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## Registration Instructions

Registration for the 2023-2024 Kicks Academy of Dance Season officially opens on Monday, June 19th! Registering early will help secure your first choice classes.

### **Online Registration Instructions:**

1. Visit our website ([KicksAcademyofDance.com](http://KicksAcademyofDance.com)) and click on "Register Today" to create a student portal OR log in using your email address and password if you currently have a portal. If you do not remember or know your password, use your email address and click on "reset password". You will be prompted to check your email and create a new password.
2. Click here for all CURRENT KICKS Dancers - <https://app.jackrabbitclass.com/jr3.0/ParentPortal/Login?orgID=541557>  
Click here for all NEW dancers to KICKS – <https://app.jackrabbitclass.com/regv2.asp?id=541557>
3. Once you have successfully logged into your portal, click on "Classes and Events" in the top right hand corner of your dashboard.
4. Select "Find Classes" using the filter to sort classes by "Session". Select "2023- 2024 Studio Season".
5. Select the class you would like to register for (all classes are listed by Level then Style) and click "Enroll". Then select your dancer's name that will be registering for that class along with all the policy prompts and click on "Enroll" again.
6. Repeat this process for any other classes you would like to add. You may also send us an email or give us a call, and we can register your dancer(s) on our end. Note – You can only add classes not delete. If you need a class deleted, please email us and we will take care of it on our end.
7. You will receive an email confirmation of all classes you have enrolled for. You can view them in your "Dashboard".
8. In your portal, you may edit your information, add/delete/edit students, update your on-file credit card, update your settings, make payments, etc.
9. Your fees will be posted to your account as soon as possible and all AUTO PAYMENTS will be processed by midnight. You may mail or drop off a check or cash payment, OR you may use a credit card via your portal to pay online (or contact us to process on our end and/or select "AUTO-PAYMENTS").
10. If you would like your payments to be AUTOMATIC, please change your "e-payment" settings to "AUTO-PAYMENTS".

### **SPECIAL CLASS NOTES**

- *We want ALL dancers to be in the perfect level class that will help them feel confident and succeed. Therefore, we may need to move dancers around after seeing the overall level of the class, come September. We are planning to have company auditions on Tuesday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. Therefore, some class levels may change to match the corresponding company placements.*
- *Acro – This class does have to be separated by ability in order to keep everyone safe. Our teacher will evaluate dancers during the first week of classes to ensure proper placement. We will have two teachers and we can separate into two groups according to their needs.*
- *If a class does not have 5 or more dancers registered, we may need to cancel the class AND move the schedule around if necessary. If a class fills, we may be able to add another class. Your flexibility and cooperation are greatly appreciated.*

## **Types of Classes offered at KICKS:**

Toddler and Me - This class is a perfect introduction to the art of dance for ages 2-4 that teaches the fundamentals of basic creative movement with the assistance of a parent or guardian. It will introduce young dancers to the joys of movement and the elegance and grace of ballet in a fun and creative way. Age appropriate work is taught each week and includes balance, coordination, creative movement, self-esteem skills, confidence skills, listening skills, and basic dance skills.

Enchanted Dance - A class designed to gently introduce children to the world of dance, through movement, literature and imagination. This class combines the basic skills of dance with props, books, and fun.

Ballet – Ballet is an artistic dance form performed to music (generally more classical music) using precise and highly formalized set steps and gestures. Classical ballet, which originated in Renaissance Italy and established its present form during the 19th century, is characterized by light, graceful, fluid movements.

Pointe/Pre-Pointe - Pointe is the art of ballet done on the tops of their toes with using special shoes. Pre-Pointe is the preparation needed to gain the appropriate strength **without** pointe shoes and actual Pointe classes with proper pointe shoes begin when a dancer is physically, emotionally and developmentally ready. Instructors will help with determining when a dancer is ready. Students must be proficient in Ballet with very strong ankles, legs and core strength

Tap Class includes rhythm, balance, coordination, performance, confidence, self-esteem and fun. The style of tap offered will include training in "Broadway" style tap AND "hoofing" style tap.

Jazz Class emphasizes confidence, style, energy, power, flexibility, strength and classic jazz technique. These classes use popular pop music and are super fun and high energy. All movements and music are age appropriate.

Lyrical - Lyrical is expressing emotion appropriately representing lyrics in a song. This style utilizes proper Ballet and Jazz technique.

Hip Hop - This is movement you would see in music videos for popular R&B, Rap, and Pop music. Hip Hop classes are recreational type classes that provide aerobic health, personality, style, confidence and coordination. Classes are fun and social. All movements and music are age appropriate.

Musical Theatre – This style is less of a particular style, and more of a description of dancing that is rooted in the diverse history of Broadway musicals. Relying heavily on knowledge of ballet, tap, and jazz, musical theater dancers are, first and foremost, actors and place a high focus on musical interpretation.

Acro - This is a style of dance that combines classical dance technique with precision acrobatic elements. It is defined by its athletic character, its unique choreography, which seamlessly blends dance and acrobatics, and its use of acrobatics in a dance context. Dancers will gain flexibility in their backs and gain strength in their arms. They will work on basic gymnastic tumbling moves and passes.

Stretch & Tech – This class strictly focuses on stretching, flexibility, strength, and overall dance technique especially with leaps and turns.

Contemporary - Modern technique along with a contemporary style will be incorporated. Dancers must have prior Ballet and/or Jazz training. Contemporary Dance is a fusion of interpretive movement incorporating ballet, jazz, lyrical and modern technique. Dancers should have prior Ballet and/or Jazz training.

## **Class levels:**

Toddler and Me – Approx. Ages 2-4 WITH an adult

Enchanted Dance – Approx. Ages 2-4

Fundamental A – Approx. Ages 2.5-4

Fundamental B – Approx. Ages 4-5

Fundamental C – Approx. Ages 5-6

Classic Combo A – Approx. Ages 6-7 (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> graders)

Classic Combo A/B – Approx. Ages 6-8 (1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> graders)

Adv Junior 1 – Approx. Ages 6-9 (1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> graders)

Classic Combo B /C – Approx. Ages 8-9 (3<sup>rd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> graders)

Adv Junior 2 – Approx. Ages 8-11 (3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> graders)

Classic Select Junior – Approx. Ages 9-12 (4<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> graders)

Classic Select Teen – Approx. Ages 13-18 (8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> graders)

Adv Teen 1 – Approx. Ages 10-13 (6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> graders)

Adv Teen 2 – Approx. Ages 12-15 (7<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> graders)

Adv Senior 1 – Approx. Ages 14-16 (9<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> graders)

Adv Senior 2 – Approx. Ages 16-18 (11<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> graders)

Adult – Approx. Ages 18+