during the lsat 15 minutes of class.

Year-end Showcase:

For the end of year showcase dancers will perform (1) routine in each style learned in full costume. More details regarding the year-end showcase will be emailed to all parents once the information has been finalized.