



Beyond Dance Competition Team Contract

2024-2025

Congratulations and welcome to the Beyond Dance Competition Team for our 2024-2025 season. We are honored to have you, as you have worked hard, proven your passion for dance, and demonstrated great potential. Being on our team comes with certain responsibilities such as following all the rules, showing the utmost respect to all teachers and teammates, and being a role model/setting an example for all the other dancers at our studio.

Please review this contract in its entirety.
All Competition Team Members must agree to the following:

ATTENDANCE

- Committing to this competition team prohibits you from participating in classes at other local studios. Dancers are welcomed to participate in recreational classes at **OUR** studio.
 - Dancers may attend classes at professional studios such as Broadway Dance Center, Peridance, Steps on Broadway, etc.
- Dancers on **Opal/Pearl** are required to take the following weekly technique classes:
 - 1 Ballet Class
 - 1 Jazz Technique Class
 - 1 Stretch & Conditioning Class
- Dancers on **Amber/Sapphire/Ruby/Emerald** are required to take the following weekly technique classes:
 - 2 Ballet Classes
 - 1 Jazz Technique Class
 - 1 Stretch & Conditioning Class
- Dancers are required to make up all of the previously listed technique classes, if **two** or more are missed in a single month.
 - If they fail to make up missed technique classes, they will be prohibited from participating in their team classes until makeups are completed. Although attendance of all team classes will still be required.
- Dancers are required to attend all weekly competition team classes, however dancers are allotted **five** unexcused absences per year.
- Excused absences are as follows:
 - School sanctioned activities.
 - Notice must be given **one** month in advance for it to count as excused.
 - Illness or Injury with a provided doctor's note.
 - A text message just prior to class stating they "do not feel well" will not suffice as excused.
 - While a dancer is injured, they are still required to attend and watch **ALL** classes
 - Religious commitments/practices.

- Please make sure every dancer arrives on time to any and all classes, consistent lateness will result in them not participating in the remainder of the class in which they were late to.
- In order to remain a competition member for the following calendar year, a certain number of summer classes are required to be completed during the six week period summer intensives are offered.

ATTIRE

- Body conscious/form fitting dancewear is required for **ANY** and **ALL** classes, with the exception of Hip Hop classes.
- Sweatpants/Hoodies are allowed during the colder months, but must be removed after the first 10 minutes of class.
 - Pajama pants are not considered sweatpants and therefore are not allowed to be worn in the studio **EVER**.
- Hair must be neat, fully up and pulled back out of the dancer's face.
- Proper footwear is required for each class.
- Smart Watches / Apple Watches are not to be worn in **ANY** class.

TEAM/STUDIO ETIQUETTE

- Please be respectful to **ALL** staff and students.
 - Do not call out, interrupt or speak to fellow classmates while a teacher is speaking.
 - Dancers should raise their hand for any and all questions.
- Consistent disruptiveness may result in the dancer being asked to sit out/no longer participate in class.
- No gum chewing will be allowed in class.
- Food and snacks are limited to the lobby area **ONLY**.
- Beyond Dance has a **ZERO** tolerance policy for bullying.
 - Any team group chats must include **ALL** team members.
 - All team members must be invited to any team event.
- If bad behavior/bullying is consistent, a call to the parent(s)/guardian(s) will be made, followed by a directors meeting with the dancer(s).
 - If the behavior continues a directors meeting with both parent and student present will be required.
 - If the behavior has not improved after the previously stated meetings, privileges such as solos/duos/trios will be taken away.
 - If all else fails permanent removal from the Beyond Dance Competition Team will take place.
- Any social media presence from all team members must be positive, respectful and appropriate, as the dancers are a direct reflection of the studio's image and values.
 - Please refrain from making any negative remarks regarding the studio, other dancers, or staff publicly.
 - Please be mindful that although their account may be "**private**" any information put on social media is being shared to a **PUBLIC** platform.

ROUTINES/CHOREOGRAPHY

- Solos, Duos & Trios are not required for every dancer, they are a privilege for dancers to showcase their talents and abilities.
 - Dancers may request the teacher/choreographer of their choosing, but the final pairing will be made by the studio.
 - Dancers must compete their solo/duo/trio at all four mandatory regional competitions, and nationals as well.
- Every Dancer is required to be in their team's Jazz, Lyrical & Contemporary(if applicable) routines. Hip Hop & Tap are optional.
 - In order to compete as a solo/duo/trio in Hip Hop or Tap they are required to be in the corresponding group routine(s).
- All choreography is owned by Beyond Dance

COMPETITIONS

- Competition team members are required to attend **FOUR** regional competitions within the months of March-May, which include 1 solo/duo/trio competition and 3 group competitions.
 - At Competition, they are required to stay for the entirety of any given session that they are performing in, including awards.
 - Dancers are required to wear their team jacket on stage during awards.
 - Failure to attend the full sessions/awards that the dancer has performed in will result in the loss of privileges such as solos/duos/trios.
 - Exceptions to this rule must be approved by a studio director.
- There will be a **MANDATORY** Nationals competition within the months of June-July.
 - Please reserve the weeks following Recital for **MANDATORY** Nationals rehearsals.
- Dancers are to arrive at all competitions **TWO HOURS** ahead of your initial performance time with hair and make up **FULLY COMPLETE**.
 - Please be mindful that competitions can run ahead of schedule and dancers need adequate time to warm up.
- Please be mindful that competitions typically run Friday–Sunday and to keep those days **COMPLETELY OPEN** on competition weekends.
 - As a studio we do not control the schedule, so we have to be available for whatever schedule each competition provides.
- Competition dates will be finalized and released no later than the end of September along with competition fees & deadlines.
 - If competition fees are not paid on time, a late fee will be added to the dancer's account.
 - Failure to pay competition fees prior to the given competition date will result in the dancer's entries being scratched from said competition.
- Each dancer is a representation of the Beyond Dance Competition Team and is expected to show kindness and support for all dancers, both from our studio and any other studio we may be competing against as well as the competition staff.

COSTUMES

- Non-refundable costume deposits will be collected by October 1st in the amount of \$50 per group routine.

- Upon dancers receiving their costumes additional charges may be applied to their account, as costume prices may vary due to the costume company and/or choice by the choreographer.
- **ANY** and **ALL** Costumes will be ordered through/by Beyond Dance.
- Parents/Dancers are free to search for/suggest costumes for solos/duos/trios, however the choreographer/studio directors will have final approval on all costumes.
- Embellishments/Studs may be added to costumes at the choreographer/director's discretion.

By signing below you are agreeing to having read and understood all of the above information. A signed contract is required in order for all Beyond Dance Competition Team Members to participate in the 2024-2025 season. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding any of the given information please contact one of your studio directors.

X _____
Parent/Guardian Signature

X _____
Student Signature