

New Class Structure for 2020-2021

We are excited to announce a new program and some exciting changes to classes offered for the 2020-2021 dance season. At Joy of Dance, we strive to nurture and develop talent, celebrate the achievements of all students, and inspire our love and appreciation of all styles of dance. It is our belief that dance is for everybody! We also understand that commitment levels vary, for many reasons, and we want to make dance available to every level of commitment

Shooting Stars Classes- ages 5-7 – New Format

The new format for our Shooting Stars levels will allow our dancers to better customize what styles they are interested in taking. Ballet, Tap and Jazz will be offered in 30 minute time slots for each individual style. We are excited about the flexibility this offers our dance families.

The benefits of this new structure are:

Customize the styles your dancer wishes to take

Perform a different recital piece for each style

Perfect class length to keep little minds engaged and active

Foundational classes- ages 8 to 10

Dance Adventures, Rhythm Tap 1 & 2, and Hip Hop

The class structure for these classes will remain the same.

Dance Explore

This class will now be 45 minutes in length. We are confident this will help provide a more focused class time and allow those who enjoy participating in sports and other performing arts programs to have more time to pursue other activities as well.

Foundational classes- ages 10 and up

Foundation classes for ages 10 and up (ballet, jazz, tap 3 and tap 4/5, contemporary modern, lyrical, musical theater and hip hop) will all be **45 minutes in** length, opening up dancers to have more time to try other styles that they are interested in. In addition, it will provide a more focused class time and allow those who enjoy participating in sports and other performing arts programs to have more time to pursue other activities as well.

New- Extension Program- ages 8 and up

For the next dance season, we are proud to announce our new Extension Program for the more serious dancer. Just imagine the opportunity for your dancer to achieve a higher level of training in focused technique classes with other dancers who have similar goals, all while still fostering a love for creativity and expression!

Our extension program is designed to build upon the technique learned in our dancer's foundation classes. Dancers attending classes in this program, will be working on more advanced techniques, such as fouettés, turns in second, switch leaps, advanced pick up combinations. These classes are purely technique based and will not be performance classes.

In these classes we will also work deeper with goal setting, both within the dance studio and beyond. Dancers in the extension program will have the opportunity to audition for our Joy of Dance Company.

Requirements

Extension Ballet- 1 foundational jazz, 2 foundational ballet

Extension Jazz- 1 foundational jazz, 2 foundational ballet

Extension Tap- 1 foundational tap

If you want to work hard and progress faster, then we look forward to welcoming you into this wonderful new program!

Joy of Dance Performance Team & Hip Hop Troupe

These classes will remain the same structure, however, requirements for Team will change slightly.

Requirements

Performance Team ages 10 and up- 1 Foundational Jazz, 1 Foundational Ballet, 1 extra Foundational Style- either lyrical, contemporary modern or an extra foundational ballet (highly recommended)

Teen and Senior Hip Hop Troupe- hip hop, 1 foundational jazz

New- Joy of Dance Company

In addition to our Performance Teams and Troupes, we will also have Joy of Dance Company. Company dancers will attend an additional competition where they will be able to take the feedback they receive at the first competition and apply corrections towards the next competition. In addition to the two competitions, Company will join us at all community events, such as the Lee Town Fair and the Barrington Fair.

Reasons to audition for this new program:

You are not involved in any other extracurricular activities that could interfere with your class, rehearsals, or performance commitments.

You are passionate about dance and fully committed to attending all classes and rehearsals

You're focused on competing for the feedback, not for what award you might get

Dancers must audition to be accepted into the Company.

Company Requirements

*Foundational Jazz

*2 Foundational Ballet

*Extension Ballet

*Extension Jazz

*Performance Team