

# Welcome to Live Gracefully Dance Studio!

**“Someone told me that this is the place where everything’s better and everything’s safe.”**

This is our studio’s mission statement. As a studio, we strive to create a safe and inclusive environment for all of our staff, dancers, and their families. Please know that Live Gracefully is not the place for negativity, bullying, and drama. These things will not be tolerated. We want an inviting space for all of us to go and enjoy. These policies are to ensure that our mission statement is achieved.

Our teachers agree to provide a nurturing environment for your dancer where they can develop their dancing skills and grow as both dancers and individuals. The following policies are being put in place to support this environment. Please understand that we want every dancer to thrive and these policies are with their best interests at heart.

**RESPECT:** Each dancer will respect their teachers at all times. This includes calling them by respectful names, such as Miss Darci, Miss Dana, Miss Anna, etc. There should be no talking back, rolling eyes, stomping feet, or correcting the teacher. Dancers must also respect their classmates. This includes not talking poorly about them (to their face or behind their back) and not pointing out their mistakes. We are here to learn, to grow, and be our best.

**LOBBY BEHAVIOR:** Dancers: There is to be no negative talk about other dancers, teachers, etc. in the lobby. Be respectful, put your dance bag out of the way, and keep your area tidy. Clean up any food and all trash must be thrown away. Avoid being loud while you are waiting for your class. Other dancers may be working on homework and do not need this added distraction. You are not allowed to leave the studio during your breaks, unless you are with your parent. You are allowed to be outside on the deck. You may not take a walk down the bike path, unless your parent gives you permission. The staff will not be responsible for you if you leave the building/deck.

Parents/Families: We strive to create a comfortable environment for all of our dancers and their families. This being said, all conversations that occur in the lobby should be APPROPRIATE for children to hear. Do not have inappropriate, adult conversations in the lobby, as our dancers and their siblings come and go from the space often. Also, refrain from disrespectful conversations about our teacher, other dancers, etc. This information gets back to us and is not appreciated. If you must talk poorly of us, please do it elsewhere.

**CLASSROOM BEHAVIOR:** Dancers need to be on time, dressed, and ready when class starts. As discussed, dancers must show respectful behavior.

## Live Gracefully Dance Studio Calendar: 2023-2024 Season

| DATES                | EVENT                                  | LOCATION                     | CITY, STATE     |
|----------------------|--|------------------------------|-----------------|
| September 5, 2023    | Recreational classes start!            | Live Gracefully Dance Studio | Xenia, OH       |
| October 3, 2023      | Watch Week                             | Live Gracefully Dance Studio | Xenia, OH       |
| October 23-26, 2023  | Halloween Week at Studio               | Live Gracefully Dance Studio | Xenia OH        |
| November 15, 2023    | Costume Fees Due                       | Live Gracefully Dance Studio | Xenia, OH       |
| November 20-25, 2023 | Thanksgiving Break - NO CLASSES        | Live Gracefully Dance Studio | Xenia, OH       |
| December 5, 2023     | Watch Week                             | Live Gracefully Dance Studio | Xenia, OH       |
| December 16, 2023    | Studio Christmas Show                  | Xenia High School            | Xenia, OH       |
| December 30, 2023    | Winter Workshop                        | Live Gracefully Dance Studio | Xenia, OH       |
| Dec. 17-Jan. 1, 2024 | Christmas Break - NO CLASSES           | Live Gracefully Dance Studio | Xenia, OH       |
| January 15, 2024     | MLK Day - REGULAR CLASSES HELD         | Live Gracefully Dance Studio | Xenia, OH       |
| February 6, 2024     | Watch Week                             | Live Gracefully Dance Studio | Xenia, OH       |
| February 19, 2024    | President's Day - REGULAR CLASSES HELD | Live Gracefully Dance Studio | Xenia, OH       |
| March 1, 2024        | Recital Fee Due                        | Live Gracefully Dance Studio | Xenia, OH       |
| March 24-30, 2024    | Spring Break - NO CLASSES              | Live Gracefully Dance Studio | Xenia, OH       |
| April 2, 2024        | Watch Week                             | Live Gracefully Dance Studio | Xenia, OH       |
| Beginning of May     | Picture Day                            | Live Gracefully Dance Studio | Xenia, OH       |
| May 19, 2024         | Annual Dance Recital (MANDATORY)       | Central State Auditorium     | Wilberforce, OH |

# Live Gracefully Dance Studio Schedule: 2023-2024 Season

## Monday

Darci

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5:00-8:30 LGDT Rehearsals

## Tuesday

Rec Staff

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5:00-5:30 Rec Acro

5:30-6:00 Creative Movement (Rec)

6:00-6:30 Ballet 1 (Rec)

Jan. Ballet 1 (Rec)

6:30-7:00 Lyrical (Rec)

Ballet 2 (Rec)

7:00-7:30 Tap 1 (Rec)

Tap 2 (Rec)

7:30-8:00 Jazz 1 (Rec)

Jazz 2 (Rec)

8:00-8:30 Hip Hop 1 (Rec)

8:30-9:00 Hip Hop 2 (Rec)

## Wednesday

Darci

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5:00-5:30 Pointe (Rec)

5:30-9:00 LGDT Rehearsals

## Thursday

Darci/Bri

Anna

5:00-5:30

Jan. Creative Movement (Rec)

5:30-9:00

LGDT Rehearsals

## Saturday

Anna/Darci/Faith

9:30-3:30

LGDT Rehearsals

# Live Gracefully Dance Studio Dress Code

## **Required Dancewear:**

Dancers are allowed to wear any color leotard and tights, as well as shorts or skirts, in our classes. We allow black leggings over leotards for colder weather.

Hip Hop can wear anything comfortable.

## **Required Shoes:**

Creative Movement - Pink Leather Ballet Shoes

Ballet - Pink Leather Ballet Shoes

Jazz - Tan Jazz Slip Ons

Tap - Ages 5-8: Tan Mary Jane Style    Ages 9 & Up: Black Lace Up Style

Lyrical - Tan Leather Half Soles

Hip Hop - Any tennis shoe is okay for class, but we ask that they have a matching style based on costume before recital in May. The teacher will choose a style by January and it will be a reasonable price.

Acro - Dance Shoes, Tennis Shoes, or Barefoot (Personal Preference)

## **Required Hairstyles:**

We request that all dancers have their hair up and out of their face for dance class.

Having their hair down can be very distracting so we ask that it's pulled back if possible.

\*We sell dancewear and dance shoes in the studio! If there is anything you need ordered, see our front desk personnel for assistance. We have a sizing kit and can get you what you need!

# Live Gracefully Dance Studio Tuition Information

## **Pricing:**

Annual Registration Fee - \$30 (or \$50 per family)

Tuition: 30 min class - \$45

## **Available Discounts:**

Multiple Class Discount - Available for all recreational classes. Your first class is at regular cost and each additional class is half price.

Siblings Discount - First dancer is at full price, second sibling receives 10% off of monthly tuition, third (and on) receives 15% off of monthly tuition.

Quarterly Tuition Discount - If you pay 3 months at a time, you will receive a 5% discount.

Yearly Tuition Discount - If you pay your yearly tuition in full by October 1st, you will receive a 10% discount.

## **Costume Fees:**

Costume prices vary from \$75-\$100 (cost varies depending on size). Costume fees are due by November 15, 2023 before the students go on Thanksgiving Break. Any costume NOT PAID by that date may have additional shipping charges and will not be added to the order until paid in full.

## **Recital Fee:**

The recital fee is \$50 per family and is due March 1, 2024. This fee includes two adult tickets and a digital copy of the show. All additional tickets will be available for purchase at the front desk. \$15 for adults and \$12 for children (ages 4 and up). The Annual Recital T-shirts will be available to purchase at the front desk this year for \$15.

## **Additional Information:**

Tuition is due by the first class of each month. There is a 10% late fee if it is not paid by the 15th of each month. We offer (and strongly encourage) auto pay, however, we also offer online payments or in-studio payments at the front desk or drop box. We base our pricing by the month, not by the week or per class. There are some months that include holiday breaks, so we do not adjust the monthly tuition as there are months with 5 weeks that help balance out this difference. We have a no refund policy on tuition, merchandise sold in the studio, and costumes.