

## **Studio Policies**

Studio Policies are subject to update. Please check back in regularly for any changes.

### **REGISTRATION**

- Registration will be completed on a first come, first serve basis, you must submit payment to reserve your place.
- All students will be placed at the discretion of the instructor.
- All students must meet minimum age requirements of selected class as of each new term. (September 12, December 5, March 20). Late registrations will be placed at the discretion of the instructor.
- No new registration will be accepted in any full year classes, after March 20, 2023, for the current year, in order to prepare for year end recital (TBC).

### **CLASSES**

- There is no previous training required for any classes.
- Pre-school Ballet begins at age 3, dancers must be fully toilet trained and no pull ups, students must be able to enter the studio without parental accompaniment.
- Classes enrolment will be capped at 12 students per class.
- Classes will rarely be cancelled unless due to inclement weather or illness. On these occasions parents will be notified via text or email. Notifications will also be posted on Facebook (Dance Nouveau), Twitter (@dance\_nouveau), Instagram (@dance.nouveau), TikTok(@dance.nouveau)
- Observation days will be held on the last day of every term, all are welcome.
- Dance Nouveau reserves the right to cancel any classes at any time.
- Regular attendance is vital to a dancer. Please communicate with your instructor if you plan to be away for an extended period. After 3 consecutive missed classes we will check in with you.
- Missed classes may be made up during the week in any other age appropriate class.
- Participants in 8 week programs do not participate in year end recital unless enrolled in full term program.
- Royal Academy & Imperial Society exams available, at the teachers discretion. Exams require 100% commitment, extra classes - subject to extra fees. It is highly recommended that any Vocational Students (IF & Up) are taking more than one ballet or technique class perweek.

### **FEES & PAYMENT**

- Regular fees must be paid prior to start of new term, via post dated cheque or e-transfer. Payment via credit card may also be accepted. After 60 days of non-payment. 2% interest will be charged to the account. Monthly payment plans may be organized.
- Classes will not be refunded unless due to injury or illness, with doctors note.

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- Should payment be returned, a 25\$ NSF fee, will be applied.
- Additional fees may be required for special events, recital costumes, etc., throughout the year. We try our best to keep these fees minimal for your convenience.
- Drop-In fees 20\$/per class. Or you can purchase monthly class passes @ 60\$ (5 classes) or 100\$ (unlimited). Includes Open & Donation classes, cannot be used towards syllabus classes.

## PRIVACY

- Video taping & Photography: Please be considerate of all class members, some individuals expressly do NOT give permission to appear on social media.
- Work / Home: We will not give out phone numbers or emails of our instructors without their express permission, and we ask that you do not either, please contact the studio directly with any information updates or concerns.

## UNIFORM

Students must abide by uniform requirements for safety purposes. Non compliance may result in removal from specific activities or classes. **See Below.** It is highly recommended to purchase suggest uniform as these items will be used for examinations, performances etc.

- **Leotards with skirt attached are NOT permitted**, circle skirts are designed to aid with dancers' arm training, they are also difficult to costume overtop. Tights and shoes should match dancer's own flesh-tone.
- Students in ballet **grades 1 – 8** will also require a character skirt and shoes, if you chose to purchase your own, feel free, however, we do have some available for rental for 25\$ for the year, (first come – first served) it will be the dancer's responsibility to bring them to class every week, and rentals will be first come first served. If shoes or skirt returned damaged there will be a 100\$ charge for replacement of the items. We will provide as many as possible in class for practice, but we understand some prefer not to share.
- Students in **Vocational ballet grades (IF – ADV 2)** have the option of renting a practice tutu for the year for 25\$ for solo variation and exam practice. It will be the dancer's responsibility to bring them to class every week, if returned with damages there will be a 150\$ charge for replacement of the item.
- Hair for ballet classes should be tied back in a neat bun, or braid. All other classes hair must be tied back securely. A fast moving ponytail in the eye really hurts! Modern classes may prefer something low, in order to lay with the head flat.
- Dance Notebooks will be used regularly in class as a practice tool, and for students to chronicle their dance journey.
- Consignment Basket: feel free to add your own items 10\$ or less, place items in a clear bag and please include name and email, so we can contact you when your item sells.

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- Individual prop bags will be available for purchase for Pre-school – Primary classes for a small fee. Students will be responsible for bringing them to class each week.
- Pointe Shoes: at the teacher’s discretion; begins first year IF ballet.
- Team wear/logo gear outside of Dance Nouveau is not permitted in class.

Female Identifying Individuals

Class	Leotard & Tights	Footwear
Pre-school, Pre-Primary, Primary Ballet	Tank style, light pink leotard Suggested Mondor Style: 01645 (Academy Pink) ***NO LEOTARDS WITH SKIRT ATTACHED***  Convertible tights Suggested Mondor Style : 00314	Canvas/Leather Slippers
Grade 1 & 2 Ballet	Tank style, blue leotard Suggested Mondor Style: 01645 (Academy Blue)  Convertible tights Suggested Mondor Style : 00314	Canvas/Leather Slippers
Grade 3-5 Ballet	Tank style, blue leotard Suggested Mondor Style: 03546 (Paradise Blue)  Convertible tights Suggested Mondor Style : 00314	Canvas/Leather Slippers
Higher Grade s Grade 6 – 8 Ballet	Any Style Black Leotard  Convertible tights Suggested Mondor Style : 00314	Canvas/Leather Slippers  Character Shoes/Skirt
Vocational Ballet Grades IF – ADV 2 Ballet	Any Style Black Leotard  Convertible tights Suggested Mondor Style : 00314	Canvas/Leather Slippers,Pointe shoes (with permission),Soft blocks / Practice tutu
Primary & Grade 1	Tank style, lilac leotard	Bare Feet

Modern/Jazz	Suggested Mondor Style: 03546 (Lilac) Capri Footless Tights Suggested Mondor Style : 00317	
Grade 2 – 4 Modern/Jazz	Tank style, purple leotard Suggested Mondor Style: 03546 (Purple) Capri Footless Tights Suggested Mondor Style : 00317	Bare Feet
Grade 5/6 Modern Bronze Silver Gold (Star) Jazz	Any Tank style Leotard Capri Footless Tights (Black) Suggested Mondor Style : 00317	Bare feet, Foot Undiez, Jazz shoes
Vocational Modern/Contemporary Grades IF – ADV 2	Any style Leotard Capri Footless Tights (Black) Suggested Mondor Style : 00317	Bare feet, Foot Undiez, Jazz shoes , Knee Pads (optional)
PBT/PCT	Any Style leotard & convertible/footless tights	Bare Feet
Adult Classes	You.Do.You.	

#### Male Identifying Individuals

Class	Body & Legs	Footwear
Ballet	Black or Gray fitted bike style shorts or leggings Black or White leotard, fitted T-shirt or Tank top White or black socks	White or Black Leather/Canvas Ballet Slipper
Modern, Jazz, & Contemporary	Black Fitted shirt, Black fitted pants/leggings/shorts	Bare feet/jazz shoes, Knee Pads (recommended)
		*Dance-Belts are generally introduced from the ages of 10 & up

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## **COVID – 19 MEASURES**

- We follow guidelines laid out by Peterborough Public Health, and DanceSafe Ontario.
- We ask that you screen your dancer and yourselves as if you are going to school. If you or your child is unwell, please stay home. Instructors reserve the right to deny entry of anyone with cold or flu like symptoms. Online Zoom classes are available at any point if your child must quarantine due to close contact. Please see policy regarding missed classes.
- Classes will be practicing physical distancing in class, grid lines may be used to ensure dancers remain in their own space. We encourage students who are able, to wear a mask in class if they have any signs of illness (not necessarily covid related) , as we are in a community space. Students will be provided with “own” area in class for water bottles etc.
- We kindly ask that 1 parent drop off your child where possible. If you must wait, please practice physical distancing in waiting area.
- Hand sanitizer will be provided in class as well as in the waiting area.
- We have scheduled time between classes to ease congestion in the building, and to allow for cleaning of equipment if necessary.
- We will sanitize equipment and high touch areas after each use.
- If there is a positive case in your child’s cohort we will notify you of the case, as per Public Health. We have a limited supply of rapid tests if necessary.

## IMPORTANT DATES

Summer Camps	July 4, 2022 – July 29, 2022
Intensives	August 2, 2022 – August 19, 2022
Sample Week (try any class free)	August 29, 2022 – September 2, 2022
Classes Begin (Term 1 – 12 weeks)	September 12, 2022
Thanksgiving (no classes)	October 10, 2022
Observation Days	November 28, 2022 – December 2, 2022
Term 2 Begins (payment due)	December 5, 2022
Winter Solstice Show	TBD
Winter Break TBD	TBD (December 19, 2022 – January 8, 2023) Subject to change with School Schedule
Return to Classes	January 9, 2023
Family Day (no classes)	February 20, 2023
Observation Days	March 6, 2023 – March 11, 2023
March Break	March 13, 2023 – March 19, 2023
Term 3 Begins (payment due, no new registrations)	March 20, 2023 – June 11, 2023
Make up Week (holidays etc.)	June 12, 2023 – June 16, 2023
Dress Rehearsal/Recital	(TBD)

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