



Q & A for Elite and Impact Performance Groups 2024-25

Q: What are the Elite and Impact Performance Groups all about?

A: These fast-paced groups focus on the student's ability to learn and retain choreography quickly. These dancers perform around the community as well as at several major league ball games throughout the season. **This year, we are adding a Master Class / Dance Convention opportunity.**

Q: Do these groups compete and does my child have to audition?

A: No competitions and No auditions.

Q: What are the requirements to join?

A: Ballet, Tap and Jazz Technique classes are required. It is recommended that new members have at least one year of dance background to be able to keep up with and retain multiple pieces of choreography throughout the year.

Q: What rehearsals are required?

A: Each group has a 1-hour weekly rehearsal that is already on the CDA schedule. Enrollment can be found under "Events" in your CDA Parent Portal.

Q: Do I need to buy special shoes for the Performance Group?

A: Appropriate shoes are required for all Ballet, Jazz & Tap technique classes and rehearsals as stated in the CDA Dress Code. Lyrical shoes "Half-Soles" are required for the Holiday Show. White sneakers are required for Parades and Game Day events. (White sneakers are also required for any Jr / Sr level Hip Hop class.)

Q: Is my dancer required to participate in every event?

A: Because we are not a competition group, participation in each event is optional. Performance Group members are however, expected to participate in the CDA "Holiday" & "End Of Year" Shows and will have a special number in both. Costumes are rented for both shows. Parades, Talent Shows, Ball Games, Master Classes and other community events are optional.

Q: What is the monthly cost of this? (North dancers - see portal for combo class tuition)

A: Tuition for the 3 required technique classes is 3 hrs /week = \$135 / month in addition to

Elite Rehearsal Fee \$70 / month Impact Rehearsal Fee \$75 / month

Q: Do we purchase or rent costumes for Performance groups?

A: Both purchase and rent. Members are required to purchase their Elite/Impact Uniform at the beginning of the season **(\$35-\$50)** which is to be worn during each rehearsal. Performance costumes are rented. A "Bundle" purchase is required for all who participate in the ball game events. Bundle cost **\$80-\$100.**

Q: How important is class and rehearsal attendance?

A: Class and rehearsal attendance is considered mandatory. Excessive absences may result in a dancer being pulled from performance/performances.

Q: Are there any other fees?

A: Entry Tickets must be purchased for ball game performances though a provided CDA link in conjunction with each event.

For any other questions please contact Performance Group Director, Miss Tammi: tammi@cummingdanceacademy.com