

Dance Plus Pride Team

Contract

***** PLEASE READ CAREFULLY! *****

The **2022-2023 Pride Team** is designed to further develop the performance level and dance technique of those dancers who have shown a high level of dedication and commitment. **This is a team for the more serious student**, and **you** are invited to become a team member! CONGRATULATIONS!!!

At **Dance Plus**, there are dancers who are disciplined, those who have strong dance technique, and those who have a superior performance level - *but few have all three*. You have been extended an invitation to participate on the Pride Team because you have demonstrated that you have the combination of performance style, energy, technique, and discipline necessary to succeed. However, you must continue to perform at this level and be prepared to push yourself to grow beyond it. Auditions for the Pride Group will be held EVERY year. After participating in the group, you now will also be judged based off of past behavior and performance within the group. No one is guaranteed a spot, so continue to work hard!!

If you and your parents decide to accept this invitation, the following is REQUIRED:

1. Must maintain a 3.0 (B) average and submit your report card at the semester's end.
2. All members will perform in the annual studio recital, and are required to participate in additional studio performances, however **must audition to perform in competition**.
3. Pride will compete in at least **2 REGIONAL COMPETITIONS** and 1 possible NATIONALS; **Attendance and fees**(approx. \$55/group dance) **are mandatory if chosen to perform**. All dancers will be assessed for the number of group dances they are eligible to compete this year throughout September, and will be notified by the end of the month. No more than 4 dances (excluding specialties and any additional teams they are a part of).
4. A lack of discipline during class will not be tolerated - hard work, full-out dancing and concentration on **YOUR** performance is expected. After 3 negative behavioral incidents you will be asked to leave the team.
5. No more than **FIVE (5)** absences are permitted for technical classes and **THREE (3)** for Pride rehearsal. You will be competing against dancers who dance five, six and even seven times a week, so we must make the most of the available class time.
6. Pride dancers are required to take their assigned technical classes(Tues/Thurs) and 1 specialty class.
7. **Second year** and up dancers are eligible for **Specialty pieces**(solos, duets, trios).
8. **Specialty Pieces** - NEW eligibility requirements this year. Will be shared with eligible dancers during Boot Camp. The number will be choreographed by a teacher at the rates of \$300(solo) and \$280(duet/trio), and reviewed by Jamell. NOTE: In order to compete in nationals and perform in recital, the specialty must receive the following competition placement: Intermediate (Highest adjudicated award); Advanced (Top 2 highest adjudicated awards)
9. All dancers are required to have the appropriate hairstyle, correct costume and tights, and uniformed jewelry, unless specified otherwise by the instructor, at ALL PERFORMANCES – this includes Competition, Recital, and any other promotional performances. NO EXCEPTIONS!
10. Other Financial Commitment:
 - (New members only) Pride Group “Spirit Pack” in which will include a warm up and bag that must be worn to all performances - approx \$160 - \$185 (due in November)
 - Boot Camp Fee (includes “Spirit Wear”) - \$110 (due by the first day of Boot Camp, \$25 late fee on the 2nd day)
 - Monthly Rehearsal Fee(Oct - May) - \$5 per group dance – Family Rate - \$30**NOTE:** Dancers will not be registered to compete if their tuition fees are not current.

We are very excited about your participation!

If you accept this invitation, and the requirements associated with it, please register for the 2022-23 Pride Team on the parent portal, sign this Pride Team Contract and return to Jamell via email or bring it to the first day of Boot Camp.

(Please also make a copy for you to keep at home.)

Welcome to the next level of performance!

* My signature below is confirmation that I have read, fully understand, and agree to the requirements of the **2022-2023 Dance Plus Pride Group**.

My dancer, _____ will participate and abide by all requirements.

Date: _____ **Dancer:** _____ **Parent or Guardian:** _____