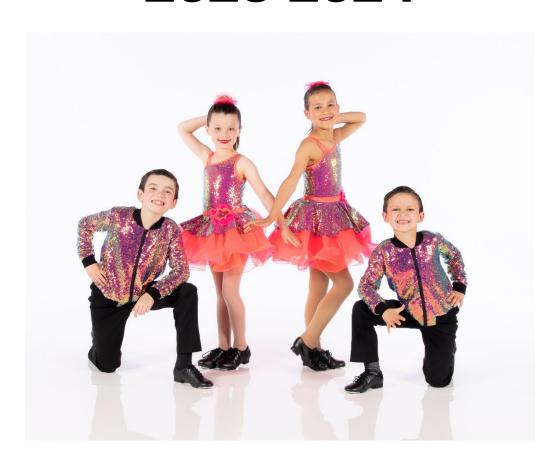


## Student Handbook 2023-2024



# GRANDE FINALÉ extends a warm welcome to all new and returning dancers and parents! We will strive to instill in each dancer a love for dance, improved fitness, body awareness and greater dance skill and technique. We are thrilled to have you be a part of our studio, and are looking forward to another wonderful year of dance.

#### **FEES and POLICIES**

#### **TUITION** (for Aerial Tuition see section marked Aerial Tuition)

The tuition prices quoted below are for the number of classes taken per family. Our corresponding monthly tuition rates are listed below:

45 min class per week	\$56.00
1 hour class per week	\$68.00
1.25 hour class per week	\$84.00
1.5 hour class per week (single class)	\$103.00
2 hour class per week (single class)	\$134.00

Each Additional class is \$44.00 a month (after first monthly billed class which will be billed at longest class)

Over 5 classes a month each additional class is \$12.00 a month

Tuition is due by the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month. All payments will be ran on or after the 5th of each month with the credit card on file. To cancel your class membership, you must email the front desk or submit a class drop form at the front desk. Please understand, notifying the instructors is NOT sufficient due to the fact that instructors are not involved in any record keeping as it applies to billing, nor do they have access to that information. All class memberships must be canceled by the 1st of the month to avoid charges for that given month or subsequent month. Our tuition is calculated on a yearly basis subdivided into monthly installments for your convenience. We do not charge more for months with five lessons nor do we charge less for months with less than four.

Students that drop after January 1st will be charged a \$100.00 drop fee.

PRIVATE LESSONS are available at \$ $30^{00}$  for each  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour for currently enrolled students, and \$ $35^{00}$  for students taking only privates. Privates are scheduled on an individual basis with instructors.

#### **Aerial Tuition**

Our aerial classes are billed on a term basis. They are billed separate from our dance classes. The only exception are our Friday Tap/Aerial classes which will be billed as normal weekly dance classes.

#### **Aerial Terms**

Fall Sept 10th-Nov 13th Winter Nov 27th-Feb 26th Spring Term March 4th-May 6<sup>th</sup> Spring Showcase TBD

#### **Aerial Fees**

45 minutes a week \$180 per term
1 hour a week \$200 per term
15 minute Level 3+ practice session extra \$50.00 a term

Once the term has started the tuition for Aerial is non-refundable.

#### **REGISTRATION FEE:**

\$25<sup>00</sup> per dancer. \$35<sup>00</sup> per family.

This yearly fee is due at the time of Fall-Spring registration and is non-refundable. Billing for families will cap at \$35<sup>00</sup>.

#### **COSTUME FEE: (Due December 1st): (not aerial term classes)**

Costume costs per student are as follows:
Regular Classes \$7500/Class
Combo class 5-7, & 8+ (2 costumes)\$150.00/Class
Pre-Ballet/Mini HH class (1 costume)\$65.00/Class
3-4 yr. old combo class (1 costume) \$65.00/Class

COSTUMES FEES FOR OUR SPRING SHOW ARE DUE DECEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>. All students enrolled in class on or after December 1<sup>St</sup> will be ordered costumes for the Spring show unless we receive notice in writing before December 1<sup>St</sup> that they will not be participating. Costume are non-refundable. Any student starting after December 1<sup>St</sup> will be charged their costume fee with their first month of tuition. Costumes are non-refundable.

#### **DANCE APPAREL AND HAIR**

**CONTEMPORARY, LYRICAL, JAZZ, PRE-BALLET AND TAP DANCERS**: will wear appropriate dancewear for all classes. Leotard and tights or <u>lycra</u> shorts, or unitards for girls (dance skirts are acceptable; except for ballet). Absolutely no T-shirts for girls. T-shirts and sweats or shorts for boys. Dancers will not be allowed to participate in class if they are not wearing appropriate dance wear and shoes. Examples of inappropriate attire: jeans, dresses, shorts, shirts and jackets. Long hair will be pulled back for the face in all classes. Please keep all jewelry at home or in your dance bag.

**TUMBLERS/ACRO** need to wear a leotard or unitard. Boys need to be in shorts and a shirt. All tumblers need to be barefoot for class. **NO TIGHTS.** Long hair needs to be pulled back and secured out of the face. Please keep all jewelry at home or in your dance bag.

**BALLET DANCERS (Ballet I and up classes)** are required to wear a black leotard, pink tights and pink leather shoes. **Please no ballet skirts**. Buns are required for all ballet classes. Please keep all jewelry at home or in your dance bag.

**BBOY DANCERS** are required to wear athletic or dance pants and a shirt that allows freedom of movement.

**HIP HOP DANCERS** are required to wear athletic or dance pants and a shirt that allows freedom of movement.

#### **DANCE SHOES:**

Pre-Ballet/Tap: Pink ballet Slippers and Black beginner tap



Pre-Ballet – Ballet II: Pink leather full sole ballet slippers



Ballet III & Up: Pink Full Leather Ballet Slippers



**Tap/ Jazz Combo I, II, & III:** Black beginner tap shoes & black ballet slippers or full sole Jazz boots.



Tap I, Tap II, Tap III & Advance Tap Black Tap Oxford, Preferably Capezio or Bloch.



Jazz Classes: Black leather split-sole Jazz boot.



**Hip Hop/ Bboy:** Any Black/White Low Top "Converse Type" tennis shoes designated just for class use (not to be worn out side nor to and from class for studio use only)



Lyrical/Contemporary: Foot undies or go barefoot.



### GENERAL POLICIES (NEWSLETTERS, CLOSURES, STUDIO BEHAVIOR, ETC.)

#### **Monthly Newsletter: IMPORTANT!**

Our monthly newsletter is our only way of keeping everyone up to date on current events. The newsletter will also be emailed out every month and is also available at our website www.gfdstudio.com. Please make sure to take time and read the newsletter to stay up to date on what is happening at the studio!

#### Food:

**NO FOOD, GUM, CANDY, JUICE, OR SODA POP** is allowed inside the studio before, during or after class. Students are allowed to eat in the hall between classes; however, all food and drink must be either neatly packed away to take home or thrown away at the end of the evening. Please be courteous to all and pick up your trash and place it in the garbage can. The Studio and Staff is very appreciative.

#### Restroom

Dancers, please try and use the restroom before class.

#### **Lost and Found**

Lost and found items will be placed in the cubbies in the back. Jewelry, wallets, etc. will be kept at the front desk to be claimed.

#### **Missed Lessons**

There will be no prorating for missed classes or refunds once the month has started.

#### **Cancellation Due to Inclement Weather**

If the studio needs to close due to inclement weather, we will notify dancers by email and post the information on our social media accounts. Sometimes we will not decide until later in the day due to when our classes begin, If the weather is in questions, please check your email before leaving for the studio.

#### **Cubbies**

Dancers. please store all belongings in provided cubbies during classes. Due to fire code, we must keep the hallway free of clutter.

#### **Tardiness**

Class time is set especially for the dancers. Please be prompt as not to miss any part of class.

#### Respect

Dancers will be respectful and courteous of all other and their property. This includes fellow dancers, instructors, helpers, and those observing class.

#### **Parent Observation-**

Grande Finalé offers a viewing/waiting room. Parents are welcome at any time to use this area.

#### **Performance Team Parent Observation-**

Parents are allowed to view their dancers the first week of every month. Please refer to the Performance Handbook.

#### **Practice**

It is essential for dancers to practice at home the stretches, dance steps and routines they have learned in class! Each week new steps are learned and added to the dancer's routine (s) and without practice, these are quickly forgotten and must be re-taught from week to week, holding back the entire class.

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