

Welcome to Bella School of Dance at Crossroads Church!

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Calendar:

First Day of Class: Thursday, September 10
Parent Observation Week: Monday, November 9-Thursday, November 12 (during entire class)
Costume Deposit Due: By November 1 (Only if you are in more than 1 dance class; \$20 for each class per student)
Annual Christmas Party: TBA
Final Costume Due: By Thursday, January 14
Pre-school Performance: Saturday, May 21 at St. Stephen's Church; 1 pm
Pre-school Dress Rehearsal: Friday, May 20 at St. Stephen's Church; specific class times TBA
Spring Performance: TBA
Performance Dress Rehearsal: TBA

No Class:

Thanksgiving Break: Wednesday, November 25-Thursday, November 26 (Class resume Mon. Nov 30)
Christmas Break: Monday, December 21-Friday, January 1 (Class resumes Mon. Jan 4)
Easter Break: Tuesday, March 22-Monday, March 28 (Class resumes Tues. March 29)
Memorial Day: Monday, May 30

Class Schedule:

MONDAY

12:15-1:00	Creative Movement	3-4 years old	Vogue Bryant
3:45-4:30	Creative Movement	3-4 years old	Vogue Bryant
4:30-5:00	Tap 3	10-13 years old	Vogue Bryant
5:00-5:45	Jazz 3	10-13 years old	Vogue Bryant
5:45-6:15	Hip Hop 3 & 4	10-16 years old	Vogue Bryant
6:15-6:45	Tap 4	Upon placement	Jenna Hughes
6:45-7:30	Ballet 3/4 (extra night of technique)	10-17 years old w/ 1 year of experience in Level 3	(Jenna Hughes)
7:30-8:30	Jazz 4	Upon placement	Jenna Hughes

TUESDAY

4:30-5:00	Jazz 2A	7-10 years old	Vogue Bryant
5:00-5:45	Ballet 2A	7-10 years old	Vogue Bryant
5:45-6:15	Tap 2 A/B	7-10 years old	Vogue Bryant
6:15-7:00	Ballet 2B	8-11 years old	Vogue Bryant
7:00-7:30	Jazz 2B	8-11 years old	Vogue Bryant
7:30-8:00	Hip Hop 1 & 2	7-11 years old	Vogue Bryant

WEDNESDAY

4:30-5:15	Pre-dance*	4 ½-5 years old	Abbey Dean
5:15-5:45	Ballet 1	6-7 years old	Anna Kate Melani (maternity leave sub-Barbara Anna Lewis)
5:45-6:30	Tap/Jazz 1	6-7 years old	Anna Kate Melani (maternity leave sub-Barbara Anna Lewis)
6:30-7:30	Zumba	Adults	Rachelle Arnold (\$5 drop-in which includes childcare)

THURSDAY

4:00-4:15	Pointe	Upon placement	Emily Chalmers
4:15-5:30	Ballet 4	Upon placement	Emily Chalmers (pointe students will wear shoes)
5:30-6:15	Lyrical 4	Upon placement	Emily Chalmers
6:15-6:45	Leaps and Turns	Upon placement	Emily Chalmers
6:45-7:45	Ballet 3	Upon placement	Emily Chalmers
7:45-8:15	Lyrical 3	Upon placement	Emily Chalmers

*Must be 5 by January 1.

Frequently Asked Questions

Dance Attire: What should my child wear to class?

All dance shoes must be purchased at a dance store. You can find affordable shoes at All that Jazz in Wexford: 724-933-0555. Dance attire can be purchased at a dance store or Target/Walmart.

Creative Movement: Pink or black leotard, pink tights, and pink leather ballet slippers. Loose fitting clothes for boys and black ballet shoes.

Ballet: Black leotard, pink tights, and, pink leather ballet shoes (I suggest Bloch slippers). Levels 3 and 4 are encouraged to wear split sole ballet slippers. Black, ballet skirts/shorts may be worn.

Jazz/Lyrical: (Jazz 1-3) Black leotard, tan, black, or pink tights, and black slip on jazz shoes. Black capris, shorts, or jazz pants are optional. (Jazz 4/Lyrical) Same attire but barefoot or Foot Undeez or Dance Paws.

Tap: Attire same as Jazz. (Tap 1-2A): Black tap shoes (preferably So Danca), tights, and leotard. (Tap 2B-3) Black, oxford tap shoes.

Hip Hop: Loose clothing such as sweatpants, shorts, and t-shirts. Black, hip hop dance sneakers or high tops purchased at a dance store.

- **Hair must be pulled back at all times.**
- **All students wearing ballet slippers must tuck their bows in.**
- **All ballet students must wear tights. No exceptions. Footless tights are allowed.**

Communication: How do you communicate with students and their families?

The majority of information is communicated through emails. Therefore, it is very important that we receive your correct email address and any updates when it changes. **If you do not have an email address, please let us know and we will make sure that you receive a paper copy of all information.**

Behavioral Discipline Policy: Do you discipline the children in class?

Our teachers do not anticipate problems but in the case that students are behaviorally disruptive, we follow a Discipline Procedure. It goes as follows: quiet warning, quiet warning, and if behavior persists, child will be asked to sit along the wall. Parents are notified after class. If behavior still continues, the child will be dismissed from class.

Parent Observation: Are we allowed to watch class?

The only time that parents are allowed to watch class is during **Parent Observation Week and Videotape Week**. Parent Observation Week is reserved only for parents, not for extended family. Parents are encouraged to come and watch their student's progress for the entire class. Videotape Week is held during the first week of April and May. Parents are encouraged to come to the last five minutes of class to video their recital dances. Children are encouraged to practice with their videos at home.

Waiting Rooms: Do we wait while our children are in class or are we allowed to leave the studio?

You are welcome to do either! If you choose to wait, please see the information on the waiting rooms below.

Sewickley Waiting Room

The dance studio has a small waiting room. Please enter the second floor of the Henning House quietly (as other classes will be in session) and go directly to the waiting room. I encourage all parents to drop off their children and leave the studio during class. If you decide to wait in the room, you must keep the door closed at all times. If you or your children become too noisy it is an extreme distraction to the class, and your children end up missing out. Students must wait in the waiting room until the teacher calls their class by name.

Cranberry Waiting Room

The church has a lobby where the parents are welcome to wait. However, the studio does not have a dropped ceiling, which is great for dance but not for sound! Please be considerate while you wait. If you or your children become too noisy it is an extreme distraction to the class, and as a result, your children end up missing out. If your child gets restless, parents and children are encouraged to use the Nursery and Ark Room, both of which have toys. Please clean up all toys when you are finished in the room.

Commitment: What is the commitment when signing up?

At the time of registration, you are registering your child in the 9 month program, September-May. Tuition is non-refundable. Please consider that when choosing your payment option. If you are uncertain if your child will like class, choose the monthly payment option. If your child does not like the class, you are welcome to withdraw at any time. Please keep in mind that tuition is non-refundable. Students will not be refunded for missed classes. They are able to take another class to make up for an absence.

Registration: When is the last day to register?

Because we order recital costumes in January, the last day to register for the year is January 15. Nonetheless, it is always best to start at the beginning of the year so that your child is not behind.

Attendance: Do you have an attendance policy?

Yes. Failure to attend class, regardless of payment, may jeopardize your child's growth in dance. It also jeopardizes the recital performance for all the children in the class. If your student misses more than 2 dance classes in April and May, your child may not be in the new section of the dance or may require private lessons. If your child is sick or injured and they are still able to watch class, we ask that they do so. Please notify your teacher when your child will be absent.

Costumes: Will my child wear a revealing costume? How much will it cost?

We will always choose honorable clothing that is age-appropriate for the performance. For each class, the cost of the costumes will range from \$35-55. For a sample of our costumes, visit the website for pictures.

Costume deposits (only for students in more than one class) are \$20 per class. The deposit is due by November 1. The remaining costume balance is due by January 10. Monthly costume payment plans are available for parents.

Music: What kind of music do you use?

We use all types of music. There will be no profane lyrics in our music. Most of our songs are instrumental or inspirational.

Inclement Weather: What happens when there is inclement weather?

In the case of inclement weather, please call the studio answering machine 724-934-0555 or visit our Facebook Page to find out if class is cancelled. There will be no refunds or make-ups for cancelled classes due to inclement weather.

Tuition and Registration

Hour of class PER week PER child	Pay monthly (PAID BY THE 1 ST OF EVERY MONTH)	Pay Quarterly (PAID 4x A YEAR) At the time of registration; Nov. 15; Jan. 15; Mar. 15	Pay Semester (PAID 2x A YEAR) At the time of Registration & January 15
30 minutes	\$38	\$85.50	\$171
45 minutes	\$40	\$90	\$180
1 hour	\$45	\$101.25	\$202.50
1 hour 15 minutes	\$50	\$112.50	\$225
1 hour 30 minutes	\$55	\$123.75	\$247.50
1 hour 45 minutes	\$60	\$135	\$270
2 hours	\$65	\$146.25	\$292.50
2 hours 15 minutes	\$70	\$157.50	\$315
2 hours 30 minutes	\$75	\$168.75	\$337.50
2 hours 45 minutes	\$80	\$180	\$360
3 hours	\$85	\$191.25	\$382.50
3 hours 30 minutes	\$95	\$213.75	\$427.50
4 hours	\$105	\$236.25	\$472.50
4 hours 30 minutes	\$115	\$258.75	\$517.50

- There are 3 PAYMENT OPTIONS for your convenience. You may choose any option. Monthly payments are paid from September through May, regardless of absences.
- We ask that you do not switch payment plans throughout the year.
- We do accept Automatic Bill Payments from your bank. If you choose to do Automatic Bill Pay, please have your bank mail the check to Bella School of Dance, P.O. Box 333, Sewickley, PA 15143. 724-934-0555
- There is a \$20 annual registration fee due at the time of registration. Limit of \$35 for one family.
- There is a 10% discount for families with two students; 15% for families with 3 students; 20% for 4.
- If your student takes 3 or more hours per week, please take an additional 5% off.
- Students are not permitted to attend class until all the registration form is completed and the first tuition payment is paid. All payments are non-refundable. Please keep that in mind when you choose your payment plan.
- Dance scholarships are available. They are limited and are on a first come first serve basis.
- Make checks payable to **"Bella School of Dance"**. A \$25.00 fee will be charged for all checks returned.

To register: Please send the (1) registration form, (2) registration fee, and (3) 1st payment to Bella School of Dance, P. O. Box 333, Sewickley, PA 15143.