

Allure
Dance Creation
School of the Arts



2022-23

Handbook

August 29, 2022-June 30, 2023

This handbook will have all the information you will need to know for the entire year. Any additional information will be provided in our communication board.

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CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

Mermaid is a 30-minute class structured to stimulate coordination skills, listening skills, balance, music interpretation, creative movement and motor development in the youngest dancers, ages 2-3 years. This program is an excellent introduction to the world of dance.

Creative Movement is a combo class dedicated to our Twirlers ages 4-6. This 45-minute class dedicated to teaching a combination of Ballet and Jazz.

Blazing Stars is another 45-minute combo class dedicated to beginner dancers ages 7-12 years old. This class teaches a combination of Ballet, Jazz and Hip-Hop. Blazing Stars will receive the individual attention needed to enter our intermediate Modern/Intermediate Hip Hop class(es)

Acro-dance will be combined in all classes in Season 10. This is an acrobatic style class that combines floor rolls, cartwheels, tumbling, and aerial with basic dance techniques.

Kreative Dancers is an hour and 30 min. Senior hip hop class for dancers 10-17 years old. Kreative Dancers will learn from ADC's Master teacher who specializes in all types of Creative and advanced hip hop dance styles. Dancers who do not pass the audition stage of Kreative Dance will enter our Junior hip hop class, Dynamic Dancers.

Dance Divine is our Senior Contemporary dance team. Dance Divine is a two-hour class for advanced students 10-17 years old. Contemporary dance is a style of expressive dance that combines elements of several dance genres including Modern, Jazz, Lyrical & Ballet. Dancers who have not passed the auditioned phrase of Dance Divine, will enter our Junior Modern Fusion class, Dance Expressions.

TUITION RATES & FEES

1- Class Selection	\$45 monthly per dancer
2- Class Selections	\$75 monthly per dancer
3- Class Selections	\$100 monthly per dancer
Dance Divine	\$75 monthly per dancer
Kreative Dance	\$65 monthly per dancer
Competition + One	\$100 monthly per dancer

For each sibling, you will follow the same schedule as above. Example: If you have two kids and register them both for one class selection each, 1st dancer will be \$45 per month, 2nd dancer will be \$30 (a \$15 discount). Your total monthly payment will be \$75

Payment

Payments are due on the 3rd of each month and can be made using the cash app: \$GG2ADC or in the studio via cash, money order and credit card (3% surcharge). Tuition is not pro-rated for absences or studio closures. Your monthly rate will always remain the same whether a short month of 3- weeks or a long month of 5 weeks.

Late Payments:

Late notices will be sent via email/Band Messenger. If payment is not made on the 5th of each month, there will be a \$20 late fee. If payment plus late fee is still not paid by the 7th of the month, your dancer will not be allowed to return until all fees are made (tuition plus late fee).

Fees:

ADC has 3-4 additional fees:

- 1 *Competition Fee \$70(-/+) per performance per dancer. Info sent in comp team welcome package
- 2 **Costume Fees See page 8.
- 3 ***Recital Fee \$25 per dancer May 6, 2023
- 4 ****Recital Ticket \$10 per ticket (Dancers do not need a ticket)

Notes Regarding Fees:

**Costume Note: If classes change, then costume amount can also change. Costume fees are approximate and are subject to change.

IMPORTANT DATES

Season 10 Dates

Add these to your calendar.

ADC reserves the right to change these dates if needed.

Please visit your BAND page for the most up to date schedule.

3 rd of each month Sept. 2022.-June 2023	Tuition Due
August 29, 2022	First day of class
September 5	Closed for Labor Day
November 21-26	Closed for Thanksgiving break
December 16	Parent Observation Day
December 17, 2022-January 1, 2023	Closed for Holiday break. Class resume 1/2/23
February 11	Costume Fee Due
April 10-15	Closed for Spring Break
April 22 or TBD	Picture Day
May 1	Recital Tickets Available
May 6	Recital Fee Due
June 10-June 14 th	Closed for Studio Break. Class resumes 6/17
July 1	Season 10 Recital

Please note that we will have three (3) parent meetings throughout the year. The schedule will be posted on the parent portal BAND page.

Class Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday.	Saturday
Da Boyz: 6:00 -6:45	Mermaids 6:00 -6:30	Twirlers: 5:30-6:15	<i>Company Workshop</i>	Dance Divine: 9:45-12
	Open to additional class TBD	Blazing Stars 6:15-7:00	<i>Company Workshop</i>	KreativeDancer: 12:00-1:30
	Technique Class	Dance Expressions 7:00- 7:45	<i>Company Workshop</i>	Dynamic Dancer: 12:00-1:00

Schedule Changes

- Class Changes:** A student may drop and add classes at any time depending on availability.
- Withdrawals:** To withdraw a student from any class, you must notify the studio office. Failure to attend classes does not constitute a withdrawal. Students and their parents/guardians are responsible for giving a written or verbal notice of withdrawal, paying tuition and other fees incurred during this timeframe, and continuing to comply with the Handbook policy on payment. No refunds will be issued for the month if you decide to leave in the middle of any month. No costume fees, competition fees, or other fees will be refunded.

Communication

Allure Dance Creation uses the BAND app as our main source of 2-way communication. All parents are asked to stay in the know by turning on their BAND notification. In the BAND app:

- You can view weekly notifications
- You will find the sign in/out sheet
- The link for virtual classes can be found
- You can send me a private message
- I will post last minute memos like studio closures or delays and any other quick reminders.

How to use BAND:

- Download the BAND app. There are two Band Apps; please do Not download Band Kids



This is the correct one.

This is the



incorrect one.

- When signing up, please use your dancer's name but put your name in parenthesis: ex: Allure (Ms. Gee)
- Please do not use your child's birth year, you will have to use your birth year.

In a welcome email, you will receive an invite to join the page for Allure Dance Creation.

If you ever have any questions or concerns regarding BAND, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Preparing for Class

Dancers are to enter the dance studio fully dressed for class with proper dance wear and shoes on. Please be sure all cell phones and electronic devices left in dancer’s bags have their ringers and sounds set to silent. No gum/candy chewing. Water is allowed and highly encouraged.

Hair

Long hair that obstructs vision and / or interferes with a dancer’s performance must be pulled back and secured, preferably in a bun or ponytail.

Jewelry

PLEASE NONE. Stud Earrings Are Ok

Footwear

Please do not wear street shoes on dance floor.

Clothing

Mermaids, Twirlers, Acro, Dance Divine, Dance Expressions	Navy Blue Leotard ADC t-shirt is also allowed Black Tights or leggings (spandex), Black Ballet or Jazz shoes	\$15 Purchased from ADC Studio Purchase from Target/Walmart
Da Boyz, Kreative Dancers Dynamic Dancers	ADC t-shirt Black joggers or shorts. Ladies can wear black leggings (spandex) black sneakers	\$15 Purchased from ADC Studio Purchase from any outside sources
Blazing Stars	ADC t-shirt Navy blue leotard is also allowed Black leggings, black jazz shoes and black sneakers	\$15 Purchased from ADC Studio Purchase from any outside sources

Leotards and shirts are ordered in bulk on the dates below and take two weeks to arrive. Payment must be made at the time of your order. In the winter/cold days, students can wear a long sleeve shirt or sweater. OR an ADC jacket can be purchased.

- Blank Leotards \$15
- Printed t-shirts \$15
- Jackets name on back \$65/name of front \$75
- Sweatshirts \$25

ADC will order leotards and t-shirts on the following dates. Please allow 2 weeks to arrive. Sept 10, November 5th, February 3rd

ALL ABOUT RECITAL

Location of Rehearsal & Recital

July 1, 2023

Central Piedmont's New Theatre
1201 Elizabeth Ave. Charlotte NC 28204

Each year we have a recital that gives all our dancers and performers the opportunity to demonstrate their hard work and skills to an audience of family and friends. All students are encouraged to participate in the recital, but are not required to do so

Recital Fees: The annual recital fee of \$25 is due May 6, 2022. The recital fee assists with recorded cost of the auditorium, and program profile. If your dancer withdraws from classes after May 6, 2022, the recital fee will not be refunded.

Tickets: Tickets cost for the year end dance recital are \$10 per person for ages 4+. Dancers do not need a ticket. However, all family and friends are required to purchase a ticket at \$10 each.

Opting Out of Recital: Dancers must participate in recital for all classes or not participate in the recital at all. Dancers cannot pick and choose particular classes for recital. Students and parents are responsible for informing ADC if a student is not going to participate in recital. Students are assumed to be performing in end-of-year recital unless they have opted out in writing. Students who wish to opt out must do so for **all** their classes.

Costume Fees: Costume amounts are approximate and subject to change. Changes in a student's schedule can result in a change of costume and costume fees. Please note that this is merely an estimated cost.

Most class selections perform two dance routines:

Mermaids \$50

Twirlers & Blazing Stars \$55

Dance Expressions & Dynamic Dancers \$60

Dance Divine \$150 (recital+ comp)

Kreative Dancer \$150 (recital + comp)

Theme: This year we celebrate 10 years of success with wonderful dancers, parents, teachers, and ADC's Director. Welcome to "Class Act".

Mission Statement

Providing an environment that is fun, non-intimidating, and energetic! We want our students to explore the beautiful world of dance and love it while doing so. Our focus is not just in perfecting the techniques but, developing the passion and commitment that strengthens the soul of the dancer and opens the doors to creative expression.

Goals

Our year-round goals:

- Quality dance training, taught in a positive learning environment where creativity and self-esteem are priorities.
- Implementation of strong technical skills in an enjoyable, dedicated, and structured atmosphere
- Positive growth experiences, recognizing each dancer's individual needs, strengths and abilities.
- Building a sense of self through performing arts expression, music appreciation, and discipline
- To offer teaching from instructors with significant performing arts backgrounds

The study of dance helps enable the student to develop proper body alignment, posture, grace, rhythm, coordination, motor skills, strength, flexibility, and stamina. Dance can be used to enlighten, motivate, and inspire while providing a creative outlet for both the physical and emotional spirit of children. We are dedicated to the needs of each individual dancer and strive to ensure that they have the best possible experience. Dancers will build confidence, self-esteem, character, respect for self and others, and talent through a quality performing arts experience.

Safety

Allure Dance Creation is equipped with PlasmaWaven Air Technology. ADC takes every possible measure to help reduce the risk of COVID-19 and other sickly diseases:

- Cleaning & Sanitizing: Before and after each class, ADC staff sanitizes the floors, equipment, and all other highly touched areas.
- Preventative Measures: ADC has slightly relaxed the mask policy. Mask are worn in classes that doesn't allow for proper social distancing.

- All dancers are required to wash their hands before they can participate and interact with other dancers.
- If dancers or teachers are sick, stay at home is a requirement.
- Dancers must bring their own water bottles.
- Dancers are given the opportunity to join virtually during the colder days as flu and cold are at a higher risk.
- Our backyard doors can be open for properly ventilation.

Parent Observation Day

This year, our Winter Showcase will be Friday, December 15th at 1817 Central Ave, Charlotte at 6:30 pm. There, you will be able to observe your child’s progress as we continue to prepare for our annual concert. Please note that your child is still learning, we are still teaching, still preparing. This is not a reflection on our final performance nor outcome. Please be sure your dancer is well dressed in proper dance wear for our Winter Showcase.

Events

If health and safety allow, ADC will conduct and participate in a host of events throughout the year such as:

- Parents Night Out
- Family Fun Day
- Thanksgivings Day Parade
- Competition (details forthcoming)

Staff

Our staff consists of highly trained and qualified Performing Arts Instructors with a great understanding of the importance of preparation and professionalism to provide an enriching experience for your child. Each instructor is required to complete a drug screening, and thorough background and reference check. Extensive trainings are also required prior to instructing your child.

Parking

ADC is located in the Saigon Square shopping center; 3000 Central Ave. #4. We are snuggled in the corner between Central Tea House and T&H Hair Salon. The parking area gets quite full in the evenings. Feel free to pull up in front of the studio to drop your child off in the studio. If the parking area is full, you can park at the gas station to the right of the shopping center, across the street at the Harbor Market or even behind the studio building to the left of the shopping center. When it’s time to pick your child up, simply pull back up in front of the studio, come inside to dismiss your child.

Inclement Weather Policy

Allure Dance Creation will closely follow the Charlotte Mecklenburg School's cancellation policy. However, the days we are closed will not always correspond because the roads may improve or worsen. We will approach

these situations as they arise. If there is a late opening or delay our classes will meet as scheduled. If you have questions or are uncertain about whether classes will be held, please contact us on our communication page. We do not prorate or deduct from tuition due to weather, however, we may call in for a make-up day.

Wellness Guidelines

For the safety and well-being of all children and staff, the following health and wellness policies will be strictly enforced.

Children *should not* participate at Allure Dance Creation if one or more of the following conditions exist:

1. Illness that prevents the child from participating comfortably in class activity.
2. Illness that requires compromising the health and safety of other children or staff including:
 1. A fever higher than 100 degrees. Child must be fever-free for at least 24 hours without fever-reducing medication before they can return to the program.
 2. Continuous, discolored nasal drainage, a note from a doctor is acceptable if drainage is caused by allergy.
 3. Diarrhea
 4. Vomiting within a 24-hour period
 5. Communicable diseases (including but not limited to: pink eye, head lice, skin rash, etc)

If children exhibit any of these symptoms during class, the parent/guardian will be asked to pick up child promptly. Child may return to the program once symptom-free for a 24-hour period or a doctor's note is provided.

Attendance

The student's regular attendance is imperative for consistent progress and ensures maximum benefits from class. Attendance and participation is vital on the outcome at our year end performance.

Please have your child use the bathroom before classes begin

- Arrive 5-10 minutes early in proper attire for class
- After 15 minutes of the class starting, the doors will be locked. Please do not knock on the doors to get in the classroom as you will not be able to attend that day.
- It is imperative that your child is picked up on time. If we are running late to get out of class, you must still be there on time to pick your child up.

Behavior and Conduct

Students are expected to listen, be courteous, and be respectful to instructors, fellow students, staff and all others. Disrespectful, mean, or uncooperative behavior/attitudes will not be accepted from anyone. **Any dancer or parent** displaying any of these behaviors will be discharged from Allure Dance Creation's program.

- We ask that parents ***stay out of eyesight*** while class is in progress. While we understand you would like to see your children in the studio, this is very distracting.
- This is your child's opportunity to develop self-confidence, explore their creativity, and... HAVE FUN!!!

Conferences

If you would like to speak with the instructor, or if you or your child has an issue, we are happy to discuss the situation with you. However, classes should begin promptly, and it is not always possible to speak or meet with the instructor during that time. You will need to arrange a time with the instructor. Any major concerns should always be directed to ADC's Director, Ms. Gee @ (704) 607-7692 or alluredancecreation@gmail.com

THANK YOU FOR CHOOSING ALLURE DANCE CREATION!