

AMERICAN YOUTH DANCE THEATER RULES & POLICIES

- Students planning to be in the recital may miss no more than 3 classes in the fall or 4 classes in the spring, which they are allowed to make up. Make-up classes must be scheduled with our administrative staff and be done within the session of the child's absence in the same level class, or in a class one level below. Students may take an age appropriate class in a different discipline in lieu of a make up for a class which is only offered once during the week. Please reference our website for the full attendance policy.
- Students who miss more than the allowed number of absences must schedule a private with their teacher, at student's expense, in order to participate in the recital. The maximum number of absences a child may have and still participate in the recital by taking additional private classes is 5 in the fall and 6 in the spring. After the maximum number of absences in a semester, the student will not be allowed to participate in the recital regardless of how many private classes he/she might take.
- AYDT loosely bases its school closing calendar on the NYC public school calendar. If your child attends a private school whose vacations differ from AYDT's and he/she is absent on a day that AYDT classes are in session, he/she will be marked absent.
- Make-up classes are allowed when AYDT is closed for school holidays or inclement weather, they must be scheduled within the semester. Tuition is not prorated due to excessive absence. Classes missed due to late registration will be prorated only to students registering in or after the 3rd week of the semester (based on class availability). Students who miss the 1st or 2nd week of classes may use their make-up classes to catch up.
- Students registering late may require 1 to 2 private classes to catch up on missed material. (Decided at teacher's discretion.)
- If fewer than 3 students show up for a class on a given day, the class length may be shortened at the teacher's discretion.
- In the event of a teacher's absence, AYDT will do everything possible to provide a substitute teacher. AYDT is not responsible for notifying parents of substitutes. In the event of an emergency in which a substitute cannot be found, AYDT will combine classes or arrange a make-up class.
- **Cancellation Policy: AYDT does not issue drop-out tuition refunds after the second week of fall or spring sessions and the first week of summer sessions. If drop-out occurs before the above specified week, 25% of tuition will be retained by AYDT. Dancewear which has been worn cannot be returned. AYDT reserves the right to cancel classes due to low registration. In the unlikely event that a class is cancelled, every effort will be made to switch the student to an appropriate alternative class. If this is not possible, tuition will be refunded pro rata.**

Safety

- Please be aware that a long, steep staircase leads straight up to our second floor lobby. The stairs should be ascended and descended slowly and carefully while holding the hand rails. **Children must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver at all times.**
- **Our main entrance/exit must remain clear. Strollers must be folded and left in designated area. If you cannot or do not wish to fold your stroller, you may leave it on the sidewalk at your own risk. Any strollers left unfolded in our entrance will be placed on the sidewalk by AYDT staff.**
- **For safety reasons, students who arrive more than 10 minutes late and miss the warm-up part of class, will only be permitted to observe the class.**
- Children's ordinary belongings may be left neatly in dressing rooms. Keep valuables with you. AYDT is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- All dressing rooms are same sex designated. Parents or caregivers assisting young children of the opposite gender should use one of the gender neutral restrooms for changing.

Class Etiquette

- AYDT rules and policies, dress code, attendance policy and school calendar are available on our website. Recital information is sent to parents via email. JR division and younger SR division students are provided with an **AYDT Information Folder** containing all necessary documents for the semester (recital details, etc.) along with general school information and a copy of our Rules and Policies. Folders should be brought to each class. Young children receive stickers on their folders as a reward for age-appropriate good behavior at the end of each class.
- Please observe proper Dress/Hair Code. No costumes, tutus or dress-up clothes. No street shoes allowed in the studios. No dance shoes allowed on the street
- Students should use the bathroom before class.
- Parents or caregivers should pick up children promptly after class and advise administrative staff if someone else will be picking up your child.

Payment along with completed registration form, signed rules and policies page and signed recital contract is required to reserve a spot in a class.

- I have read the Rules & Policies of American Youth Dance Theater, Inc. (AYDT) and understand them and agree to abide by them.
- I understand that dancing, like any physical activity, naturally presents the risk of injury. I assume all risks ordinarily associated with participation in dance classes and hereby release AYDT and its officers, directors, agents and employees from all liability for any injury, damage, loss or expense suffered or incurred by my child or me arising out of participation in dance classes and other activities, and the use of facilities and equipment.
- I am aware that dance education at times requires "hands on training" in which instructors will gently touch a child's body to explain proper alignment, positioning or engagement of their muscles and I consent to such training.
- I certify that my child has no condition that, in the exercise of reasonable prudence, would prohibit full participation in activities at AYDT. I agree to inform instructors of any physical or developmental needs that may require special attention.
- In case of an emergency and I cannot be reached, I authorize AYDT to apply first aid or secure medical treatment for my child. **I also certify that my child has health insurance.**
- I understand that young children who may need assistance in the restroom must have a parent or guardian remain on premises during class. If no such parent or guardian remains on the premises, I authorize AYDT personnel to assist my child in using the restroom if needed.
- I understand that I am responsible for the supervision of my child prior to and after class and that it is not permissible to leave my child unsupervised.
- I hereby authorize AYDT to take photographs and make audio-visual and sound recordings of my child, to quote statements by my child, and to reproduce and distribute such materials for news, educational, promotional and advertising purposes, in any and all media, now known or hereafter developed, throughout the world. PROVIDED, without my prior written consent, my child's name will not be used, and my child's image will not appear alone but only as part of a group of children. All such materials are the property of AYDT. Neither my child nor I will be entitled to any compensation for or rights in these materials. I release AYDT from all liability with respect to the use of these materials as provided above.
- I understand that AYDT does not prohibit parents and guardians from taking their own photographs and making their own audio-visual and sound recordings of their children in classes or at recitals. I understand that AYDT has no control over the use of these materials by parents and guardians or others. I release AYDT from all liability with respect to the use of these materials created and distributed by parents and guardians or others.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Date: _____

American Youth Dance Theater 2019 Holiday Recital Participation Contract

Senior Recital: Performance for students in GRADES 1—12 : Students in more than one class may perform on multiple days:

Date & Time: MANDATORY Dress Rehearsals Tues./Wed./Thurs., Dec. 3, 4, 5 *Time and Classes TBA*
Performances Fri./Sat./Sun. Dec. 6, 7, 8 *Time and Classes TBA*
Location: The Kaye Playhouse at Hunter College, E. 68 Street, between Park and Lexington Avenues.

Junior Recital: Performance for levels Pre-Ballet 1-3, Tap Intro & Hip Hop Intro: Classes will perform on ONE of the following days:

Date & Time: Saturday, December 14 *Time and Classes TBA*
Sunday, December 15 *Time and Classes TBA*
Location: AYDT Studios 3 & 4, 2nd floor

Fees: The costume cost is included in your child's tuition; see below for ticket purchase information.

Rules & Requirements:

- Participation in the performance is a privilege reserved for students who have met the **attendance requirements** and have exhibited good classroom behavior during the course of the semester.
- **Any student who does not attend the dress rehearsal will not be allowed to participate in the performance. ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS FOR ANY CIRCUMSTANCES WILL BE MADE.**
- **Students may have no more than 3 total absences in a given class in order to participate in the Holiday performance. PLEASE SEE THE FULL ATTENDANCE POLICY ON OUR WEBSITE.**
- Any students with behavioral problems in class will be put on probation and removed from the performance unless behavior improves significantly.
- Students are cast in dances based on multiple criteria including technical ability, work ethic and attendance. AYDT faculty tries to be as fair as possible when casting dances. Our philosophy is to encourage students to work together as a team and we will not tolerate rivalry between students or parents over casting. **AYDT faculty will absolutely not entertain complaints or discussions with parents concerning unhappiness with casting.**
- **RECITAL TICKETS:** Junior Recital Tickets are purchased through AYDT. Recital Forms (ticket orders, etc.) and information on due dates for the forms can be found in your child's AYDT Information Folder. Senior Recital tickets are purchased directly from The Kaye Playhouse box office.
- Costumes will be handed out approximately 1-2 weeks before the performance. Recital costume orders are placed at the beginning of each semester. Costumes are ordered a bit larger to leave room for growth.
- AYDT reserves the right to reschedule or cancel performances. In the event of cancellation, all performance related fees (not including tuition) will be refunded.
- We understand that on occasion a situation may occur in which a student will be unable to participate in the recital. We ask that any student who needs to drop out of the recital for any reason other than a last minute emergency, please notify AYDT **no later than 4 weeks before the performance.**
- **FOR FIRST-TIME SENIOR PERFORMERS: Parents, be aware that the logistics for the senior recital are very different from those for the junior one. It is a two-day commitment, and is a much longer day than junior performers are used to. Children will be in a safe, controlled environment. THEY WILL HAVE FUN, DON'T WORRY!!**

- **PLEASE NOTE: These are holiday performances that include Christmas as a theme; however it is in a secular, non-religious context. Anyone who is uncomfortable with Christmas, even in a secular form, may opt out of performing in the recital.**
- **Broadway 4 & 5, Contemporary 1 & 2, and Ballet students in levels 3-Advanced are required to attend extra recital rehearsals at the AYDT studio on **Sept. 21 and Oct. 19** between 11:30 am and 6 pm. Exact times for each class TBA.**
- **All students performing in the Nutcracker (Ballet levels 1 and up, and Advanced Tap) are required to attend extra recital rehearsals at the AYDT studio on **November 2 and 16** between 11:30 am and 6 pm. Exact times for each class TBA.**

Please check one of the options below:

- _____ I understand the above Performance Rules and Requirements and agree to bring my child on the above mentioned dates, either for the Junior or Senior Recital and all required rehearsals. I do not foresee any circumstances that should prohibit my child from complying with the attendance policy and will notify AYDT's administrative staff in due time if my situation changes or to arrange and pay for a private class if my child misses more than 3 classes this semester.
- _____ My child WILL NOT participate in the Holiday Recital.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Date: _____

AYDT TUITION

- NO STUDENT WILL BE ALLOWED TO BEGIN CLASS WITHOUT HAVING MADE THE FULL TUITION PAYMENT OR THE FIRST MONTH'S AUTO PAYMENT
- FAMILY DISCOUNT: \$50 deducted from total tuition.

Junior Level Classes	One Semester	Full Year	One Semester Auto Pay	Full Year Auto Pay
1 class/week	\$730	\$1387.75	5 payments of \$151	10 payments of \$143.78
2 classes/week	\$1387.75	\$2672.61	5 payments of \$282.55	10 payments of \$272.26
3 classes/week	\$2013.25	\$3894.59	5 payments of \$407.65	10 payment of 394.46
Senior Level Classes	One Semester	Full Year	One Semester Auto pay	Full Year Auto pay
1 class/week	\$760	\$1446.75	5 payments of \$157	10 payments of \$149.68
2 classes/week	\$1446.75	\$2788.67	5 payments of \$294.35	10 payments of \$283.87
3 classes/week	\$2100.25	\$4065.74	5 payments of \$425.05	10 payments of \$411.57
4 classes/week	\$2720.50	\$5277.98	5 payments of \$549.10	10 payments of \$532.80
5 classes/week	\$3307.50	\$6425.38	5 payments of \$666.50	10 payments of \$647.54
6 classes/week	\$3861.25	\$7507.94	5 payments of \$777.25	10 payments of \$755.79

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCE

Class	One Semester	Full Year	One Semester Auto pay	Full Year Auto pay
FIRST STEPS and M&M (9 classes)	\$350	N/A	N/A	N/A
TINY TOTS	\$685	N/A	5 payments of \$142	N/A
TECHNIQUE 1, 2, 3	\$598.50	\$1167.08	5 payments of \$119.70	10 payments of \$116.71
PRE-POINTE 2X/WK.	\$364.47	\$710.72	5 payments of \$72.89	10 payments of \$71.07
BEG. POINTE 2X/WK.	\$422.87	\$824.60	5 payments of \$84.57	10 payments of \$82.45
INT. POINTE 2X/WK.	\$450.37	\$879.60	5 payments of \$90.07	10 payments of \$87.96
INT. POINTE 2x/WK + VARIATIONS	\$702.47	\$1373.94	5 payments of \$140.49	10 payments of \$137.39
PRE-PROFESSIONAL	\$565.25	\$1102.24	5 payments of \$113.05	10 payments of \$110.22

AYDT UNIFORMS

- Students are REQUIRED to wear AYDT uniforms.
- If you are paying tuition in full, please add the uniform fee to the tuition cost.
- If you are paying tuition by automatic monthly payment, the total uniform fee will be included in your first payment.
- If your child already has level-specific AYDT dancewear you are not required to purchase a new uniform.

CLASS	UNIFORM	FEE
First Steps, Mommy-n-Me, Tiny Tots, Pre-Ballet	pink leotard, pink tights, ballet slippers, chiffon skirt; NO TUTUS	\$67
Ballet 1A, 1B, 2	blue skirted leotard, pink tights, ballet slippers	\$67
Open Level Ballet 1, 2, 3	black leotard, pink tights, full sole ballet slippers	\$57
Ballet 3, 4	lavender leotard, black leo, 2 pink tights, ballet slippers	\$97
Ballet 5, Inter. Ballet, Adv. Ballet	blue leo, black leo, 2 pink tights, split sole ballet slippers	\$105
Contemporary	black tights (<i>wear black ballet leotard</i>)	\$10
Tap Intro, Tap 1A	black leotard, tan tights, patent leather tap shoes	\$58
Tap 1B, Tap 2, Tap 3	black leotard, black leggings, split sole tap shoes	\$80
Inter., Adv., Open Level Tap	black leotard, black leggings, split sole tap shoes	\$85
All Broadway classes	black leotard, black tights, tan jazz shoes	\$57
Hip Hop classes (girls)	black t-shirt, black leggings, hip hop sneakers	\$68
Hip Hop classes (boys)	black t-shirt, black cargo pants, hip hop sneakers	\$78