

MgM Dance Studio

Competition Contract and General Rules 2017-2018

This contract is for your benefit and mine. I have tried to outlay everything that you will need to know from now until next June. This is a commitment of both parents and students. Due to unforeseen circumstances, there is always a possibility of changes.

Recital Fee:

Due to the increasing costs of production and trophies, a recital fee is necessary. Each student will receive a trophy for performing in the recital. Recital fees include Trophy and one DVD of the show of your choice. Each additional DVD can be purchased for \$30.00. You will have a choice of selling ads for the recital booklet or paying the recital fee. Fees are listed below:

	Single Student	Family
Paying fee	\$50.00	\$70.00
Selling Ads	Sell \$40.00 in ads and get \$20.00 off recital fee	Sell \$60.00 in ads and get \$40.00 off recital fee
Selling Ads	Each additional \$20.00 sold, will receive 1 free ticket	

Dance Attire:

Students must wear a black leotard with Black or Tan Bra.

Pink footed or convertible tights. Tights may not be rolled up or have holes in them.

Hair must be secured in a bun for ballet class with no bangs. Hair must be secure out of face for other dance classes.

No bras or underwear sticking out-exceptions are nude or clear

In General:

Black dance booty shorts may be worn except for ballet and will be worn for some performances.

Shirts may not be worn over top and jewelry may not be worn (except stud earrings and belly button rings and other piercings must be secure). All Piercing must be removable for performances, Competitions and recitals.

Students must have their hair at length that would enable them to pull it up into a bun and must be of natural color.

Students must be able to take off/out all jewelry for competition and cover tattoos.

Dance Shoes:

Ballet Shoes: Pink Leather Split Sole Capezio Juliet

Students can have any kind of pink split sole ballet shoes for class. Students will need Capezio pink leather ballet shoes for competition. (Please ask teachers for sewing instructions)

Tap Shoes:

Starbursts, and Moonbeams: Black Mary Jane u-shell Capezio tap shoes

Star Dust, Dazzling Stars, Solar Waves, Starbrites, Star Struck, and Starbound- Bloch Split sole Shoes Capezio are acceptable

Competition: please check with me before buying shoes. Costume lists are done before competition. Other shoes may be required for competition.

Logo Wear: ALL competition students must purchase the GTM Sportswear warm up jacket (pants optional).

Students should also have a purple MgM t-shirt to wear under the jacket. These warm ups must be worn at all events to support the studio.

Competition Dates: Please do not plan vacations until after July 4th. Dates of competitions are subject to change.
We need copies of everyone's birth certificates. Please check and make sure we have one on file in the office. These may be needed to verify your age at competition.

Competition Students will be attending all Mandatory competitions listed below.
Pre-Comp students will only attend That's Entertainment Competition.

Talent Olympics December 7th-10th (Mandatory)

Solo's Duos, and Trio's- Thursday night, Friday
Groups and Lines- Saturday
Awards-Sunday

Split Rock Resort
100 Moseywood Rd
Lake Harmony, PA 18624
(570) 722-9111

FEES Due by October 19th

Registration Fee \$25.00 per person
Solos \$23.00 per routine
Duo/Trios \$22.00 per Person
Groups \$21.00 per person
Photogenic \$20.00 per Photo

Believe National Dance Competition March 9th-11th (Mandatory)

Chesapeake Arts Center
194 Hammonds Lane
Brooklyn Park, MD

FEES Due by January 20th

Solos \$120.00 per routine
Duo/Trios \$145.00.00 per Routine
Groups \$49.00 per person
Photogenic \$25.00 1st Photo, \$20.00 for 2nd and 3rd

Groove Dance Competition March 16th -18th (Optional)

Cedar Crest High School
115 East Evergreen Road
Lebanon, PA 17042

FEES Due by February 28th

Registration Fee \$22.00 per person
Solos \$100.00 per routine
Duo/Trios \$58.00 per Person
Groups \$42.00 per person

That's Entertainment- March 24th & 25th (Mandatory for Pre-Competition, Optional for Solos are Duo Only)

Lancaster Host Resort and Conference Center
2300 Lincoln Highway
Lancaster, PA 17802
717 299 5500

FEES Due by January 30th

Registration Fee \$22.00 per person
Solos \$100.00 per routine
Duo/Trios \$60.00 per Person
Small Groups \$32.00 per person
Large Groups \$33.000 per person
Photogenic \$20.00 per Photo

Star Power April 6th – April 8th (Mandatory)

Goucher College
1021 Dulaney Valley Road
Towson, MD 21204

FEES Due by March 3rd

Solos \$136.00 per routine
Duo/Trios \$165.00 per Routine
Groups \$59.00 per person
Photogenic \$25.00 per Photo

Star Power April 20th – April 22nd (Optional)

Baltimore Convention Center
1 West Pratt Street
Baltimore, MD 21201

FEES Due by March 16th

Solos \$136.00 per routine
Duo/Trios \$165.00 per Routine
Groups \$59.00 per person
Photogenic \$25.00 per Photo

Talent Olympics, Possible date of June 28th, 29th, 30th, July 1st. (Optional)

Solo's Duos, and Trio's- Thursday night, Friday
Groups and Lines- Saturday
Awards-Sunday

Split Rock Resort
100 Moseywood Rd
Lake Harmony, PA 18624
(570) 722-9111

FEES Due by May 17th

Registration Fee \$25.00 per person
Solos \$23.00 per routine
Duo/Trios \$22.00 per Person
Groups \$21.00 per person
Photogenic \$20.00 per Photo

Other optional competitions available at later dates

Competition Rules:

All competitions listed above that are mandatory must be attended. Students who fail to attend competition will be immediately dismissed from the group, (Exception may apply only to be determined by the director, Mary Mock). Competition fees will vary depending on the competition. I do not receive exact schedule and times until one to two weeks before the competition. I will post times immediately upon receiving them. You are responsible for obtaining these times and reporting to the competition site at least one hour prior to first dance. At this time the student should be in

costume and with his or her group. Every parent should have a clean copy of the music in case of a problem. Please keep a checklist of everything you need for costumes. Failure to bring part of the costume may result in the student not being able to perform that routine. It is your responsibility to make reservations for hotels. I suggest you book your hotel rooms in advance. Competition forms must be handed in by my deadline to allow me time to organize and review them. Forms not handed in by the deadline will have a \$10.00 late fee added to the account. All fees are due with the forms. NO CREDIT CARDS only checks written to MgM Dance Studio. Forms will not be accepted without payment. Payment is non refundable for any reason according to competition rules. A student may not compete if there is a balance on his/her account!

Privates:

It is suggested that competition students take a private or semi-private class. Students who have taken private lessons in the past seem to gain more confidence and have an easier time learning group dances. Students are responsible for their own costumes (not used by any group) and music. It is also the responsibility of the student to make a back up CD and practice before competing. Students and parents requesting to schedule a private lesson or extra class must schedule through Ms. Julianne. Students requesting to have extra classes **must pay on that day or at the beginning of the month.** Students will only be allowed to perform once for the recitals. If a student has two different duo partners an exception will be for the duos only not for solos. All classes must be paid with tuition by the 1st of the month. There are no refunds for missed classes unless your teacher has been notified in advanced. Students must be willing to accept a substitute if the teacher is absent. (If paying for a senior teacher and a junior teacher substitutes, credit will be given.) Only classes that have been cancelled in advance will be made up. All private classes must be started by December 1st to be allowed to perform in the recital. Any student missing more than 5 privates during the school year may result in forfeiting his/her private time slot. Students are responsible to bring 2 copies of their CDs for competition. **Any student that is not a part of a competition team, with permission from the Director may take their solos/duos/trios to competition (WITH PERMISSION ONLY)**

Solo/Duo Prices

Sr. Teacher \$16.00 ½ hour private
\$14.00 ½ hour semi-private
Jr. Teacher \$14.00 ½ hour private
\$12.00 ½ hour semi-private

Observations

Parents will be allowed to view the last five minutes of choreography class only during the last full week of the month to view new steps and ask any questions. This policy also applies to all solo, duo, and trio classes. Parents will not be allowed to sit in an entire class or interrupt during class (this includes private and semi private classes). It is suggested to video tape all new routines to help your child practice. It is recommended you pose questions to the office staff, or ask them to set up an appointment with either Mary Mock or any other teacher. You may also e-mail me at mgmdancestudio@gmail.com.

Parades and Extra Shows:

It is mandatory for all competition students to attend parades and/or shows. Any students not able to attend for a GOOD reason must speak to Mary Mock. Throughout the year, the students will be asked to perform at shows. I feel that this is an honor to be asked and a great experience for the children. I will notify you as soon as I have dates and times. I expect everyone to make his or her best effort to be there for the show.

Payments:

Starburst: \$72.00
Star Dust: \$120.00
Dazzling Stars: \$145.00
Starbrites: \$140.00
Star Struck: \$150.00

Moonbeams: \$62.00

Solar Waves: \$78.00

Any Additional Classes:

1 ¼ hrs or longer \$30.00 per class

1 hrs or shorter \$25.00 per class

Payment is due by the 1st of the month. There will be a \$10.00 late charge for amounts less than \$100.00 for payments made after the 7th of the month. There will be a \$15.00 late charge for amounts larger than \$101.00 for payments made after the 1st of the month. There is a \$25.00 fee for all returned checks.

Possible Recital Dates

Dress rehearsal is scheduled for Saturday May 19th or June 2rd. Recital is scheduled for Saturday June 2nd and 3rd or June 9th and 10th. Competition students must attend all recitals and dress rehearsals that they are performing in. Again, please don't plan vacations until after July 4th.

Possible Picture Day: May 5th or 12th

Fundraisers:

The studio will be doing Claire's Gourmet, Fundcrazr tickets, car wash in the fall and another more fundraiser in the spring.

Costume Fees:

Costumes will not be handed out unless they are paid in full. Accounts must be up to date in order to receive the costume. No costumes will be ordered without a deposit. Late deposits will be taken with a \$20.00 late fee. Any students requesting a change or return will be subject to \$20.00 service charge. Please be aware that sometimes costumes may not be exchanged and cannot be returned due to the company's rules. Any alterations will need to be made by you. **Solo, duo and trio costumes must be approved by director.**

Studio Closing:

In the event of inclement weather, please call (717)227-9488 after 2 pm for evening class and after 8 am for morning classes. You may also check the studio Facebook and emails. There will be some extra days in the schedule for makeup classes. We do not give refunds or credits for closings.

We will be closed for the following holidays:

Labor Day

Halloween (Varies on day of week)

Thanksgiving- Thursday, Friday and Saturday

Christmas Break-Christmas Eve-New year's day

Easter- Good Friday and Saturday

Memorial Day- Monday

4th of July

Summer is mandatory for competition students and there will be no discounts for vacations

Absentees:

Students of competition groups must make class time a priority. There will be a limit of absentees for the competition groups. **Competition Students may only miss 10 classes;** Pre-comp classes may miss no more than 5 classes. You must notify the studio if you will be absent or late. Please know that I do not want your children attending with an illness. This rule was set up so that students do not miss class because of poor excuses. If classes are missed, it is the students' responsibility to learn the steps missed on his or her own before the next class. Excessive tardiness will result in a ½ class absence. If the student is late more than three times and misses more than 5 classes, a meeting will be scheduled between the parents, student and studio director. Excessive tardiness may result in suspension from the group. There will be, from time to time, extra practices to benefit your children, which I will expect them to attend. It is suggested to get homework done early and not leave class.

Studio and Competition Rule:

There is absolutely no smoking anywhere in the studio.

Good conduct is expected from all students, parents, and visitors in the dance rooms, waiting rooms and competitions.

Any person who is constantly disruptive will be asked to leave. Any one speaking negatively about the studio, studio polices, teachers, students, etc. will be asked to leave the waiting room and if continued the studio. No gum chewing, eating or drinking in the dance rooms. Water is allowed As this is a professional business, parents are responsible for the care and the control of students and other siblings in the waiting room. No one is allowed in the office except for the office staff. There will be no tolerance for any students or parents behaving in a un-sportsman like manner. Parents will not coach their child or teacher, director or any other student during class or during competition- this is the director's job. Also, the decision as to where a student is placed is the decision of the director. Any parent or student discussing the placement or the ability of other students will be asked to leave the competition group. Push-ups, time-out or sitting out of class will be used as discipline of behavior and rules. This has worked for the studio in the past and some students are the strongest kids in their schools. Students may receive push-ups for improper dress or tardiness. They also may be asked to sit out of class. Absolutely NO CELL PHONES in any class. We reserve the right to hold the cell phone until the end of class if these rule broken. My goal for these students is to have discipline, bring out their natural talents, become a team member, and be proud of themselves, their group and their studio. Those students who do not have the same goals do not belong in a competition group. We reserve the right to ask a student or a parent to leave the studio if he/she is in violation of any of the rules. These rules apply to all parents and students: there are no exceptions!! Students that compete with MGM Dance studio (private or group) may NOT attend other studios without permission from the director.

Please read the whole contract carefully and return

I have read the competition contract and general rules of MgM Dance Studio and agree to follow the rules set for competition. I realize that competition classes require more time, dedication, and money than regular classes. I agree that it is my job to encourage my child to practice and keep his/her commitment to the group.

_____ Parent

_____ Date

I have read the competition contract and general rules of MgM Dance Studio and agree to follow the rules set for competition. I realize that competition classes require more time, dedication, and money than regular classes. I promise to practice and keep my commitment to the group.

_____ Student

_____ Date