

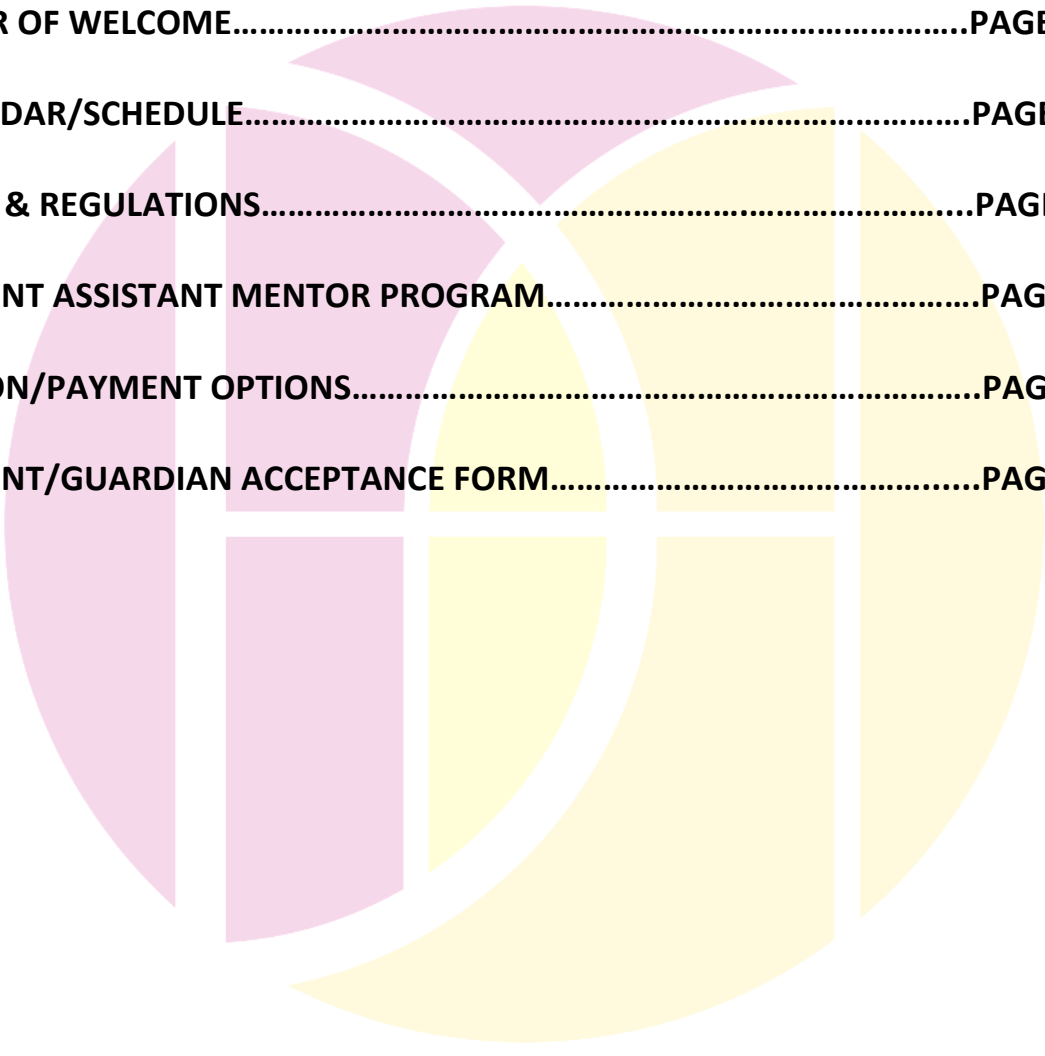
DAYCO

DANCEARTS YOUTH COMPANY

Nurturing the HeART of DanceArts Youth

STUDENT HANDBOOK
2018-2019

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August 20th, 2018

Dear Students, Parents, and Guardians,

WELCOME to the 4th year of DANCEARTS YOUTH COMPANY, and heartfelt congratulations to all the students who join our 2018-2019 DAYCO season. We hope we will see you tomorrow, August 21st at 6:30pm for an overview meeting of the program.

In the fall of 2014, DanceArts Greenville successfully launched its DANCEARTS YOUTH COMPANY. DAYCO, developed out of the original DanceArts Enrichment Programs entitled *Ensemble* and *Staged* started in 2010. While continuing to offer pre-professional dance training in technique, choreography, and performance artistry, DAYCO added the YAGP track (Youth American Grad Prix) last season. Open to any Senior level DAYCO dancer and to Junior level DAYCO dancers after a consultation, this track builds on private individualized coaching of a classical ballet solo and can have a contemporary solo option will start in the Fall.

For our Apprentice, Junior and Senior DAYCO levels, we will be starting their season in January. We will offer DAYCO students a continuum of movement training with classes in Ballet Technique & Repertory, Contemporary Repertory and Floor Barre as well as a Black Box show showcase in MAY. We plan to have a DAYCO field trip to attend Charlotte Ballet's *The Nutcracker* in Charlotte, NC on December 15th at 2:00pm and dinner after the show. This is great way to build comradery and excitement to start in January and a fun holiday outing to kick off the holiday winter break. We will be looking for chaperones and drivers to join Mrs. Kris! Save the date!

New this year is our **Student Assistant Mentor Program**. This is a volunteer position for all levels of DAYCO dancers. It is great for DAYCO dancers who need community service volunteer hours for school or extracurricular activities. As student role models for the greater DanceArts community, you will be the perfect model of what the younger students aspire to be like. You will assist the teacher in the selected class through out the season, and develop positive relationships with the students. This is wonderful way to learn more about what its like to help and teach.

On behalf of DanceArts and DAYCO director, Kristine Galemmo, we are very excited for DAYCO's upcoming year – a year that will be filled with individual and collective artistic growth and FUN!

With best regards,

Anita Pacylowski-Justo & Hernan Justo

Owners/Co-Directors of DanceArts Greenville

Kristine Galemmo

Director, DAYCO

DAYCO Projected CALENDAR and schedule

- **September**
 - 8, 15, 22 – YAGP ONLY
- **October**
 - 6, 13, 20 – YAGP ONLY
- **November**
 - 3, 10, 17 – YAGP ONLY

December

15th FIELD TRIP TO CHARLOTTE BALLET'S THE NUTCRACKER* - 2:00pm show at the Belk Theatre, Dinner after the show return back to Greenville that evening- ALL levels

- **January**
 - 5 – Junior & Senior levels only
 - 12, 26 – All levels
- **February**
 - 2, 23 – All levels
 - 9 – Junior & Senior levels only
- **March**
 - 16, 30 – All levels
 - 23 - Junior & Senior levels only
- **April**
 - 6,27 – All levels
- **May**
 - 4 – All levels and DAYCO showcase

Saturday Schedule:

9:30am - 10:15am - Floor Barre

10:30am - 11:30am - Ballet Class

11:30am - 12:30pm- Ballet Repertoire

12:30pm - 1:00pm - LUNCH

1:00-2:00 - Contemporary

YAGP DAYCO will have timeslots for additional solo rehearsal on Thursdays from 8:00-8:45pm until January 10th. Reserving rehearsal time can be made with Ms. Kristine.

*Charlotte Ballet Field Trip is an additional charge: we anticipate a \$35-40 ticket charge and \$20-25 dinner. We are looking for 4-5 moms that would like to attend the ballet, dinner and help with chaperones and driving. Please email DAYCO@danceartsgreenville.com if interested.

The calendar is subject to change

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

At DanceArts Greenville, we want a nurturing, supportive, and safe artistic learning environment. As student role models for the greater DanceArts community, we ask that all DAYCO students read and follow the following set of guidelines.

PUNCTUALITY & ATTENDANCE POLICY

Consistent attendance is vital in maintaining a student's mastery of dance technique. Dance is a physical activity that requires consistent weekly training to establish muscle strength and muscle memory. Classical ballet training is a highly specialized technique that requires excellent instruction by a knowledgeable teacher and committed attendance by the student in order to achieve the desired results. Please show respect to your teachers and fellow students by arriving on time for your classes and rehearsals.

Foreseen absences should be reported to the Director at Dayco@DanceArtsGreenville.com as early as possible, so that teachers and choreographers can plan accordingly. In the case of an emergency, illness, or unavoidable absence, we ask students or parents/guardians call or email DanceArts at 864-297-1635, as soon as possible.

ARRIVING EARLY AND PREPARING FOR CLASS:

Students will get the maximum benefit from ballet class if they arrive early (15 minutes before) and are mentally and physically prepared for class. These minutes before class should be used to stretch or think about the exercises you did in the last class.

REPORTING INJURY

DanceArts Greenville is committed to the safety and well-being of all students. We expect students to take responsibility for their physical condition, report injuries, and not risk their health to participate in the program. Student should report to their teacher and the teacher will hand the student an **Observation Form** to be filled out while the student is observing class/rehearsal. The form will be available by the DAYCO board.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Cell phones and other telecommunications devices, such as iPads, iPad minis, iPods, laptops, pagers, gaming devices, etc. should be silenced and kept in bags and/or dressing rooms.

SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

All students and parent/guardians of DAYCO students can share your favorite DAYCO memories with the HASHTAG: #DAYCO2019

CARE FOR FACILITY & EQUIPMENT

1. Students are expected to respectfully use and care for buildings, grounds, and equipment in a proper manner.
2. Students are expected to keep dressing rooms neat and clean, and to clean up after themselves in the cafeteria and dressing rooms.
3. Vandalism or graffiti of any kind on DanceArts property or another person's property is not allowed.

DRESS CODE

Proper grooming, hygiene, and appearance is essential to the growing Dance Artist and a disciplined artistic environment.

1. Students should wear the appropriate DAYCO leotard, Pink tights, a optional black skirt, and class-specific shoes.
2. Wearing or displaying clothing, jewelry, symbol, haircut, tattoo, or any other item that reflects membership in or affiliation with any gang is not allowed.
3. **Jewelry** can be dangerous in dance. In order to be safe for the dancer and her partners, only jewelry that is permitted are small earrings, rings and a thin non-dangle necklace. No FitBits, Apple Watches and bracelets.
4. Students should wear clothing over their dancewear as they enter and leave the building.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BRING:

- Nude color socks
- Hand towel
- Lunch
- Water Bottle
- Resistance band
- Yoga Mat (can be brought and stored at the studio)

NON-DISCRIMINATION/NON-HARASSMENT:

DanceArts Greenville is dedicated to the treatment of all persons with respect and dignity and to providing an environment that is free from any form of discrimination or harassment. The school prohibits and will not tolerate harassment of any kind to or by any persons, including teachers, staff, students, parents and any other person affiliated with or doing business with DanceArts Greenville. This prohibition includes harassment for any unlawful discriminatory reason, such as race, gender, national origin, disability, age or religion. This policy also prohibits actions that, while they may not be severe or serious as to constitute harassment in a legal sense, are nevertheless commonly understood to be abusive and disrespectful of others.

Accordingly, slurs, jokes, or remarks that are derogatory of a person or group's race, ethnic background, religion, gender, disability, sexual orientation, economic status, or age are considered inappropriate for the school's environment.

Each person is responsible for exercising his or her own good judgment to avoid engaging in conduct that may violate this policy. A person who believes himself or herself to be a victim of discrimination or harassment should report the incident to the Director, Kristen Galemmo and/or Hernan Justo & Anita Pacylowski-Justo, DAG directors. The matter will be dealt with on a confidential basis with disclosure only to the extent necessary for fair problem resolution and only to those who have an immediate need to know.

ALCOHOL & DRUGS POLICY

1. Smoking is not permitted on DanceArts property or grounds.
2. No student, regardless of age, will possess, use, sell, purchase, barter, distribute, or be under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance.
3. Possession of drugs, alcohol and tobacco is not allowed.

STUDENT TEACHING ASSISTANT POSITIONS

DAYCO dancers can volunteer to be in the **Student Assistant Mentor Program**. This is a completely volunteer position and is great for students who need community service volunteer hours for school or extracurricular activities. As student role models for the greater DanceArts community, we ask that you demonstrate the behavior and etiquette of a good student. You will assist the teacher in a class and develop positive relationships with the students. Please wear DAYCO uniform and be in proper DRESS CODE: DAYCO leotard, pink tights, ballet shoes and hair in bun.

There will be a SignUpGenius on the DAYCO page on DanceArts Greenville's website to sign up to be a part of the **Student Assistant Mentor Program**. Sign up will be available by August 21st.

DAYCO TUITION AND PAYMENT OPTIONS

Apprentice tuition = \$180 per dancer

8 training days between January and April

Payments options:

1. January only payment of \$180
2. January and March payments of \$90 each

Junior and Senior tuition = \$435 per dancer

12 training days between January and April

Payment options:

1. January only payment of \$435
2. January and March payments of \$217.50 each
3. Monthly payments (January through April) of \$108.75 per month

YAGP track tuition = \$1050 per dancer

21 training days between September and April

Payment options:

1. September only payment of \$1050
2. September and January payments of \$525 each
3. Monthly payments (September through April skipping December) of \$150 per month

PARENT/STUDENT SIGNATURE PAGE

DanceArts Greenville – please return this page signed by student and parent to DAG office or email a scanned image to DAYCO@danceartsgreenville.com by Sept. 7th.

Dear Students and Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

This handbook was developed as a guide for students and parents and to answer commonly asked questions that come up during the course of the program. Our goal is to create a positive educational atmosphere of learning where rules are enforced firmly, fairly, and consistently to all students.

We ask that you familiarize yourself with this handbook by reading it and ask that you sign this page as evidence that you are aware of our policies and procedures. This form is part of the student registration process at DanceArts Greenville and must be returned as a condition of enrollment.

Signing below is evidence that parents and students have or will read and understand the contents of this handbook. It also grants permission for school photographs or videotapes to be used in media presentations that are made available to other educational institutions or through a cable television station or network. Parents understand that their child’s image, name, work product, school, and age may be revealed in the presentation(s) but that no other information about their child or his/her training will be revealed without prior consent.

_____ Signature of Parent/Guardian

_____ Signature of Student

_____ Print Name of Student

_____ Date Please circle: DAYCO LEVEL- YAGP | Apprentice | Junior | Senior _____ Age