

# Stella Information and Policies



Please register for classes as soon as possible. Spots will not be held without a registration fee, September tuition, and online student waiver. Registration fees are \$20 per student or \$25 per family.

- Students must be at least 3 years old by September 1<sup>st</sup> to register in our regular season classes. (Does not include Pre-Twinklers)
- If a class does not have at least 4 students enrolled by September 5<sup>th</sup>, the class will be cancelled and refunds will be given at that time.
- There are no refunds on registration fees.
- New students will be accepted through November if there is space available.
- If your dancer chooses to withdraw from the program anytime after October 31<sup>st</sup>, tuition for the month in which he or she drops still needs to be paid and there will be a \$25 drop fee.

**Classes** will run from September thru May with Holiday breaks that do not necessarily follow the school schedule. There are no refunds for missed classes. Attendance is critical to the development and discipline of dance. It is very important that students attend as many classes as possible. If a student is injured, they are more than welcome to come and watch class, but if they are sick and contagious, please stay at home and rest. Having a healthy body is number one!! Please call or email in advance when a student must miss a class. During the final four weeks before the recital or a competition, it is unacceptable to miss a class unless for health reasons. Doing so will result in being pulled from the recital.

Students will be placed in classes based on age and skill/experience level, which is determined by our staff.

Observing classes is not allowed except on predetermined dates. We will let you know in advance what days are reserved for observation.

**Pictures** will be held in the month of March or April. Students must wear their costumes and be in the picture even if they will not be ordering any photos.

**Please use the bathroom** before entering the classroom. If small children cannot go to the bathroom by themselves, please stay in the lobby area to help them if need be. This also goes for students who have any kind of separation anxiety. We will do our best in class, but cannot have extra staff available if your child needs help outside of the classroom.

## **Discipline actions**

- 1) Child gets a verbal warning and is redirected.
- 2) Verbal warning is reiterated.
- 3) Child must sit and watch class for 3-5 minutes (usually during a fun game).
- 4) Child needs to sit in lobby with parent.

After the situation is over, the teacher will discuss what happened with the child and help the child brainstorm ways to prevent it from happening again. If you feel like it would be a good idea to stay in the lobby for your child, please do. The teachers will always be able to explain to you how your child is behaving in class.

## Tuition

For everyone's convenience, we will be using an automated recurring billing system. If you wish to pay by cash or check, you can do so before the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month. On the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month, we will run the credit card on file for the remaining balance. Therefore, everyone must have a credit or debit card on file with the studio. This should eliminate any late charges and past due accounts.

- A \$15 late fee will be charged to your account if it is not paid by the 5<sup>th</sup>. This \$15 late fee will be charged weekly until the account is paid.
- Need help paying your account? Please reach out to Stephanie Boden at stelladancestaff@gmail.com to set up a payment plan and avoid any late fees.
- You can login to your account at stelladancestudio.com at any time to view your balance or make a payment.  
**You will find the tuition price on the Class Description Page.**
- If a student wishes to discontinue their membership in a class, you must pay for that full month, as we do not charge per class. There will also be a \$25 drop fee if the dancer decides to drop after October 31<sup>st</sup>.
- There are no refunds for weather cancellations. Please watch for the Prescott School District closings, which will indicate Stella to be closed as well.
- For every other child in the family, there is a discount of \$5 per month for the first year. Boys are half price tuition for their first year enrollment.
- Costumes are ordered in November for the May recital and payment is due on November 1st. They will be \$60-\$70 each and all students will need one costume per class unless they are in the competition lines. This payment is non-refundable and will not be ordered without payment. Students need a costume for pictures in March/April and the recital in May.

## Dress Code and Class information

Our dress code is very important to us at Stella and to the learning and progression of your dancer. Please make sure you follow the rules for each class.

Summer classes and session classes: Students may wear any color as long as they are dance clothes. No jeans please.

Regular season classes:

- **Twinklers Classes**
  - **Hair Off the Face:** For your child's safety, Children MUST have their hair up and off of their face. If your child doesn't have their hair up, they will be sent out of class to fix it. This includes the shorter haired children as well! Hair binders are available for purchase at the front desk.
  - **No Jewelry:** No necklaces, earrings (studs are okay), or bracelets (which includes silly bands).
  - **Light Pink Tights:** MUST BE purchased from Stella Dance Studio to ensure uniform color. Please see front desk for sizing options.
  - **BLACK Leotard:** NO designs, colors, shapes, or excessive rhinestones allowed. NO SKIRTS OR SHORTS attached to the leotard are allowed.
  - **Pink Ballet Shoes:** Please label. Any kind pink ballet shoe is acceptable until January. \*After January 1st (during the regular dance season), ALL shoes must be purchased through Stella Dance Studio so the class has the same shoes for pictures/recital.
  - **Black Tie Tap Shoes:** Please label. Any kind black tap shoe is acceptable until January. \*After January 1st (during the regular dance season), ALL shoes must be purchased through Stella Dance Studio so the class has the same shoes for pictures/recital.

- **Dance Bag:** Each child should have a LABELED dance bag that they can take into class for changing shoes.
  - **\*\*\*Optional:** LIGHT PINK or BLACK detachable ballet skirt is optional for class. We need these to be detachable so that if your child is distracted or playing with their skirt, it can be removed to concentrate on dancing.
  - Failure to adhere to the dress code will result in a note home to get approved attire so that the student can return to/attend class. Consistent non-compliance to the dress code will result in appropriate disciplinary action.
- **Starlettes Tap/Jazz Classes**
    - **Hair Off the Face:** For your child's safety, Children MUST have their hair up and off of their face. If your child doesn't have their hair up, they will be sent out of class to fix it. This includes the shorter haired children as well! Hair binders are available for purchase at the front desk.
    - **No Jewelry:** No necklaces, earrings (studs are okay), or bracelets (which includes silly bands).
    - **Tights are Optional:** If your dancer chooses to wear tights to class, please make sure they are tan stirrup tights (these will be used for the recital). These tights should be purchased from Stella Dance Studio. Please see front desk for sizing options.
    - **Any Colored Comfortable Form-fitting Clothing:** Acceptable clothing includes leotards, shorts, jazz pants, tank tops, and t-shirts.
    - **Tan Half Ballet Shoes:** Please label. Any kind jazz shoe is acceptable until January. \*After January 1st (during the regular dance season), ALL shoes must be purchased through Stella Dance Studio so the class has the same shoes for pictures/recital.
    - **Black Strappy Tap Shoes:** Please label. Any kind tap shoe is acceptable until January. \*After January 1st (during the regular dance season), ALL shoes must be purchased through Stella Dance Studio so the class has the same shoes for pictures/recital.
    - **Starlettes II Intermediate will need Black Leo Tap Shoes:** Please label. Any kind tap shoe is acceptable until January. \*After January 1st (during the regular dance season), ALL shoes must be purchased through Stella Dance Studio so the class has the same shoes for pictures/recital.
- **Hip Hop Classes**
    - **Hair Off the Face:** For your child's safety, Children MUST have their hair up and off of their face. If your child doesn't have their hair up, they will be sent out of class to fix it. This includes the shorter haired children as well! Hair binders are available for purchase at the front desk.
    - **No Jewelry:** No necklaces, earrings (studs are okay), or bracelets (which includes silly bands).
    - **Tights are Optional:** If your dancer chooses to wear tights to class, please make sure they are tan stirrup tights (these will be used for the recital). These tights should be purchased from Stella Dance Studio. Please see front desk for sizing options.
    - **Any Colored Comfortable Form-fitting Clothing:** Acceptable clothing includes leotards, shorts, jazz pants, tank tops, and t-shirts.
    - **Clean Tennis Shoes.**
- **Pom and Beginning Lyrical Class**
    - **Hair Off the Face:** For your child's safety, Children MUST have their hair up and off of their face. If your child doesn't have their hair up, they will be sent out of class to fix it. This includes the shorter haired children as well! Hair binders are available for purchase at the front desk.
    - **No Jewelry:** No necklaces, earrings (studs are okay), or bracelets (which includes silly bands).

- **Tights are Optional:** If your dancer chooses to wear tights to class, please make sure they are tan stirrup tights (these will be used for the recital). These tights should be purchased from Stella Dance Studio. Please see front desk for sizing options.
  - **Any Colored Comfortable Form-fitting Clothing:** Acceptable clothing includes leotards, shorts, jazz pants, tank tops, and t-shirts.
  - **Tan Half Ballet Shoes:** Please label. Any kind jazz shoe is acceptable until January. \*After January 1st (during the regular dance season), ALL shoes must be purchased through Stella Dance Studio so the class has the same shoes for pictures/recital.
- **Ballet Classes (Recreational and Competition Students)**
    - **Hair Off the Face:** For your child's safety, Children MUST have their hair up and off of their face. If your child doesn't have their hair up, they will be sent out of class to fix it. This includes the shorter haired children as well! Hair binders are available for purchase at the front desk.
    - **No Jewelry:** No necklaces, earrings (studs are okay), or bracelets (which includes silly bands).
    - **Light Pink Tights:** MUST BE purchased from Stella Dance Studio to ensure uniform color. Please see front desk for sizing options.
    - **BLACK Leotard:** NO designs, colors, shapes, or excessive rhinestones allowed. NO SKIRTS OR SHORTS attached to the leotard are allowed.
    - **Pink Ballet Shoes:** Please label. Any kind ballet shoe is acceptable until January. \*After January 1st (during the regular dance season), ALL shoes must be purchased through Stella Dance Studio so the class has the same shoes for pictures/recital.
    - **\*\*\*Optional:** LIGHT PINK or BLACK detachable ballet skirt is optional for class. We need these to be detachable so that if your child is distracted or playing with their skirt, it can be removed to concentrate on dancing.
    - Failure to adhere to the dress code will result in a note home to get approved attire so that the student can return to/attend class. Consistent non-compliance to the dress code will result in appropriate disciplinary action.
- **Competition Lines**
    - **Hair Off the Face:** For your child's safety, Children MUST have their hair up and off of their face. If your child doesn't have their hair up, they will be sent out of class to fix it. This includes the shorter haired children as well! Hair binders are available for purchase at the front desk.
    - **No Jewelry:** No necklaces, earrings (studs are okay), or bracelets (which includes silly bands).
    - **Tights are Optional:** If your dancer chooses to wear tights to class, please make sure they are tan stirrup tights for jazz classes. These tights should be purchased from Stella Dance Studio. Please see front desk for sizing options.
    - **Black Form-fitting Clothing:** Acceptable clothing includes leotards, shorts, jazz pants, tank tops, and t-shirts.
    - **Tan Half Ballet Shoes:** Please label. Any kind jazz shoe is acceptable until January. \*After January 1st (during the regular dance season), ALL shoes must be purchased through Stella Dance Studio so the class has the same shoes for pictures/recital/competitions.
    - **Black Tap Shoes:** Please label. Any kind tap shoe is acceptable until January. \*After January 1st (during the regular dance season), ALL shoes must be purchased through Stella Dance Studio so the class has the same shoes for pictures/recital/competitions. At this time, we will tell you what style of tap shoe you will need to order for competitions.

CLASS	TIGHTS	SHOES
Twinklers I Twinklers II	Pink Footed	Black tap shoes (Ultimate Tie Tap) Pink ballet shoes (Relevé Ballet )
Starlettes I Beginner Starlettes II Beginner Starlettes I Intermediate Starlettes II Intermediate	Tan Stirrup	Black tap shoes (Strappy taps or Baby Doll Taps) Half Ballet Shoes
Hip Hop Pom Beginning Lyrical	Tan Stirrup	Half Ballet Shoes
All Ballet Classes	Pink Footed	Pink Ballet Shoes (Relevé Ballet or Bloch Split Sole)
Boys	N/A	Black jazz shoes (EZY Jazz) Black Tap Shoes (Boy's tap)

We will order shoes in the summer and students will be able to try them on at the Open House for sizes. After that, they will be ordered on a monthly basis. We understand that many people come from different studios and have different color shoes. These are fine to wear for the first part of the season, but by January 1<sup>st</sup> your student must have the correct pair of shoes for pictures and the recital.

#### **Stella Dance Studio's Fee Breakdown**

Registration Fee	\$20/student	\$25/family
Tuition Late Fee	\$15/week	\$30 for returned checks
Costumes	\$60-\$70	

#### **Discounts**

No registration fee if a student is enrolled by May 1st.

When one child is enrolled, all other family members enrolled received \$5 off tuition every month.

2<sup>nd</sup> Class each child is enrolled is 10% off entire monthly bill, 3<sup>rd</sup> class and so on is 20% off total tuition

Boys are ½ price tuition for their first year enrollment.

#### **Holidays-No classes**

Halloween- Oct. 31      Thanksgiving- Nov. 19-25      Winter Break- Dec. 23-Jan. 1      Spring Break- March 2-10

#### **Important Dates**

<input type="checkbox"/> Prescott Daze Practices	September 7 <sup>th</sup> and 9 <sup>th</sup>
<input type="checkbox"/> Prescott Daze Parade	September 9 <sup>th</sup>
<input type="checkbox"/> CLASSES START	SEPTEMBER 10TH
<input type="checkbox"/> Halloween Dress Up Week/Treats	October 22-26 <sup>th</sup>
<input type="checkbox"/> Winter Observation Week	December 17-21 <sup>st</sup>
<input type="checkbox"/> Holiday Dress Up Week	December 17-21 <sup>st</sup>
<input type="checkbox"/> Valentines Dress Up Week/Treats	February 11-15 <sup>th</sup>
<input type="checkbox"/> Pictures-No Classes	TBD
<input type="checkbox"/> Recital Dress Rehearsal @Prescott High School	TBD
<input type="checkbox"/> Recitals @Prescott High School	TBD