**Interested in being part of SRDC? Please read before joining!**

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Participating dancers (and parents alike) are expected to dedicate themselves to the goal of achieving success in rehearsal and performance, first as a group and as an individual performer second. Only with the success of the group can success as an individual be fully achieved.

***“The needs of the many outweigh the needs or wants of the few, or the one.”***

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At SRDC is the belief that every participant (dancer and parent alike) must understand, observe and practice those qualities that are essential in building a strong foundation for success:

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Absences, tardiness or early departure from a rehearsal or performance can negatively effect on the success of the show. Therefore, participating dancers must attend every rehearsal and performance in its entirety. Failure to meet rehearsal and performance deadlines can have an adverse effect on the quality and success of a production. All participating dancers must meet all scheduled deadlines set forth for performance.

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Participating dancers and parents are responsible for recognizing and solving schedule conflicts that may prevent a dancer from meeting all the participation requirements set forth in this contract. If certain scheduling conflicts cannot be resolved, parent **must schedule a meeting** with Director **ASAP** to discuss contingency plans.

We have a full performance schedule with some dates on the calendar; however, you must be available for dates that are not yet listed. They are usually on Saturdays. I do my best to get the information to you as soon as possible and work around other events, but this must be a priority for the dancer.

Should a dancer have to miss two show dates, he/she will be asked to leave the group in the interest of fairness to the rest of the dancer performers.

All SRDC members **must be present** in all classes (not just SRDC rehearsals) and rehearsals the week prior to every performance and competition.

SRDC members are required to take **a minimum** of 1 ballet class at appropriate level, 1 modern class, and a third class of their choice, totaling a minimum of 3 classes per week. If a dancer is on pointe, then she must take **a minimum** of 1 ballet class, 1 pointe class and 1 modern per week all year excluding July.

The SRDC will perform 2 major ballets per season and attend 2-4 community event performances throughout the year. Please be aware that becoming a SRDC member will obligate you to these performances.

**Courtesy and Respect**

SRDC dancers are expected to treat others with respect, trust, and courtesy. Disruptive or disrespectful behavior will not be tolerated and may result in immediate dismissal from the program.

Language, behavior, statements or actions by participating dancers (or parents) that harm or reflect poorly on SRDC will not be tolerated and met with appropriate disciplinary action, including possible dismissal from the company.

**Dress Code**

SRDC members must wear appropriate dancewear to every dance class. Forgetting dancewear or shoes, hair being down and/or wearing inappropriate clothing will not be tolerated.

Hair must be securely pulled back for every class. Appropriate shoes are required for all classes.

**Financial Commitment**

Membership for SRDC is $300.00 a year per member. This amount will be applied to company expenses as deem necessary (i.e. props, costumes, etc.). Please be aware that dancer is responsible for the purchase and maintaining of performance wear (list will provided by Director at a later date).

Down payment of $150.00 is expected at signing of contract. Balance could be done in instalments; however, it must be paid in full by within 90 days.

**Acknowledgement Statement**

\_\_\_ Both dancer and parent agree to enroll in all required classes and to attend all SRDC rehearsals and performances. I understand that excess absences may result in my not being able to participate in an event or even removal from the SRDC. I do not anticipate scheduling conflicts with sports or other activities.

\_\_\_ Both dancer and parent agree to treat all SRDC teachers and dancers with courtesy and respect; to be prepared for every class as SRDC dress code guide states.

\_\_\_ Both dancer and parent understand the financial commitment required to join the SRDC and know what to expect as a member of the SRDC

\_\_\_ Both dancer and parent have read, agree and understood all that is expected as a member of the SRDC. We understand that these rules are created to ensure the absolute best training and most positive and rewarding experience for all.

\_\_\_ Both dancer and parent understand that failure to meet the above conditions could result in the dancer’s dismissal from the SRDC.

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Dancer Name **(Please Print)** Dancer Name **(Signature)** Date

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Parent/Guardian Name **(Please Print)** Parent/Guardian Name **(Signature)** Date

**Once signed, acknowledgment statement becomes an addendum to SRDC registration form**