

# Cathy Kurth Dance Academy 2017-2018

## \$\$What's It Gonna Cost Me?\$\$

Below is a list of all expenses you will incur while at CKDA. Please read all information carefully. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call us.

There is a **\$35 non-refundable Registration Fee** (+ \$10 for each additional child) due at registration.

Tuition is charged based on the following scale and is **due the first of each month**. **All tuition received by the 9<sup>th</sup> receives a \$5 discount**. It is considered **late on the 10<sup>th</sup>**.

{There is a **\$10 Late Fee** added to all tuition that is 30 days past due}

Tuition is the same each month whether the class meets two, three or even five times.

½ hour class is \$35, ¾ hr class is \$45, 1<sup>st</sup> full hour of instruction is \$50  
2<sup>nd</sup> hour adds \$20 and 3<sup>rd</sup> hour or more adds \$16 per hour.

**\*\*Additional children receive 25% off\*\***

Classes will begin **Monday, September 11, 2017**. We follow the same calendar as the Calcasieu Parish Schools with only one exception: **Regular classes are held on all one-day holidays and all teacher inservice days, except for January 3**. The studio will close for Thanksgiving (Nov 19-25), Christmas (Dec 20-Jan 3), Mardi Gras (Feb 11- 14), Easter/Spring Break (March 30 - April 8).

**Costumes\* are required** for our annual dance recital. The costume prices are as follows:

Costumes	PreK/Kinder	1 <sup>st</sup> – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	3 <sup>rd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	JH / HS
Combo	\$65	-----	-----	-----
Tap/Jazz/HipHop	-----	\$65	\$70	\$75
Ballet	-----	\$70	\$75	\$80
Acro	\$40	\$45	\$55	\$60

**\*\*You must choose a costume payment plan** upon registering. Please denote on your registration form which plan you choose. The two options available to you are as follows:

**Plan A:** Pay in full by September 15<sup>th</sup> and receive a 10% discount\*.

**Plan B:** Pay in 4 equal installments added to tuition from Sept – December.

There is a **\$40 Recital Fee** (+ \$5 for additional children) due with April's tuition. **General admission to our show is free, reserved seating is \$10.00.**

**All fees and tuition are non-refundable.** Should your child wish to quit, notify the studio at once. Costumes are custom ordered and cannot be returned. Once costumes are ordered, you are responsible for them.\* There is a \$10 late fee on accounts more than 30 days past due. There is a \$25 NSF fee charged on all returned checks.

*\*There is a 15% late fee assessed on ALL costumes paid after the 5<sup>th</sup> of January*

**Our annual recital is typically the second Sunday in June at the Lake Charles Civic Center. We will give you exact dates as soon as we have them. Dress rehearsal for the recital is mandatory! No exceptions. Our Kinder (PreK / Kinder, 1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders and Acro I) and Gala performances are separate. PreK Acro does not perform in the recital.**

**\*\*If paying the year in full by September 15<sup>th</sup>, take 10% off. Please exercise caution, as tuition cannot be refunded.** Costume money can be refunded if child drops and we are notified before December 15<sup>th</sup>.

However, **once costumes are ordered, you are responsible for them.** **\*\*25% processing fee on ALL refunds\*\***

**\*\*Discounts cannot be given on credit card payments\*\***

**NEW THIS YEAR:** Dancers missing more than three classes during April, May and June (without a valid doctor's excuse or school excuse) **WILL NOT** be allowed to participate in our recital. No refunds will be given. Missing excessively as recital nears is completely unfair to your child and to all of the others in the routine. Please see that your children learn the valuable lessons of finishing what they start and being committed!

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## “What Do I Need?”

Your child will require certain “equipment” for dance classes.

**All dancers are required to wear a black leotard to all classes.** Bikers are allowed in acrobatics classes. Bikers or jazz pants are allowed in jazz and tap classes. Ballet students need pink tights, no skirts, pants or shorts in ballet classes please! **\*\*Any black leotard and / or anything purchased in our shop is allowed in dance class as long as it meets the above-mentioned qualifications.\*\***

Dancers need a **dance bag** for their belongings. **Please put your child’s name in all belongings**, including leotards, shoes, bags, etc. We are not responsible for items left at the studio, lost or stolen. **\*\*Please exercise caution when allowing your child to bring jewelry or electronic devices (phones, ipods, etc).**

### Required Footwear:

**Acrobatics:** No shoes or socks

**Tap: Black** tap shoes for PreK – 5<sup>th</sup> Graders. **No ties allowed! (Replace ties with black elastic)**

**JH & HS Tap** students may wear the **black** tap oxford.

**Jazz: Kinder** – Pink ballet shoes or tan jazz oxfords

**1<sup>st</sup> Grade & Up:** Black jazz oxfords for **jazz**. Black Jazz shoes or black sneakers OK for **Hip Hop**.

Half soles required for **lyrical and contemporary** classes.

**Ballet:** Pink ballet shoes with pink elastic sewn across instep. Pointe shoes may be necessary for advanced dancers 11 years of age or more with teacher’s permission. We will fit your child for pointe shoes at the beginning of the year.

### Special Instructions:

**No baggy t-shirts, shorts or sweatpants** are allowed in any dance or acro class (except as denoted above).

**Leotard/appropriate dancewear is mandatory** for all dance/acro classes and may be worn only as denoted above. In order to insure that your child get the most out of each class, please see that he/she comes to class properly prepared and dressed appropriately.

**Hair:** Please keep hair out of child’s face. Hair should be secured away from face and worn in such a way as not to impede your child or others. For acro, it is recommended that hair not be worn directly on top of the head, as this tends to hinder the child during rolls, headstands, etc.

**Attendance:** Attendance is of the utmost importance for **any** participant in **any** activity. Children missing excessively fall behind quickly and become frustrated and disheartened. Excessive absences are unfair to your child and the other children in the class. **Children missing and falling behind as recital nears may not be allowed to participate in the recital** without receiving private lessons. Private lessons range in cost from \$50 to \$75 per hour and are the sole responsibility of the parent. **We reserve the right to move your child to a lower level class if poor attendance is causing her/him to fall behind.**

**Perfect Attendance:** Trophies are awarded to students who have “perfect” attendance at the end of the year. To receive this award students **must not miss any classes** and must be enrolled for at least 6 of the 9½ months of classes.

**Solos:** Solos are a great way for your child to improve her skill and build self-confidence. However, we can no longer allow solos to perform in the recitals due to time constraints. You can perform your solo at competitions and/or pageants.

**Contact Information:** Please be certain that your contact information (address, **email** and all phone numbers) is always kept current. We will communicate with you via email, and must have correct contact info in order to ensure that you receive all pertinent information. **It is your responsibility to keep informed.**

**\*Snacks and drinks are allowed only in our waiting area. No gum is allowed at the studio at all.  
Always be respectful of other dancers, teachers and staff\***