

Company Packet 2023-2024

Thank you for your interest in auditioning at AED Dance Studio. Below are the requirements and expectations for the June 2023- May 2024 season. Competition teams are a full year commitment, and exceptions to requirements will not be made. Please read through the packet and sign the contract attached. Copies of the contract will be available at the front desk at both locations.

Due at auditions: signed contract, headshot and resume.

*In regards to company placement, we require **72 hours** before contacting AED. We will not answer emails or messages during this period of reflection. Our staff spends numerous hours, late nights, and early mornings determining placement. We take it very seriously as it is a big commitment for all.*

High School Program: We currently have 1 high school team. Audition is required. Please understand: Being selected to participate on a high school team, such as dance company, cheer squad, ballroom, or drill team, does NOT guarantee you placement in our high school program. If you do not get placed on a high school team at AED, we have added additional technique classes for dancers to participate in. These classes will help continue dancers technique progression, while participating on their school's team.

Summer Technique Required for Academy/Company Teams:

(Prep teams and High School teams are not required to attend summer technique classes, but we highly encourage both to participate)

All accounts will be billed on June 6th

- 6 full days of Technique are required for those attending Nationals (\$200 for the Summer Technique Classes)
- 8 full days of Technique are required for those NOT attending Nationals (\$230 for the Summer Technique Classes)
- 3 hours a day: Flexibility/Conditioning (PBT/Godfrey) or Hip Hop Fundamentals, Ballet, Jazz Turns and Progressions (9am-noon)
- Options to attend classes will be:
 - June 5-8: 9am-noon at Draper
 - June 12- 15: 9am- noon at Riverton
 - July 5-7: 9am –noon at Riverton
 - July 10-14: 9am- noon at Draper
- You may attend when your schedules allow. Take all 8 classes in June or all 8 classes in July, or split between months and weeks. (ie: 2 days a week each week or 1 full week each month)
- If you choose to attend all classes 16 days, your account will be billed \$400 for the summer (June and July Classes)
- Sign up for classes on the Google Doc:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1kZFdUeTcdIZ6DsFk3QfW5ztr6GKkx5dy_BnKWmSV0M/edit?usp=sharing

Required Company Camps 2023:

Accounts are billed on June 19th: \$690 Choreography fee for the season
(High School team is billed in October)

(Prep teams do not attend)
June 19-22 Choreography Camp
July 17-20 Choreography Camp

Additional Camp Options: (Register online)
July 10-14 Tumbling Camp (Optional)

Recitals: **PERFORMANCES ARE NOT OPTIONAL, ALL ARE MANDATORY**
Winter Ballet Recital, Spring Ballet Recital, Company Showcase

Anticipated Competitions: *Dates will be confirmed in August when they are released by the Competitions*

Pre Company (Draper/Riverton):

AOS Kick Off Classic (Feb 21-24) and Utah State Championship (TBD)

Company Teams(Draper/Riverton):

AOS Kick Off Classic (Feb 21-24), Releve, Premier Dance Championship, Utah State Championship

Academy Teams (Draper/Riverton):

Velocity Dance Convention, Intrigue Dance Convention, Dance America, NRG Convention, Premier Dance Championship

Community Performances:

BINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL, ALTA HIGH SCHOOL AND CORNER CANYON HIGH SCHOOL
(March-April)

Travel Year: Academy Teams Only: Intrigue Nationals Florida will be attended 2025 (Last week of June- First week of July) \$1800-\$2000 Estimate for Hotel/Flight/ Convention/Competition/Disney World

Competition Estimate: We will finalize once competition and costume fees are updated in August. Locate information here: <https://aeddance.com/comp-teams/>

Costume Due Date will be August 25th

Competition Fees Due Date will be September 15th

Estimated cost for the year. Prices are finalized in August, once costume and competition websites are updated for the upcoming seasons.

Pre-Company:

Premier:

Costumes: \$600-\$650, Competition Fee: \$340-\$425

Mini/Jr. Prep/Petite:

Costumes: \$250-\$300, Competition Fees: \$70-120

Company Program:

Costumes: \$600-\$650, Competition Fees: \$480-\$650

Academy Program:

Costumes: \$710-\$725, Competition Fees: \$1400- \$1900

High School Program:

Costumes: \$600-675, Competition Fees: \$1000-\$1900 depending on scheduling.

Choreography fee \$690

**Academy fees are possibly increasing due to 3 conventions, instead of 2. Prices above reflect the possibility of a 3rd convention.

Competition Requirements:

- The **WEEK OF** competitions is a mandatory **BAG CHECK**: All dancers must bring their packed dance bag with required items to check off, with their competition director. Bag Check will be during their choreography classes. Bag checks help the dancer pack and be ready earlier in the week, so they do not forget items. Put name on all costume pieces.
- If costume pieces are forgotten, you will not be allowed to compete.
- Dancers are required to arrive at competition 1-1.25 hrs. before the first routine. We will provide a call time for dancers and they must be on time. Please do not be late, as late dancers will be spaced out. Some competitions run 30-40 minutes early. Some run late. Unfortunately, we have NOTHING to do with competition schedule or organization, so we cannot predict which will occur.
- **Attendance is required at EVERY class the 2 weeks prior to a competition**
- If dancers miss class the week of competition, they will be spaced out of **ALL DANCES** for competition. If a dancer misses the week prior to competition week, they will be spaced out of **ONE DANCE**.

We realize some vacations are planned well in advanced of receiving competition dates. All conflicts during black out weeks must be submitted to AED by Aug. 31st to be excused. Last minute vacations are not excused and should be scheduled around competition dates. PLEASE REMEMBER THE WEEK OF COMPETITION IS **NEVER EXCUSED** FOR A VACATION.

If dancer misses a competition, she may be removed from all competition routines, for the rest of the season.

If monthly attendance is poor, you will receive a warning email. If attendance does not improve, the dancer will be removed from sections of the routine, the entire routine, or removed from the team for the rest of the year. This decision will be at the teacher/competition director's discretion.

Friday and Saturday Technique is required, **NOT OPTIONAL** If Friday and Saturday classes are missed, dancer may be spaced out of competition, for the rest of the season.

Injuries: If dancers are injured and cannot dance the 2 weeks prior to competition, they will be spaced out. This is for the dancer's safety and consideration for the team. We need to allow time for the team to prepare properly for the competition.

Competition Day:

Parents are not allowed in the DRESSING ROOM or REHEARSAL SPACE. Dancers are expected to be dressed and ready to rehearse at Call Time.

If dancers are younger and need assistance with changing, a parent may assist with the change and then must exit the dressing room. Parent responsibility at competition and performances will be to support their children and cheer them on. We want you to sit back and enjoy your child's performance. The staff will handle all instruction and coaching at events.

CLASS ROOM ATTIRE:

- Jazz Technique/Contemporary: any color leotard, sports bra, spankies, or leggings
- Choreography classes: wear all black to help with cleaning
- Ballet class: Black leotard, Pink tights, Pink ballet shoes ONLY.
- Acro/Tumbling: Tight dancewear, no loose tank top or t-shirts and no jewelry
- Hip Hop: Tennis Shoes/Comfortable Clothing

Hair:

- Ballet : Ballet Bun
- Jazz/Acro/Technique: Ponytail or Bun
- Hip Hop: Ponytail

CLASS ROOM ETTIQUE:

- NO CELL PHONE/APPLEWATCH ALLOWED IN CLASS. IF YOU HAVE AN EMERGENCY, CALL THE OFFICE AND HAVE THE FRONT OFFICE STAFF GET YOUR CHILD.
- NO FOOD OR DRINKS (EXCEPT WATER BOTTLES) ALLOWED IN CLASSROOM.
- WE HAVE A ZERO POLICY ON DRAMA. PARENTS INCLUDED. DANCERS WILL BE WARNED ONCE THEN REMOVED FROM THE PROGRAM, IF THEY OR THEIR PARENTS CREATE DRAMA.
- WE EXPECT RESPECT FOR CLASSMATES, TEACHERS AND THE STUDIO FROM ALL DANCERS. DISRESPECT AND POOR ATTITUDE IS CAUSE FOR IMMEDIATE REMOVAL FROM AED COMPANY PROGRAM
- DANCERS REQUIREMENTS TO ATTEND BANANA SPLIT PARTY IN THE SPRING: PRE-COMPANY MUST HAVE 1 FLAT SPLIT, COMPANY MUST HAVE 2 FLAT SPLITS, ACADEMY MUST HAVE ALL 3 FLAT OR 2 FLAT AND A SUPER SPLIT
- MOST IMPROVED DANCER OF THE YEAR WILL BE VOTED ON BY TEAMMATES AND STAFF AND AWARDED AT COMPANY SHOWCASE

REQUIRED COMPANY ITEMS:

IF YOU HAVE THE RED JACKET, YOU MAY STILL USE THAT FOR THE NEXT COUPLE YEARS, THIS IS A TRANSITION YEAR.

- **PRE- COMPANY: COMPANY T-SHIRT AND EARRINGS**
OPTIONAL ITEMS: WARM UP JACKET/PANTS, BAG, AND SWEATS
- **COMPANY/ACADEMY: WARM UP JACKET/PANTS, BAG, EARRINGS**

ORDERS ARE DONE ONLINE THROUGH OUR MARKETING TEAM. LINK WILL BE PROVIDED IN JULY. WE WILL NOT TAKE LATE ORDERS. ONCE THE STORE ONLINE CLOSES YOU CAN NO LONGER ORDER ITEMS.

COMMUNICATION:

- **Please frequently check our website www.aeddance.com for updates; weekly checks are encouraged during competition season. Also check the Monthly Newsletter Page and Company Page.**
- **Please follow AED Dance Studio's Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/aeddancestudio/?hl=en>. We post and update rehearsals, competition updates, and send reminders through this source.**
- **We were made aware this year, some email providers block blast emails. Please add officestaff@aeddance.com to your contacts. If you do not receive reminder emails monthly contact the office.**
- **Please know: We give you information on competitions as soon as we have received it and organized the times for the entire studio. We get the info to you as soon as we can. Times are usually release 7 days before the event. We try to have it to you within 5-7 days. Usually it is 5 days.**
- **If you ever have a question, please send us an email at officestaff@aeddance.com or call the main office at 801-571-0281.**
- **If you have a concern or question, always go straight to the source, the main office.**
- **AED has a zero tolerance policy on DRAMA. We will handle TEAM issues first in studio and if they continue parents will be notified.**
- **AED will bend over backwards to help dancers and parents have a positive experience. We strive to handle each concern the best we can; if approached with respect, understanding and maturity. Approaching staff with anger will cause an immediate removal from AED. Nothing positive is every accomplished in life with anger. We spend countless hours trying to help our students to progress and provide them with amazing opportunities to accomplish their goals. We recognize misunderstandings occur and can easily be remedied by clarification and communication on both sides.**

We are very excited for a new season and another amazing year at AED.

AED Company Contract

I, the undersigned, have read, understand, and agree to follow the Company Requirements for an AED Company Member. I understand immediate removal from the program will occur, should the requirements not be followed. I also understand no refund of tuition, choreography fees, camp fees, competition fees, costumes, etc. will be given. I understand the commitment is a full year, June 2023- June 2024.

I also agree to wait the requested 72hr period, before contacting AED in regards to company placement.

Student

Date

Parent

Date