



Edgez Dance
Performing Team
Competition Handbook
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COMPETITION

Edgez Dance offers competition opportunities for EDPT students only. If you aren't taking a specific subject, you can't dance in that for any competition number. For instance, if you aren't in a jazz class, you can't compete in jazz, likewise for all other subjects/styles of dance. Unless approved by the EDPT director, a student will not be allowed to partake in a duo/trio or group routine if they are not taking a corresponding class.

Students can elect to participate in solo/duo/trio/groups and enter in the competition(s) of their choosing, with permission from the EDPT director or instructors. Music and costumes can be recommended by students/parents but for choreography purposes, the final music & costume choice is up to the EDPT director and/or the choreographer.

ALL COMPETITION SOLO/DUO/TRIO/GROUPS IDEAS/CONCEPTS/CHOICES MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE EDPT DIRECTOR VIA GOOGLE FORMS BY AUGUST 25TH.

	<u>Ruby</u>	<u>Sapphire</u>	<u>Amethyst</u>	<u>Diamond</u>
Competition (optional): Solo			✓	✓
Competition (optional): Duet/Trio	✓	✓	✓	✓
Competition (optional): Group (4+ dancers)	✓	✓	✓	✓

****It is recommended that students pair with students in their team level or Ruby/Sapphire or Amethyst/Diamond**

ALL COMPETITION FEES ARE DUE 12 WEEKS BEFORE THE COMPETITION IN ORDER TO BE ENTERED - NO EXCEPTIONS.

Members that don't pay their competition fees by the due date will miss the early registration window and will be responsible for any additional fees per the competition rules. Edgez Dance has no control if the competition sells out.

All entry fees for competitions & performances will be paid by each EDPT member/parent. (We plan to have a few fundraisers to help out, but you need to be planning now for this expense, as this is not covered within the EDPT monthly fee).

Conventions/Masterclasses

Convention/masterclass schedules will be sent out at least 7 days prior to the event. Teachers/instructors may or may not be listed on the schedule.

Students should remain humble, encouraging, and receptive to other students and all teachers during masterclasses.

Attire:

- **ALL EDPT/EDGEZ DANCE ATTIRE RULES APPLY TO EACH DANCER AT EVERY STUDIO EVENT REGARDLESS OF LOCATION (I.E. COMMUNITY PERFORMANCES, COMPETITION, MASTER CLASSES, ETC.)**
- All students that do not have all-black attire would be required to change either by purchasing attire from Edgez Dance/the competition or a parent bringing new clothes or going home to change (attendance time will be deducted accordingly)

Food/Drinks

Students should bring **multiple** water bottles depending on the length of rehearsal or a performance. Students will also be given a snack break if rehearsal is longer than 2 hours. Students should bring a no-spill, easy, energy-providing, healthy snack such as: *Fruits, Veggies, Protein bars, Popcorn, Trail Mix, Nuts, Cheese Sticks, Pretzels, Raisins, Crackers, etc.*

Instructors **will not** allow students to eat sugary/spicy chips, cake, candy, fast food, and other greasy foods that may lead to the student feeling bloated and/or having less energy to make it through practice or a performance successfully. The student will be asked to put the food away to save for after rehearsal/performance.

Students are allowed to eat in costume but only during designated snack breaks or free times between downtime at rehearsal/performance.

Competition Costumes

Competition costumes can be ordered from Weissman's but must be ordered by November 6th, 2021, and will cost between \$55 - \$80 per costume and can be paid in full or in two payments. The 1st payment will be half of the price and is due at the time of the order. The 2nd payment is required to make the costume after it arrives. Costume alterations can be done by Ms. Melissa for a payment of \$10.00; this includes but is not limited to hook replacement, ribbons, or other alterations. Edgez Dance will allow dancers to use costumes from the upcoming recital (or from past recitals) to be used as the competition costume with approval from the EDPT director.

Parents can also choose to work with Legacy Designs to create or purchase a custom costume. Costumes start at \$150.00 and further information can be found on:
www.legacydesignsbyjc.com

Competition Rehearsal Attendance

Out of respect for the teacher/student/studio time if you are more than 15 minutes late for your private or duo/trio rehearsal, you will be asked to reschedule. After 2 reschedules, you forfeit 30 minutes of your rehearsal time for rescheduling. Calling in 2 days before your scheduled rehearsal allows you 3 reschedules. Group rehearsal will continue without your student. If you miss more than 2 hours of duo/trio/group rehearsal you will be removed from the duo/trio/group.

Rescheduling private lessons:

- 1) Any private lesson can be moved/changed by EDPT staff with a 7-day notice
- 2) Any scheduling changes must be approved by Ms. Melissa (Please do not personally contact instructors)
- 3) Parents/Students: Any conflicts that arise within 12 hours prior to solo private lesson that would need it to be rescheduled, 5 minutes will deducted from their next rescheduled rehearsal
- 4) Staff: Any conflicts that arise within 12 hours prior to solo private lesson that would need it to be rescheduled, 5 minutes will be added to their next rescheduled rehearsal

Competition Media

Depending on competition directors, parents may or may not be allowed to record or take pictures. Please see competition information or emails sent for competition specifics. All competitions include media packages.

Competition Awards

Any solo routine awards from competitions will be kept by the soloist. Any duo/trio/group that is awarded one award, such as a trophy or plaque, will have their award remain at Edgez Dance. All competition members have the option to leave their personal individual awards, pins, ribbons, trophies or plaques, with Edgez Dance to be re-presented and received at the recital. If a student takes home the award from the competition, that award will not be re-presented at the recital.

Competition Call Time

Students will be given a call time to arrive at each competition. Students will be required to show up 90 minutes - 2 hours before the competition. Per competition rules, students are required to be at the competition 60 - 90 minutes before their scheduled time, this is in case the competition is running ahead. In addition to competition requirements, Edgez Dance will add 30 minutes to call time for warm-up, hair, and makeup.

Call time is defined as the expected time of arrival for participants in a performance event. At call time students are expected to be show-ready with makeup & hair done. Students will be expected to show up for scheduled hair/makeup time which will be prior to call time for those scheduled.

EDPT Competition Hair/Makeup

Each student's hair and makeup will be chosen by their choreographer and customized to their solo, duo, trio or group dance. Edgez Dance has the right to change the hair or makeup due to competition schedule or supplies.

Hair/Makeup Service

Edgez Dance will be providing a hair/makeup service that includes all tools/supplies to do hair and makeup. Parents can add the Competition Hair/Makeup service for \$50.00 for all 5 competitions or can be added individually \$5.00 just hair, \$7.00 just makeup, or \$15.00 for hair/makeup per competition. Please let Edgez Dance know **1-week before the competition**, to ensure Edgez Dance has the correct supplies.

Students will be provided a call time by Edgez Dance and any students that do not arrive at the time given, will forfeit their hair/makeup service based on the time of arrival. Students that did not schedule a Hair or Makeup service may be able to do an "emergency" hair and makeup service the day of depending on the time left before going on stage. **All Hair/Makeup service fees are due BEFORE receiving the service.**

Competition Rehearsal Costs

(Time will be scheduled OUTSIDE of regularly scheduled EDPT hours)

All competition numbers are required to have a minimum of (9) hours of rehearsal time for solo/duets/trios and a minimum of (11) hours of rehearsal time for groups. If needed, students can add more rehearsal time per hour based on their or their instructor's request/recommendation. Students will be required to use at least a 30-minute session the weekend before each competition & 15-minutes on-site per competition. The remaining time can be made up of hour or 30-minute sessions and can be scheduled for either Friday, Saturday

or another day with instructor availability. All competition numbers can begin as soon as September 3rd but no later than September 24th. EDPT staff have the right to update/reschedule rehearsals with 7-day notice. **I understand that if my student shows a lack of progress in their competition piece(s) will be removed from their competition piece by December 4th. All rehearsal fees must be paid before rehearsals begin.**

A Competition Deposit of \$50.00 is due upon signing the competition contract if you are signing up with a duo/trio/group and this will be used for any competition categories changes if your student drops out. *If a deposit is not used for category changes then it will be applied to the last set of entry fees.*

Competition Day-of Rehearsal

All competition numbers will be given a 15-minute slot on the day of their competition number to clean and review the dance prior to competing. Since Edgez Dance DOES NOT control the dance competition nor the schedule this is not a guaranteed time and if it is unable to be used at the competition on-site it will be used at another competition or rehearsal.

Competition Rehearsal Schedule

(Time will be scheduled OUTSIDE of regularly scheduled EDPT hours)

A solo/duo/trio/group competition number schedule will be created based on:

- 1) Competitions attending
- 2) EDPT schedule
- 3) Instructors availability
- 4) Students availability

Should a student have an attitude, talking back or negative mindset during rehearsal said student can be dismissed from the private lesson:

- 1) Unused solo private lesson can be moved to another day or added to another rehearsal
- 2) Students will lose and have their time deducted for being dismissed Duo/Trio/Groups

Competition Music

Once a song/music is chosen, an instructor will provide a final edit of the music. Parents/students can request a new edit of the song once for free and then each additional re-edit is \$8.00.

Withdrawn of Competition Piece

Students will be at risk of being withdrawn from the competition season if:

- Complaining about placements/critiques
- Frequently asking to change choreography or complaints about choreography
- Not knowledgeable of choreography by December 1st
- Student/parents being disrespectful to staff/instructor, gossiping about staff/parents/students

Payments of serviced lessons are non-refundable; any private lessons that have not been used will be eligible for a 100% refund. Should the student be withdrawn from the competition 75% of the competition payment will be refunded.

The situation will follow a consequence timeline of

1. Talked about the situation
2. Final notice of the situation
3. Withdrawn of competition piece

Competition: Required versus Optional

All competitions are labeled as required or optional. Students are required to attend StarQuest and Full Out Dance competitions. Students are allowed to choose any of the others offered by Edgez Dance, however, there must be at least 3 students attending a competition in order for Edgez Dance to register for the competition.

Parent Conduct

- At competition: No parents should be in the dressing room unless assisting with dancers; parents are allowed to congratulate dancers backstage but for space parents and/or dancers not dancing should be in the audience. If space is available, dancers may support their friends from the wings.
- Accountability is an important life skill, parents should avoid criticizing or blaming staff/other parents or students in order to avoid blaming themselves or gaining an advantage in the situation.
- Staff will be in charge of/responsible for students prior to their piece/performance and during the piece/performance. Following the piece/performance, parents will be responsible for their student(s) at the event/competition.

Rehearsal Package Cost

Dancers	Cost Total (per dancer)	4-Payments	Payment per added hr lesson:
Solo (1 dancer) (9 hrs)	\$450.00	\$112.50 (4x)	\$55.00
Duo (2 dancers) (9 hrs)	\$225.00	\$56.25 (4x)	\$27.50
Trio (3 dancers) (9 hrs)	\$150.00	\$37.50 (4x)	\$18.00
Group (4 dancers) (11 hrs)	\$137.50	\$34.37 (x4)	\$13.75
Group (5 dancers) (11 hrs)	\$110.00	\$27.50 (x4)	\$11.00
Group (6+ dancers) (13 hrs)	\$104.00	\$22.75 (x4)	\$9.50

Students can schedule more than the listed amount of private lessons however, instructors reserve the right to recommend/refuse adding additional lessons.

The first payment is due the day the rehearsals begin and the remaining 3 payments will be due the 2nd of each month. Students will not be able to participate in rehearsals after the 2nd of the month without payment.

COMPETITION FEES

Edgez Dance includes a \$15.00 admin fee (for Orlando competitions) or \$25.00 admin fee (for non-Orlando competitions) within each competition fee for admin work setting up accounts, editing & uploading music, instructor travel compensation, etc.

Late Fees on Competition fees

Edgez Dance registers/submits all entries for competitions the day of the due date. Any payments that are not received means your student WILL not be entered into that competition. A \$25.00 late per competition fee is added to fees not paid on time. This is because the competition offers studios group discounts when they pay in advance/altogether. An additional \$25.00 will cover the charge for the credit card processing an additional time.

Convention Fees

Glow Dance Convention Fees (All fees due August 19th)

Entry Type	Fee (per dancer)
Individual	\$170.00
Observer Band	\$60.00

Streetz Dance Convention Fees (All fees due October 8th)

Entry Type	Fee (per dancer)
Individual (age 8+)	\$325.00
Individual (age 5 - 7)	\$250.00
Observer Band	\$60.00

Streetz Dance Competition

In the event that the judging system or microphones go out during a dance number, Streetz is not liable to give a full refund. No Refunds. No Exceptions.

Dupree National Finals Productions Convention Fees (All fees due February 11th)

Entry Type	Fee (per dancer)
Individual (age 16 - 13)	\$295.00
Individual (age 9 - 12)	\$280.00
Individual (age 4 - 8)	\$175.00
Observer Band	\$60.00

Dupree National Finals Productions Convention Fees

No Refunds will be issued for any reason.

Competition Fees

StarQuest Competition Fees (All fees due October 8th)

Entry Type	Fee (per dancer - per routine)	Entry Type	Fee (per dancer - per routine)	Media & Other:
Solo	\$135.00	Group (4+ dancers)	\$68.00	\$25.00 will be added per dancer. StarQuest includes ALL photos & videos included & free digital program Add sibling: \$15.00
Duo	\$80.00			

StarQuest Competition

All deposits and fees are non refundable.

Luv2Dance Competition Fees (All fees due November 5th)

Entry Type	Fee (per dancer - per routine)	Entry Type	Fee (per dancer - per routine)	Media & Other:
Solo	\$150.00	Group (4+ dancers)	\$65.00	FREE ALL photos & videos included
Duo/Trio	\$82.00			

Luv2DanceTalent Competition

No Refunds.

Fly Dance Competition Fees (All fees due December 9th)

Entry Type	Fee (per dancer - per routine)	Entry Type	Fee (per dancer - per routine)	Media & Other:
Solo	TBA	Group (4+ dancers)	TBA	Solo
Duo	TBA			

Fly Dance Competition

Legend Competition Fees (All fees due December 9th)

Entry Type	Fee (per dancer - per routine)	Entry Type	Fee (per dancer - per routine)	Media & Other:
Solo	\$140.00	Group (4+ dancers)	\$70	TBA
Duo/Trio	\$90.00			

Legend Competition

All deposits and fees are non refundable.

ID Dance Competition Fees (All fees due January 7th)

Entry Type	Fee (per dancer - per routine)			Media & Other:
Solo	\$130.00	Group (4+ dancers)	TBA	
Duo/Trio	TBA	**Pricing may be updated		

ID Dance Competition

No Refunds will be issued for any reason. The only exception is if an event is cancelled due to Covid-19. If an event is cancelled we will immediately refund any entries paid. Full Out has always and will always issue refunds as appose to credits.

Full Out Dance Productions Competition Fees (All fees due January 7th)

Entry Type	Fee (per dancer - per routine)			Media & Other:
Solo	\$144	Group (4+ dancers)	\$67	
Duo/Trio	\$80	**Pricing may be updated		

Full Out Dance Competition

No Refunds will be issued for any reason. The only exception is if an event is cancelled due to Covid-19. If an event is cancelled we will immediately refund any entries paid. Full Out has always and will always issue refunds as appose to credits.

Handbook Changes

The policies, procedures, dates, times, and fees listed in this handbook are subject to change at any time without notice.