

# **ATTENDANCE POLICY**

## ***UPPER LEVELS***

## ***INTERMEDIATE &***

## ***ADVANCED ONLY***

**Upper level dancers must attend at least 80% of their classes, and it is expected that an excess of missed classes will be made up on a regular basis. Attendance must be compliant by December break to participate in year-end recital.**

In practical terms, this equals about one absence per month in each class. The goal of the policy is that dancers are attending class on a consistent basis to prevent injury, continue their growth as a dancer, and maintain trust and camaraderie within the studio. Extenuating circumstances should always be discussed with Michelle prior to or during their existence.

The consequences for inaction may include distancing from classmates both socially and developmentally and/or possible removal from sections of missed choreography for the recital.

Classes may be made up at any time that is convenient to the students' schedule. Classes should be made up in either the next level up or down in the style of dance missed. Missed class charts are on display on the upstairs bulletin board and updated monthly. The office will be contacting staff with concerns and sending monthly notifications to families.