

Prime Technique's Performance Team

Prime Technique's Performance Team is an audition based, non-competitive team that provides serious, committed dancers' additional performance opportunities in styles such as jazz, poms, lyrical and/or hip hop. Performance opportunities may include community service performances, parades, sporting events (Wave, Admirals, Milkmen, etc.), and non-competitive events at amusement parks or other locations. Dancers will have a minimum of 2 to 3 additional performance opportunities and will perform 1 to 2 production dances in our annual recital. Performance Team members will also perform in all three of our shows at recital time (instead of just two shows).

Team Requirements

- Must be a minimum of 8.5 years of age by September 1st
- One (1) year of Jazz at Prime Technique Dance Academy in the year prior to auditioning
- Concurrent enrollment in one of the following Fall 2024/Spring 2025 classes: Intermediate Tap/Jazz, Advanced Jazz, Elite Jazz, Senior Jazz
- Attendance at auditions on July 20th
- Availability and willingness to attend all weekly performance team classes, monthly all team practices, performance opportunities listed below and regular jazz class
- Dancers must be mature, hardworking and ready to work in a fast paced environment – this team will require dancers to practice routines outside of class, work efficiently both independently and in small groups during class and assist one another in learning choreography

I have read, understand and acknowledge that my dancer meets the team requirements:

Parents initials: _____

Dancers Initials: _____

Performance Team Placement

Performance Team will be made up of two smaller teams: Junior Team and Senior Team. Both teams will learn the same routines with modified choreography to showcase each group's unique abilities. Both teams will practice together on Tuesdays for 20-minutes and at monthly All Team practices, and both teams will attend all performance opportunities together.

The team each dancer is placed on will be determined by Prime Technique Dance Academy staff based on skill level, technique, maturity and learning pace displayed at auditions. To remain on their placed team, dancers should maintain that same level of excellent dance technique, work ethic and commitment that they displayed in auditions

throughout the dance season. Team placement is **not** based solely on age, prior classes taken or which team a dancer's friend is placed on. Dancers will be notified of their placement via email within three days of audition. **Please remember that all team placements are final!** If your dancer is placed on a team but decides not to join, you must notify us via email no later than August 1st to stop the next tuition payment.

I have read, understand and agree to the performance team placement policy:

Parents initials: _____

Dancers Initials: _____

Time Commitment & Absence Policy

Auditions:

Saturday, July 20th 9:45 to 11:00 am – 9 to 11 years

Saturday, July 20th 11:00 to 11:15 am – Information Meeting for ALL DANCERS and a parent/guardian

Saturday, July 20th 11:15 to 1:00 pm – 12 + years

Weekly Performance Team Classes:

Tuesdays 8/20 to 3/4 7:00 to 8:00 pm – Junior Team

Tuesday 8/20 to 3/4 7:40 to 8:40 pm – Senior Team

Mandatory Monthly All Team Practices

Saturdays 12:30 to 2:00 pm – August 24th (this practice will run until 2:30 pm), September 21st, October 19th, November 16th, December 7th, January 4th, February 1st and tentatively March 1st

Weekly Regular Jazz Classes

Date/time dependent on enrollment, but dancers must enroll in and regular attend one of the following classes for the Fall 2024/Spring 2025 season:

Intermediate Tap/Jazz, Advanced Jazz, Elite Jazz or Senior Jazz

Tentative Performances:

TBD prior to the first All Team Practice. Performances can include, but are not limited to: parades, community service performances at assisted living facilities, sporting events (Milwaukee Wave, Milwaukee Admirals, Milkmen Baseball, etc.), Dance Fest at Six Flags in Illinois, etc. Dancers will participate in a minimum of 2 to 3 public performances and will perform in all three Prime Technique Dance Academy shows during recital time.

Absences:

Due to the performance component of this team, **the absence policy will be strictly enforced.** Students are permitted three (3) non-consecutive absences in weekly Tuesday performance team classes and one (1) absence in monthly Saturday All Team practices to be used in cases of illness or emergency. Dancers must also maintain good attendance in their regular Jazz class, no more than four (4) absences. Dancers should

plan on attending all performance opportunities. Dancers can miss up to one (1) performance opportunity, but Miss Breanna must be notified via email no later than September 21st, so we can arrange choreography, formations and any partner work to accommodate your dancer's absence.

Dancers who miss four (4) weekly performance team classes, two (2) monthly All Team practices, five (5) regular Jazz classes, or two (2) performance opportunities will be dismissed from the team with no refunds.

I have read, understand and agree to the time commitment & absence policy:

Parents initials: _____

Dancers Initials: _____

Dress Code

Prime Technique Dance Academy's dress code will be strictly enforced in Performance Team classes and All Team practices. Girls must wear black leotards of any style, tights and jazz shoes. Boys must wear a white fitted shirt, black fitted athletic bottoms and jazz shoes. All long hair must be pulled back in a ponytail or bun. Absolutely no jewelry, t-shirts, hoodies, jeans, leggings, etc. As always, dancers are always welcome to wear demi ballet skirts and/or black dance shorts over their leotards.

The dress code creates a disciplined learning environment, develops unity among teammates and allows instructors to see and correct improper alignment and poor technique habits. However, equally important, in Performance Team dancers will learn various tricks, tumbles, turns and lifts – it is crucial that dancers do not have loose/baggy clothing on that could cause them to slip during lifts or clothing that does not provide appropriate coverage when performing tricks or tumbles such as “tripod holds” or “fish flops” which require dancers to roll upside down.

By joining the Performance Team, you acknowledge the dress code and understand that **dancers not adhering to the dress code will observe and take notes.** Dancers who sit out twice due to improper dance attire will be considered an absence.

I have read, understand and agree to the dress code policy:

Parents initials: _____

Dancers Initials: _____

Behavior & Conduct

Performance Team members are expected to present themselves in a respectful, reliable and responsible manner both in the classroom and in public during performance opportunities. Yelling, belittling, harassing, bullying, physical violence or other behavior

that creates a hostile environment will not be tolerated and will be grounds for immediate dismissal with zero refunds given.

Team members should arrive promptly for class with proper dance attire, jazz shoes and long hair pulled back and a full water bottle, so they are ready to begin on time. During performances, it is each dancer's responsibility to ensure they have the correct uniform (leotard and either skirt or pants, bow, performance tights and tan jazz shoes). At the end of the dance season, all uniform materials must be returned in like-new condition. Dancers who do not return uniform materials or return damaged material will not receive their deposit back and may risk their ability to be on the team in future seasons.

I have read, understand and agree to the behavior and conduct policy:

Parents initials: _____

Dancers Initials: _____

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read, understood and agree to the above policies regarding team requirements, team placement, time commitment & absences, dress code and behavior & conduct. I understand that my acceptance onto Prime Technique Dance Academy's Performance Team is contingent upon my ability to abide by the above policies and that not abiding by these policies will result in dismissal from the team with no refunds. I also understand that all other Prime Technique Dance Academy policies still apply to Performance Team.

Parents Signature: _____ Date: _____

Dancers Signature: _____ Date: _____

Acknowledgement of Costs

Transparency is my top priority when it comes to costs associated with activities at PTDA. For this reason, I have included information regarding monthly tuition, uniform costs and costs associated with performance opportunities below.

At the time of registration for Auditions, \$70 will be charged to each dancer's card on file. This covers auditions and the initial payment for performance team classes/all team practices. If a dancer does not join the Performance Team, \$55 will be credited back to their Parent Portal account (refund issued upon request). \$70 will be deducted on the 21st of each month from August to February for Performance Team classes, All Team practices and performance opportunities.

Uniform Costs:

- \$70 – 1st year uniform rental (team leotard, skirt, pants and bow)
- \$15 – uniform deposit which will be credited back to each dancer's Parent Portal account at the end of the year upon return of their uniform (refund upon request)
- \$28 – tan performance jazz shoes to be worn at all performances
- \$8 – tan performance tights to be worn at all performances (extra pairs can be purchased upon request)

Uniform fees will be automatically deducted on 9/6 using the card on file. In subsequent years, dancers will receive a reduced uniform rental fee of \$55 (2nd year), \$40 (3rd year) and \$20 (4th year and beyond). Dancers will not be required to purchase new jazz shoes each year if their shoes are in good condition (no tears/holes/scuffs/scratches).

Additional Costs:

Aside from tuition and uniform costs, Prime Technique Dance Academy will not charge additional for attendance at events. However, some opportunities such as sport events and amusement parks will have associated costs such as admissions fees, parking costs, travel expenses and meals for dancers and family members which will be the responsibility of each family. Tickets can range from ~\$15 to \$30 for sporting events (depending on your seats) and ~\$40 to \$50 for amusement parks. Other events such as parades and community service events may not have any associated costs. We will do our best to communicate expenses to our Performance Team families once we know them, so everyone can plan accordingly. Families will be responsible for providing their own transportation for their dancers to and from performance events.

I have read, understand and agree to the costs listed above:

Parents Signature: _____ Date: _____

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March 1st (tentative)

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