



MgM Dance Studio

“A Leap Above the Rest”

**TAP HIP HOP
JAZZ BALLET**
Creative Movement & More

“YOU choose the course of study YOU want!!”

**STUDENT/PARENT
POLICY HANDBOOK**



MgM Dance Studio
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OUR PHILOSOPHY at MgM

Our mission is to provide a fun loving environment in which the students are taught to achieve their own unique abilities and talents. We strive to meet the needs of all students by offering numerous disciplines of dance on many levels. We strive to instill in each child that hard work produces achievement and that self-esteem comes with that achievement. Our dedicated staff teaches with positive reinforcement and promotes positive thinking, self-discipline, confidence and the setting of goals. They learn to work within a group to achieve that goal. Our students are constantly monitored as to their progress and are encouraged to develop creativity, poise, technique and self-esteem. Many friendships and good memories develop over the year. Whether you are a recreational or serious minded dancer, our mission is to provide the best education available at an affordable cost.

Registration

- The first month's tuition and costume deposit is due at the time of registration.
- We reserve the right to cancel or combine any class due to lack of enrollment.
- Students have the opportunity to perform at the yearend recital.

Tuition

- STUDIO CLASS RATES - Check Website for Current Rates (Click on Programs)
- PRIVATE/SEMI-PRIVATE RATES - Check Website for Current Rates (Click on Programs)
- Private & semi private classes must be paid at the beginning of the month. A make-up class will only be given if a cancellation is made 24 hours prior to class time.
- A private/semi- private contract must be signed.

Tuition / Incidental Charges

- All tuition is due and payable by the 1st of the month.
- Payments received after the 7th of the month will automatically be assessed a \$10 late fee/month on balances under \$100 and a \$15 late fee/month on balances over \$100.
- Students will be suspended from class if tuition is not paid for more than two months.
- Discounts will be offered for multiple classes
- A 5% discount will be offered for full payment for the year (Paid in September)
- A 5% discount will be given to siblings. Full tuition will be applied to the higher tuition rate.
- There will be a \$30 charge for all returned checks.
- Incidental charges must be paid at the time of the order.-We require a month's written notice of intention of withdrawal from class. You will be responsible for the month's tuition.
- NO REFUNDS FOR ANY REASON

Observation Week

Parents will be allowed to enter the dance room during the last five minutes of the last full week of the month.

Make-up Classes

- Make-up classes are available if there is a parallel class and the studio is notified.
- We do not give refunds or credit for absences
- A student must not miss more than 10 classes if he/she wishes to participate in the recital

Studio Closing

- In the event of inclement weather, check website www.mgmdancestudio.com, Facebook or call 717-227-9488 after 2PM weekdays and 8AM for morning for Saturday classes

Holidays

Labor Day -Saturday-Monday
Thanksgiving-Thursday-Sunday
Christmas-Christmas Eve through New Year's Day
Easter-Good Friday - Easter Sunday
Memorial Day - Monday
Fourth of July

Recital and Costumes

- There will be an admittance charge for the recital
- 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 purchase for \$30.00. You will have a choice of selling ads for the recital booklet or pay 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 \$80.00 in ads and get \$40.00 off recital fee
Selling Ads	Each additional \$20.00 sold, will receive 1 free ticket	

- All students will be measured in October for the mid-June recital
- A \$35.00 costume deposit is due per child/ costume at registration.
- Costume balances are due by December 1st. Costumes will not be ordered until full payment is made
- There is a \$25 late fee per costume after December 1st
- Orders placed after January 1st will not be guaranteed delivery by class pictures or recital.
- No refunds for any reason unless notice is given by December 1^s.
- A student may not miss more than 10 classes to participate in the recital

Safety

- We ask parents to escort young children into the waiting room and pick them up after class also in the waiting room.
- Students should not be in the parking lot unattended unless of proper age

Parent Code of Conduct

- It is the responsibility of parents to supervise their children while in the waiting room.
- It is the responsibility of parents to look through the lost and found items.
- We expect courteous, polite and respectful behavior of all. A negative behavior or an action that may provoke hostility, will not be tolerated and cause a parent to be asked to leave.
- A parent is not to interrupt a class while in progress.
- Parents are to respect the recommendations of a teacher as to class level placement. Students will be placed in a class according to the age, ability and progression in ability during class.
- No smoking in and around the studio.
- As this is a professional business, parents are responsible for the care and control of children in the waiting room.

Student Code of Conduct

- Students are to attend class regularly.
- Students are to be on time for classes. The warm-ups are just as important as the class itself.
- Students are to follow the dress code.
- Students are to be friendly to all other students and exhibit teamwork.
- Students shall exhibit respect to all personal and not challenge authority and adhere to all instructions.
- Students are to clean up after themselves.
- Students are to put forth 100% of their efforts.
- No gum chewing in the studio area.
- No food or drink in dance rooms.

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Dress Code

**** NO Jewelry Please Except for stud earrings****

Ballet Classes

Black Leotard (Any Style)

Pink Tights

Pink Leather Ballet Shoes

Please no slippers from walmart

Hair in a neat bun

Hip Hop

Dance Shorts/Jazz Pants

Tight fitting tank or shirt

Please NO skirts, jeans or sweat of any kind

Black Hip Hop Sneakers

Black/White Converse or all black sneakers

Hair must be pull back out of face

Jazz

Any Color Leotard

Tights and dance shorts/Jazz Pants

Black Jazz shoes

Hair must be pull back out of face

Tumbling

Any Color Leotard and dance shorts
or a Biketard

Hair must be pull back out of face

Tap

Any Color Leotard

Tights and dance shorts/Jazz Pants

CM classes use Black Mary Jane Tap Shoes

Level 1 and 2 classes use Black u-shell tap shoes

Level 3 and 4 classes use Black Oxford Tap Shoes

Hair must be pull back out of face

Ballet and Tap

Black Leotard (Any Style)

Pink Tights

Pink Leather Ballet Shoes

Please no slippers from walmart

CM classes use Black Mary Jane Tap Shoes

Level 1 and 2 classes use Black u-shell tap shoes

Hair in a neat bun

Tap and Jazz

Any Color Leotard

Tights and dance shorts/Jazz Pants

Black Jazz shoes

Level 1 and 2 classes use Black u-shell tap shoes

Hair must be pull back out of face

Boys Hip Hop

Black Hip Hop Sneakers

Black/White Converse or all black sneakers

Sweats and Basketball Shorts

Tight T-shirt or tank

Belly Dancing

Bare Feet

Shorts/Pants or swets

Tight T-Shirt/Tank Top or belly Shirt

Hair must be pull back out of face

What we offer - Check out the list of classes. There are many fun types of dance. You may want to sample a few to find your favorite!

Class Descriptions

Ballet: Ballet serves as the backbone of many styles of dance. It is a theatrical art form using stretching, turning, leaping, etc to convey a story or theme. Through the discipline of ballet students improve in grace, strength, flexibility, and coordination. Classes consist of barre work, center and across the floor work

Belly Dance: It is a unique form of dance characterized by sharp, rolling movements of the hips and abdomen. A popular choice of dance by adults for fun and exercise.

Creative Movement: A class for preschoolers which introduces the child to dance and where they will learn movement in a fun way to build self-confidence, poise, balance and grace. Activities include movement preparation, development of locomotive skills, rhythm and basic dance steps. There are three classes - creative movement with ballet, tap or tumbling. Creative movement/ ballet seems to be the favorite. These youngsters are a part of our ballet production.

Hip Hop: This class is great for students who just want to have fun! Hip Hop includes various moves such as breaking, popping, funk, locking etc. You will learn the latest moves that you see in music videos. An all boys class is also held which is quite popular.

Jazz: It is an upbeat energetic form of dance using bold, dramatic body movements. Students learn the technical aspects such as flexibility, turns, jumps, and balance done to jazz/modern music

Lyrical: A combination of jazz and ballet using face and body to express emotion to a piece of music. Music with lyrics is used and the emphasis is on balance, extension, and control as well as emotional expression.

Pointe: a form of ballet for advanced students on a special shoe, which enables the student to raise her body on the tips of her toes.

Tap: A form of dance in which tap shoes are used to create rhythmic patterns with or without music. Tap focuses on intricate steps with upper body grace. Emphasis is placed on the clarity of sounds and rhythm.

Tumbling: A class set up to help the student gain strength and flexibility to master acrobatic tricks. This class utilizes gymnastics and dance.

Comments from graduating students

“MgM is a great dance studio with many different kinds of dance classes for all age groups. I knew Miss Mary as a young child, enrolled in her studio when it first opened, and continued to dance on one of the competition teams into high school. As a student at Towson University, I took several dance classes, including a class at a French University during my semester abroad. All body types are welcomed and encouraged. I strongly believe that dance teaches lifelong lessons of body awareness, discipline, dedication, and artistic expression. I have even read that it improves your memory. Most importantly, it is FUN. You make friends for life. “

“Who knew when I started dance 12 years ago it would end several years later with connections to people like you that will last forever. I will never forget how you and dance shaped my life”

“Thank you for teaching me these past 12 years! I never would have realized how much I love dancing if it weren't for you. Thank you for encouraging me and giving me dance.”

“Thank you for all the wonderful years of dance and everything you taught me from dance steps to life;\`s lessons. You'll always have a place in my heart”

“After the twelve years that I have been dancing under your direction, I Really wanted to tell you how grateful I am for you and the time I spent at MgM. Not only have I met some of my best friends and mentors here, I have gained so much confidence and the ability to appreciate myself”

“Literally growing up at the studio with these girls and teachers has Taught me so much and this knowledge goes much further than Pirouettes and split leaps. I want to thank you for your patience and guidance.”

Adult Classes



Power of Dance Recital 2014



Stewartstown Parade



York Revolution Game 2013

