

Take 5 Dance

Competitive Program Information 2021/2022



Hello!

A lot of families are unsure of what is involved in competitive dance here at Take 5 Dance Studio, so we have outlined our team information for you as follows:

Lite Program (Part-Time Competitive) – age 6+

Our revised Lite part-time program will offer recreational dancers, who are looking for a bit more of a challenge, the opportunity of competing without the demand of the full time program. This program is ideal for dancers who also wish to explore other activities as well as dance. All Lite Program dancers will be required to take a Stretch & Technique class, Jazz class, and a ballet class throughout the year. For the first two months this season, we will be doubling up all of their classes (and they can take as many of these classes for their group as they wish). They can add acro, tap, etc. We will also be offering an open class for the first two months which is available to their group and will explore other styles and movement.

Lite Program dancers will be at the studio 1-2 times per week, training approximately 4 – 7 hours per week and attending 3-4 competitions (within Ontario).

*Package pricing starting at \$225.00/year (broken into monthly payments). For the first two months, all competitive team members will pay \$275.00 including HST. This amount will be taken off the full year package price once competitive choreography is submitted and the balance will be divided into 8 remaining payments.

Elite Program (Full time Competitive) – age 8+

Our full time program is ideal for the dancer who wishes to pursue dance as their main extra-curricular activity.

These dancers will train approximately 3 days a week with a minimum of 7+ hours. The requirement for this program is graded Ballet, Stretch & Technique, Jumps & Turns, along with the corresponding choreography/technique classes. Exam participation is mandatory in certain styles. All dancers age 13 and under must participate in both jazz and tap competitive choreography as a minimum entry to our Elite program. Dancers age 14+ are required to take jazz and contemporary/lyrical as their minimum requirement. All routines above these styles will be by selection entry only and must be taken in order of studio staff preference. Elite program dancers will compete at 4-5 competitions with the possibility of finals.

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How do I become a team member?

- All team dancers (Lite or Elite) are given this opportunity by selection process only. Any new dancers wishing to join our team will be selected by appointment/video submission only.
- Register online <http://take5dance.com/register-now/>

Competitive Routines:

We will be selecting routines in your various age/level groupings by mid-end of October. You will receive a routine selection form and it up to each family to decide how many routines fit into your schedule/budget. We ask that your dancers form be returned by a certain date to give us time to plan out our choreography. For example:

Student Name: Janice
Routines Selected: #1 Gold Jazz A
 #2 Gold Acro
 #3 Pearl/Gold Musical Theatre

At this point you will be given a schedule and the pricing for each competitive routine above. If you would only like your dancer to compete in one competitive group, you would cross off and eliminate #2 & #3 and hand back in your form. Your dancer would continue their technique classes and add this class additionally (it would be scheduled on an evening they already dance on).

Since we are doubling up our technique classes for September & October, your dancer will continue with one of the technique in each style, and some technique classes would be replaced with competitive choreography come November.

Solos, Duets, and Trios are by teacher selection only and are separate from your monthly package price and class schedule. More information will be given to those dancers selected.

Team Obligations:

- On top of your class fees, there are costume expenses, as well as entry fees for each competition that are to be considered when accepting or declining our competitive team offer. However, as our season was abruptly interrupted last year, we will be reusing and repurposing as many costumes as possible.
- Entry fees for groups range from \$45-\$70 per group, \$60-\$85 for duets/trios, \$80+ for solos.
- All dancers are required to compete at each selected competition (these dates will be given out by mid-November).
- All extra team parties, performances, showcase, photos, and recital will be a part of the commitment to each other as team members.
- Once you register for our competitive team, and competitive choreography sheets are submitted, you are responsible and committed for the season.