

Saint Pete Dance Center Handbook



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Monthly Tuition

(Pricing is per student, per month. Classes are held once a week.)

30 minutes- \$45.00

45 minutes-\$55.00

1 hour- \$70.00

90 minutes- \$85.00

2 hours- \$120.00

2.5 hours - \$145

3 hours- \$170.00

3.5 hours - \$195

4 hours- \$210.00

4.5 hours - \$235

5 hours - \$260

Each additional class after 5 hours is \$15 per class.

One time drop in- \$25.00

Students must be of class age by September 1st.

Pricing is for the Fall/Spring season (August-May)

There is an annual registration fee of \$45 per student, up to two students per family.

There are no sibling discounts.

The prices above do not reflect the price of private lessons, special group lessons, camps, parties, workshop classes, etc.

***Tuition is non-refundable.**

Notification of withdrawal from class should be submitted to SPDC in writing **prior** to the first of the month.

Ballet



Pre-School and Kinder Combo Tap



Jazz



Level 1 and up Tap



Dress Code

The following shops are aware of all our required shoes. Please visit them for all of your dancewear needs:

- On Pointe Dancewear located at 2113 Central Ave in St. Pete
- New Attitudes located at 13002 Seminole Blvd Ste 2 in Largo

All long hair must be pulled back in a pony tail or bun.

No jewelry or costumes are allowed in class as they may become a hazard and a distraction.

Jeans, school clothes, or play clothes are not suitable for dance class.

Ballet levels 1 & up: Black leotard, pink tights, and pink canvas ballet shoes. Ballet Skirt or dance shorts are permitted. No t-shirts allowed during instruction time. Hair must be in a bun.

Pre-Pointe/Pointe: Black Leo, Pink Tights. Pink canvas ballet shoes. Pointe shoes are only to be used with instructor approval. Shirts and shorts are not permitted during instruction time.

Lyrical/Modern/Contemporary: Leotard, convertible or footless tights, dance shorts or leggings. No shoe requirement unless stated by instructor.

Tap: Leotard and tights, dance shorts or leggings.

- **Ages 5 and under: Black Mary Jane style tap shoes, preferably with a Velcro strap so they can change their shoes unassisted.
- Ages 6 and up: Black Oxford style tap shoes with laces.

Jazz: Leotard, tights, and Tan jazz shoes. Dance shorts or leggings are permitted.

Preschool and Kinder Combo Classes: Leotard with or without attached skirt, tights, pink canvas ballet shoes, **Black Mary Jane style tap shoes.

Acro: Leotard and dance shorts or Gymnastics leotard. No Loose Clothing or T-Shirts.

Hip Hop: Sneakers must be worn in class*. You are free to express yourself fashionably but appropriately. Wear clothes that are comfortable to move in. NO denim! Pants are encouraged for floor work. ***Please have a change of shoes, like slides or flip flops, to wear in and out of the building. Street shoes are permitted outside of the classroom. Dance shoes must NEVER be worn outside!**

Performances/Events

A recital will be held annually at the end of the season. Please inform us if you wish to participate.

Each student that performs in the recital will be required to purchase a costume for each class they wish to perform in. Special shoes or accessories may need to be purchased as well. Prices TBD.

Costumes are nonrefundable.

While participating in community event, competitions, or conventions we ask that you please exhibit your best behavior and etiquette. You may be asked to wear specific things. Please arrive on time, if not early. We will always demonstrate a positive, supportive, and courteous attitude towards everyone around us.

Please represent Saint Pete Dance Center respectfully.

Chaperones and volunteers are always needed for our events, so please inform us if you would like to be contacted as someone who is willing to help out behind the scenes.

Payment Policies

Tuition is due on the 1st of every month and is based on a ten-month season broken into 10 payments. Prompt payment secures your child's space in the class. If your account goes two months unpaid, your account will become inactive and you will surrender your child's spot in the class.

There will be a late fee of \$15.00 automatically added to your account if payment is not received by the 10th of each month.

SPDC will be closed on various holidays, and tuition is not adjusted for any of these holidays. You can find which days the studio will be closed at www.stpetedancecenter.com.

Tuition is not reduced to reflect missed classes due to illness, work schedules, vacations, or holidays.

We have an Auto-Pay option for tuition, which is highly suggested.

Accounts with overdue balances will not be able to participate in workshops, special events, or the recital until balances are paid in full.

Studio & Waiting Room Etiquette

Please arrive on time and ready for class. Coming in to class late can be extremely disruptive to instructors as well as other students. If you arrive late, please have shoes on and enter class ready to dance.

We highly encourage dancers to use the restroom prior to the beginning of class. We do break for water and bathrooms if needed during class, but this can take up valuable instruction time.

Dancers should approach all classes with energy, enthusiasm, and the desire to learn. Dancers should maintain an open and responsive attitude, and always be respectful toward his or her peers, instructor, and staff. Students are encouraged to adopt good manners in and out of class. If a student is being disruptive, their instructor may send them home until the following class.

Food, chewing gum, toys, and drinks other than water are not permitted in class. However, all water bottles **MUST BE SPILL PROOF!**

Parents and students are to respect the judgement of the instructor regarding his or her progress in the curriculum, readiness for advancement, or performance.

Parents, students, and all other family members should be respectful of those working in the building. Running, shouting, and horseplay is not acceptable.

Parents are responsible for supervising their children and ensuring that they appropriately control their behavior. Please refrain from standing or sitting on tables. Please cleanup after your children. Please keep food messes to a minimum. Please make a staff member aware if there is a soiled diaper in the trash bin.

Classes

At Saint Pete Dance Center, our goal is for our dancers to have fun. We want to provide a fun, family-friendly learning environment where anyone can learn to dance or improve on their existing skills.

Our classes offered include:

- Tiny Twos (Ages 2-3)
- Preschool: Ballet and Tap (Ages 3-4)
- Kinder Combo: Ballet and Tap (Ages 4-6)
- Musical Theater
- Ballet
- Tap
- Jazz
- Lyrical
- Acro
- Modern
- Hip Hop
- Contemporary
- Leaps & Turns
- Conditioning & Stretching

Saint Pete Dance Center has a Competition Team.

Auditions take place in June of every year.

Thank you for choosing Saint Pete Dance Center for your dance education. With numerous dance studios in Pinellas County, we are very pleased you have chosen us. The SPDC staff strives to provide the best customer service to all of our students and their families. We spare no effort in providing a positive and nurturing, yet disciplined environment. We want your time spent at our studio to be enjoyable, and we will make sure you and your student will have all the information necessary to succeed at Saint Pete Dance Center.

Please address all questions and concerns you may have to the front desk, or the owner, Miss Katie. If we are unaware of any issues, we cannot begin to address them. Since there are no breaks in between classes, please contact Miss Katie during non-class hours so she may give her full attention to any of your concerns.

Please do not participate in any gossip or “Dance Drama.” We ask that all who walk in to the doors of SPDC act in a kind, respectful manner. Parents and students are expected to always lead by example, act as role models, as well as empower and encourage those around us.

Thank you and welcome to the SPDC Family!

Sincerely, Katie Fader and the SPDC staff