Tuition and Fees Policies

1. Registration Fee

 There is a \$35 non-refundable registration fee due upon registration per student or a max of \$50 per immediate family member.

2. Tuition Due Date

- Tuition is due on the 5th of each month.
- If you miss a class, you have the opportunity to attend a different scheduled class. Therefore, your monthly tuition is non-refundable.

3. Payment Methods

- Monthly tuition can be paid with a credit or debit card through your parent portal or by check.
- Payments made with a credit or debit card will incur a processing fee of 3.05% + \$0.30 per transaction.
- To avoid the processing fee, you may pay by check before the 5th of each month.

4. Late Fee

 A \$25 late fee will be added to your account if tuition is not paid by the 10th of the month.

5. Declined or Returned Check Fee

• A \$25 fee will be charged for any declined or returned checks.

6. Saved Form of Payment

- Families are required to have a card saved on file through the parent portal but are not required to use this payment method.
- Without a saved form of payment, the dancer will not be allowed to participate in classes.

7. Class Withdrawal Fee

• If a student drops a class without providing a 30-day notice, a \$50 fee will be charged in addition to the tuition for that month.

8. Tuition Refund Policy

Tuition is non-refundable under any circumstances.

9. Tuition Calculation

- Tuition is based on the full school year and is broken down into monthly payments.
- Therefore, tuition is not prorated for school breaks (Fall, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Spring).

Make-Up Classes

- Make-up classes are only valid within the same season. Once the season ends, any unused make-up classes will no longer be valid.
- Make-up classes are required to be scheduled ahead of time.

Absences

- If your child is going to be absent, please contact the office at upliftdanceducation@gmail.com or call 224-828-0801.
- Make-up classes are offered but must be scheduled through the office.
- Classes may be canceled due to inclement weather. Make-up classes can be scheduled through the office. All closure notices will be sent out via email, Band, and posted on social media.

Drop Off/Pick Up

• Dancers aged 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult before and after classes.

Minimum Class Numbers

- If a class does not reach the minimum number of 3-4 students required, it may be canceled or combined with another class.
- If a class is canceled, you will be notified by email and phone, and we will work to place the student in a different class.

Class Changes

- All class changes, including transfers and drops, must be handled through the office.
- You are responsible for notifying the office of any changes.
- You will be responsible for tuition payments even if you did not attend the class due to not contacting the office.
- Please note that all students are enrolled for the entire session, whether it is fall, winter, spring, or summer.
- A 30-day notice is required for any student to drop a class.
- You can notify the office at upliftdanceducation@gmail.com or 224-828-0801.

Communication

- An active email address is required at the time of registration.
- A weekly recap is sent out every Monday with important information.
- Please allow 24 hours for the office and teachers to respond to inquiries.
- We use The Band App as a tool for communication. This is where pictures, videos, and important information will be sent out. You can also message your teacher directly.
- We have an exclusive parents' Facebook page where important information, specials, and pictures will be posted: www.facebook.com/groups/upliftdancevip/
- Parent meetings and Parent Peek Weeks will be scheduled throughout the year to keep you informed and involved in your child's progress and studio events.

Performances

1. Dance Sessions

- Dance sessions work just like the school year. We start our fall/winter/spring session in the fall when school starts.
- We can have a Christmas/winter performance for parents at the studio. After the holidays, we resume classes just like school.
- In the spring, around when school lets out for summer, we put on a recital for students to show off what they have learned to parents, family, and friends.

2. Christmas Performance

 Dancers will have the opportunity to perform in a Christmas show at the studio or outside the venue during class time during the week of December 9th-14th. Ticket fees may apply.

3. Studio Recital

- The studio-wide spring recital will be on Saturday, April 26th, 2025. Time and location TBD.
- Recital tickets will be \$15 each, and children 2 and under are free. Dancers who perform in the recital do not need a ticket.
- Tickets will go on sale at the beginning of March 2025.

Costume Fees and Recital Participation

1. Christmas Costume Fee

- A \$45 fee is required for the Christmas costume.
- Christmas costume fees are due on October 5th, 2024

2. Recital Costume Fees

- For Music, Movement, and Tumble classes: \$60.
- For all other classes: \$85.
- This includes tights but shoes are not provided.
- Recital costume fees are due January 5th, 2025

3. Recital Participation

- All dancers are expected to participate in the recital unless a formal decline is submitted via email by December 20th, 2024.
- Tickets for the recital are \$15 each.
- If the dancer drops the recital after the participation date there will be a \$50 drop fee

Tuition and Pricing

Monthly Tuition Per Dancer

\$65	30 minutes
\$80	45 minutes
\$140	90 minutes
\$200	2 hours 15 minutes
\$250	3 hours
\$290	3 hours 45 minutes
\$340	Unlimited Classes

Studio Calendar

September

- 3rd Fall Classes Start

October

- 5th Christmas Costume Payment Due
- 10th-15th AISD Fall Break No Classes
- 24th-30th Halloween Dress-up Week
- 31st No Classes (Contact Office For Makeup Class)

November

- 26th-12/1 Thanksgiving Break No Classes
- 25th-27th Dance Camp

December

- Nursing Home Performance
- 9th-14th Christmas Performances in Classes
- 19th-January 7th Winter Break
- 20th Recital Participation decision due

January

- 5th Recital Costume Payment Due
- 8th Classes Resume

February

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March

- 10th-17th Spring Break No Classes
- 10th-12th Dance Camp

April

- 7th-12th Picture Week
- 26th Recital Day

May

- 19th-24th Last Week of Classes

June

- 2nd Summer Session starts

Subject to change: updated calendars will be published as needed.

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