

Metro Dance Center

October 2018 Class Information

Welcome to the 2018-2019 season at Metro Dance Center! We are glad your family has decided to join us for a fun-filled year of dance. Listed below is information you will find helpful. Please read over the information carefully, and let us know if you have any questions or if we can be of any further service to you. To reach our desk staff, please call (651) 482-1737 or e-mail us at metrodancecenter@gmail.com. You can also find a lot of important and helpful information on our website at www.metrodancecenter.com.

Monthly Billing Statements

Each month you will receive an informational letter along with your billing statement. Payments are usually due by the 1st of the month (unless otherwise noted) and it is important for you to make your payments on time and keep your account current. This month, bills are not due until October 10th. Accounts paid after October 15th are subject to a late fee. It is also important that you carefully read all information sent with your bill. If you ever have questions or concerns about your bill or any information sent along with it, please contact our front desk staff or email us.

Account Information

Please verify that the address and all names listed on your bill are correct. If something is not accurate (including spelling), please contact us so we can correct it. This is the information used for certificates, T-shirts and programs during the year and we want to make sure everyone's name is spelled correctly.

Online & Recurring Payments

We have the option for families to view your account, make one-time payments, and set up recurring payments online. Information regarding this, along with a link to the site were included in the email with your bill. If you have any questions regarding this, please email us at metrodancecenter.com.

Class Changes

If your child decides to switch classes or quit, it is extremely important that you contact the front desk immediately. If you have any questions or concerns about whether your child is in the proper class, please leave a message with the front desk to have your child's instructor contact you.

Halloween

To celebrate Halloween, we invite all students to wear their Halloween costumes to dance class the week before Halloween (October 24-30). Students will learn special Halloween themed dances, play dance games, and get treats! Please make sure that your dancer is able to freely move and dance in his/her costume. Please note, we will be closed on Halloween (Wed, October 31st).

Spooktacular Dance Camp

We will be hosting a Halloween-themed dance camp on Saturday, October 27th from 12:30-2:30 pm for dancers age 4-7. During the camp, dancers will learn a fun dance routine, participate in themed activities and games, enjoy craft time, and have a snack. Dancers are encouraged to wear costumes! (Students should wear dance appropriate clothing under their costumes.) Dancers will perform a short routine for parents at the end. Anyone is welcome so tell your friends!! You can stop by the front desk to register, or register online at www.metrodancecenter.com. Cost-\$20 (includes class, snack & craft)

Costume Measurements

It's already time for us to start thinking about costumes for the spring performance. Students will be measured for costumes during class the week of November 5th -10th. Please talk to your child about this so he/she is prepared. Also, please make sure your child is wearing form-fitting clothing to class so that we can get accurate measurements. Please note: We realize that kids will grow between now and June. We add inches to the measurements when determining his/her size.

Refer a Friend

If your dancer has a friend who wants to try dance and/or is interested in dancing at Metro Dance Center he/she is welcome to join your dancer in class one week for a “free trial”. If your dancer brings a friend with, he/she must stop at the front desk to fill out a free trial class form. If the friend joins a weekly class at Metro Dance Center and he/she notifies us that you referred them, you will receive a \$25 credit on your bill! Please note-to receive the refer a friend credit, your friend MUST notify us at the time of registration and siblings do not qualify for the refer a friend credit.

Holiday Dates

The following is a list of dates we are closed for various holidays. Please note that the monthly tuition charge does not change based on the number of classes during the month. To simplify the billing process, we determine the monthly tuition fee based on a set number of weeks for the year. (We occasionally take off extra days around holidays to ensure each day of the week has the same number of classes.) Therefore, whether you have 2 classes or 5 classes in a month, the rate will be the same.

Halloween: Wednesday, October 31, 2018

Thanksgiving: Tuesday, November 20-Sunday, November 25, 2018

Holiday Break: Saturday, December 22, 2018-Tuesday, January 1, 2019

Spring Break: *Wednesday, March 13-Tuesday, March 19, 2019

Easter Break: Thursday April 18-Sunday, April 21, 2019

Memorial Day: Friday, May 24-Monday, May 27, 2019

Last Day of Class: Thursday, May 30, 2019

*Since the studio has students from several different school districts, we decided to split the spring breaks so we are taking off part of each week.

Other Important Dates

The following are some fun and exciting things to look forward to this year. Please read your information every month for more information about these and other events.

Halloween Week: Wednesday, October 24-Tuesday, October 30, 2018

Students can wear their Halloween costumes to class. See above for more information.

Holiday Showings: Saturday, December 15-Thursday, December 20, 2018

Students will learn and perform one or two short holiday dances for family and friends. Treats will be provided for all dancers and their families! (The showing will be held on the dancer’s regular class night but there may be a slightly altered schedule which will be sent out in mid-November.)

Parent’s Watch Week: Monday, February 4-Saturday, February 9, 2019

Parents will have the opportunity to sit in and observe their dancer’s class. You are welcome to take pictures and videotape!

Pictures: Sunday, April 28, 2019

Dancers will have their individual and class photos taken in their costumes. An exact schedule of when your dancer’s photos will be taken will be sent out in mid-March.

Spring Performance Dress Rehearsals: May 28-30, 2019

Dancers will rehearse their spring performance dances in costume at Metro Dance Center. A schedule of what time the rehearsals will be at each day will be sent out in mid-May.

- Dancers whose weekly classes are on Monday and Tuesday will rehearse on Tuesday, May 28.
- Dancers whose weekly classes are on Wednesday will rehearse on Wednesday, May 29.
- Dancers whose weekly classes are on Thursday and Saturday will rehearse on Thursday, May 30.

Spring Performances: May 31-June 2, 2019

The spring performances will be held at Spring Lake Park High School’s Fine Arts Center. Each recreational class will perform the dances they have rehearsed throughout the year in costume on stage in one of the spring shows. The exact date and time of your student’s show will be sent out in mid-October.