



2024-2025

STUDIO HANDBOOK

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WELCOME TO AIRBORNE

Welcome to the 2024-2025 dance season!

We are a family owned and operated dance studio located in central Calgary, with 25 years experience specializing in dance education. We are certified leading educators you can trust to provide your child with an honest and true dance experience in a safe and healthy environment. We are dedicated to providing an atmosphere where everyone's individual talents are developed to their fullest potential.

Airborne prides itself on developing strong technical dancers; strong technique promotes safe learning that enhances your child's natural ability, highlights their strengths, and deepens their artistic awareness.

Dance not only gives our children a creative physical outlet but more importantly it teaches many valuable life lessons. Our goal is to foster confident hard-working good-natured humans who believe in themselves and the world around them.

Facility

Our conveniently located studio is easily accessible and from all ends of the city. Our boutique style facility has 3 operational studios, bathrooms, change rooms, and waiting area.

Faculty

Our experienced faculty of industry professionals are uniquely talented and committed to providing high-quality dance instruction to enhance the overall development of your child. They are life-long learners who continue to educate themselves through various classes, workshops, certification programs, and other learning opportunities. ADAPT Jazz & Tap Certified, RAD Ballet Certified, Acrobatic Arts Certified.

**This handbook contains
important information.**

**Please save and refer back to it
when needed.**



ABOUT OUR STUDIO



Mission

To provide quality dance education for all ages and levels. We empower our dancers and enhance their overall development with versatility through a variety of dance styles and faculty members.

Core Values

- Integrity
- Passion
- Community
- Excellence
- Commitment

Vision

We believe in developing strong technical dancers; strong technique promotes safe learning that enhances your child's natural ability, highlights their strengths, and deepens their artistic awareness



PROGRAMS OFFERED



Recreational Program

With the option of SESSIONAL or YEARLY classes, our Recreational Program offers something for ages 3-16 who want the opportunity to dance.

Yearly recreational classes will have the opportunity to perform in our Year End Recital at The Bella Centre @ MRU.

Pre-Competitive Program

Our Pre-Competitive Program is for dancers aged 4-16 that want to compete with less time commitment.

The program requires dancers to take 3-6 classes/week. Competition rehearsals will be scheduled on Fridays.



Intensive Program

Our Intensive Program is designed to develop well-rounded, strong technical dancers. Dancers have the opportunity to learn from industry leaders, travel, and perform.

This program requires dancers to take ALL classes within their level, participate in exams, and in-studio workshops.



IMPORTANT DATES

DATE	Description
September 9, 2024	First Day of Classes
September 30, 2024	CLOSED for Truth & Reconciliation Day
October 9-15, 2024	CLOSED for Thanksgiving
October 31, 2024	CLOSED for Halloween
November 1, 2024	Pre-Comp Auditions 5-7pm, Parent Meeting 7-7:45pm
December 22, 2024 - January 5, 2025	CLOSED for Christmas Break
February 12-17, 2025	CLOSED for Winter Break
March 24-27, 2025	CLOSED for Spring Break
April 18-21, 2025	CLOSED for Easter Break
May 14-19, 2025	CLOSED for May Long
June TBA	Ballet Exams
June 13, 2025	Year End Recital
June 20, 2025	Last Day of Classes

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration

Registration is accepted on a first-come first-served basis. The number of dancers per class is limited. A minimum enrollment of 6 is required. If low enrollment occurs, the class schedule is subject to change. Final draft of the schedule will be confirmed September 4, 2024.

Dancers are placed into classes based on age, ability, and previous experience. These are broad guidelines; actual placement is decided by their instructors. We want our dancers to have a positive and successful experience, please respect the instructor's knowledge of where your child should be placed in each year of their dance training.

To secure placement, a non-refundable deposit is required. Deposit includes: Registration fee of \$40/dancer or \$60/family, plus June Monthly fee, plus GST.

Fees

Fees for regular classes are based on 34 weeks of instruction and are divided equally over ten months. Monthly fees are billed on the first of every month. Fees are non-refundable for missed classes. Payment Policy: Payment methods accepted are Visa or Master Card. Payments 7 days past due will be charged a service fee of \$25 or 5% if balance is over \$500. Declined credit cards service charge \$25.00. Late payments require extra time and potential complications, we ask you contact us immediately barring unforeseen incidents(card left, expiry date changes, etc.)

Withdrawals

We accept withdrawals prior to February 1, 2025. Notification must be sent in writing 30 days prior to cancellation date to adancec@shaw.ca to stop future payments. Student withdrawals sent after February 1, 2025, will not be accepted and you will be required to pay monthly fees until May 1, 2025.



ATTENDANCE & COMMITMENT

Attendance

If your child will be absent from a class, please extend the courtesy of notifying us by email to adancec@shaw.ca. Please include date and class of absence along with a general reason why.

Please do your best to avoid being late to class as it disrupts the flow of class. Students are expected to arrive at least five-ten (5-10) minutes prior to the start time of class and are to be picked up promptly upon completion of class.

Commitment

It is important students attend their classes on a regular and consistent basis to ensure individual progress, development and confidence. Instructors and classmates rely on everyone being present and participating fully in class.

If a student misses classes, the fees are non-refundable. If an instructor is unavailable, a substitute will be brought in or the instructor will arrange for a make-up class on a future date.



ATTIRE REQUIREMENTS

It is important that students come to class dressed in the proper dance attire, where bodylines are clearly visible to the instructors. This is necessary for safe and proper instruction. Students must have hair tied back and off their face for all classes.

Ballet students must have hair in a neatly secured bun, **absolutely no exceptions.**

**If students have more than one class a night please ensure hair is properly secured before the first class and if classes are back to back, students should layering up or down for the next class so no time is wasted.

Level	Attire Requirements
Budding Dancers	Any colored bodysuit with attached skirt. Pink ballet tights and pink ballet slippers with elastics. Boys: black shorts, fitted black or white t-shirt, black socks and black ballet slippers.
Primary & Pre-Junior Ballet, Jazz & Tap	Any coloured bodysuit, pink tights (ballet/jazz), black tights (tap) - If in both: pink tights, pink ballet slippers (Bloch, Capezio, Sodalca), black slip on velcro tap shoes.
Junior, Junior 2, Pre-Inter 1, Pre-Inter 3 (Grade 1-5)	Any coloured bodysuit, pink ballet tights, pink split soled leather ballet slippers with elastics (Bloch, Capezio, Sodalca). Exam requirements: Navy microfiber Mondor bodysuit with pinch front, thin or thick straps (whichever fits dancer best), pink canvas split soled slippers with elastics (Sodalca). Black character shoes & skirts will be organized by teacher. You will be informed if you need to purchase character shoes or skirts.
Inter 3, Adv 2 (Vocational)	Class requirements: Any coloured bodysuit, pink ballet tights. Shoes: pink canvas split soled ballet slippers and Pointe shoes(to be approved by instructor prior to sewing ribbons) with elastics and ribbons. Exam Requirements: Black thin strapped bodysuit with built in bra and pinch front. Clean/new canvas split soled ballet slippers, pointe shoes with elastics and ribbons.

ATTIRE REQUIRMENTS CONT.

Class/Level	Attire Requirements
Boys Ballet	<p>Black shorts (knees must be visible) or tights, fitted black or white t-shirt, black socks, black ballet slippers.</p> <p>Exam Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gr 1 to 5: Navy shorts, fitted white t-shirt, white socks & white leather ballet shoes. • Inter Found to Advanced 2: Black male tights, black socks, black leather shoes, fitted white t-shirt
Junior to Adv 2 Jazz, Tap, Lyrical, Theatre, Open, Barre	<p>Any coloured bodysuit, black or pink tights or fitted tank top and shorts or leggings. Black jazz shoes & black slip on tap shoes (all junior levels), black jazz shoes, turning shoes, foot undies & black lace up tap shoes (Pre-inter - Adv 2)</p>
Boys	<p>Any colored shorts or black leggings, fitted tank or t-shirt. Shoes same as above.</p>
Hip Hop	<p>Any loose clothing, t-shirts, hoodies, tanks, basketball shorts, sweatpants, joggers, leggings and Indoor non-marking runners (no outdoor shoes please).</p>
Acro	<p>Any fitted clothing i.e. bodysuit with shorts, tank top and shorts or leggings, bare feet - NO LOOSE clothing.</p>



DANCE SUPPLY STORES

**Bodythings Dancewear**

236, 7337 Macleod Trail SW, Calgary AB T2H 0L8
Ph. 403-278-544

**City Dancewear**

North Location: 106, 5403 Crowchild Trail NW
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Taking pride in your overall appearance will contribute to greater confidence and success as a dancer.





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