



# **DANCE**

**We welcome you to our DA dance program. Dance has so many long lasting benefits, such as building self-esteem, endurance, strength, grace, learning to work with others and so much more! It's our dream come true to see our students make their middle school, high school and collegiate teams. We are equally as proud of seeing the growth of each of our students and the joy on their faces when they accomplish a new skill or come in as a very shy person and then light up the stage with stellar showmanship. We ask that you consider your daughters future goals when selecting a program. In order to have growth, 100% dedication is required. If your child wishes to be on a high school or college dance team, they will need to be trained in ballet, jazz, hip hop & pom + tumbling for any required skills of a collegiate hip hop team. If they would like to have a shot on a Broadway show, they will need to be trained in ballet, theatre, tap, jazz + voice lessons. For a professional NFL/NBA dance team, depending on the team most are based in jazz, pom, and hip hop. Ballet is the foundation of dance and is recommended for all students in order to be a well-rounded performer. Dance at**



the professional level is extremely competitive and many hours of training is necessary even working outside of class time perfecting their skills. In all of our classes (even the toddlers), dancers will learn correct terminology with a huge focus on development and proper technique. Even though we have designed our program to assist dancers to get to the next level, we do want everyone to feel welcome regardless of future plans. We understand the benefits of dance for everyone and want all of our students to always think very highly of their time training at Diamond Athletics, to build memories and to have fun while learning.

Private lesson are also available with our professional staff, please email

[info@diamondathletics.net](mailto:info@diamondathletics.net)

## **SPRING SHOW**

All classes will be in our spring show on the last day of the spring semester. A photo day will be held with an option to purchase photos from a professional photographer. Each class your child is enrolled in will purchase a costume, \$65 per costume. The recital fee is \$45 or \$70 per family.

## **CLASS LEVELS**

### **RECREATIONAL & I-II CLASSES (RUBY LEVEL)**

For the dancer who appreciates the discipline of dance and enjoys being with his or her peers, but may have other extracurricular activities or constraints that prevent them from devoting a large amount of time or commitment to their skill, we have our Recreational Program. We understand the youth of today are interested in many activities, and may have different obligations. This program offers an opportunity to train and progress with peers utilizing a relaxed schedule with a low level of commitment. However, it is important to realize that dancers who train more often have a tendency to progress quicker than the recreational dancer and therefore if the individual goals are not being met they may want to consider a more intense dance program here at Diamond Athletics.

*RUBY DRESS CODE: PROPER DANCE SHOES FOR EACH CLASS, ANY DANCE WEAR! NO JEANS, DRESSES, SANDALS, ECT...*



## **COMPETITIVE & III-V CLASSES (DIAMOND LEVEL)**

For the dancer who appreciates the discipline of dance and enjoys being challenged to reach new skills at a faster pace. They realize that being apart of our Diamond Level dance program requires dedication and a commitment that dance practices/performances/competitions/conventions will come before other extracurricular activities. A Diamond Level dancer must be self-motivated, respectful and a hard worker. As well as have the necessary skills. Diamond Level dancers will always have the proper dancewear and shoes on, is punctual and works on perfecting their skills outside of the studio.

*DRESS CODE: SOLID BLACK DANCE WEAR, NO WORDING OR MARKINGS ONLY LOGOS. PROPER DANCE SHOES.*

## **COMPETITIVE DANCE COMPANIES**

### **DA DIAMOND CREW HIP HOP**

Team style is based in Hip Hop. This team is COED.

Members will experience a new and exciting level of dance, performing, and the thrill of competition.

\*Team members will be recruited and selected from our Hip Hop Classes.

\*Must be enrolled at DA Dance to be considered.

\*Our recruiting process is year around. Teams will be selected during our summer program. Practice begins in September.

\*Diamond Crew: 7-14 yrs old.

\*Group Rehearsals are a minimum of 1-2 hrs per week. Plus an additional class of choice is added to your dancers weekly schedule.

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## **DIAMOND COMPANY**

This team represents Diamond Athletics in various performances, conventions and competitions throughout the year. This competitive group of dancers devotes a minimum of 5 hours a week in dance training. The company students are trained in numerous genres of dance in order to be well rounded performers and competitors.

\*All dancers must train a minimum of 6 months at DA Dance to be considered for our competitive team.

\*Ages 7 yrs old and up.

\*Must take Ballet & Jazz

\*Must be enrolled in a minimum of 4 classes a week, in addition to one team practice a week.

\*This team is offered unlimited dance classes for company members August-May.

\*Costumes, Warm ups, Travel and Competition fees are an additional cost.

\*Auditions Required.

**PETITE DIAMOND COMPANY (MUST TAKE BALLET TAP JAZZ ACRO) 7-9**

**JR DIAMOND COMPANY (MUST TAKE BALLET TAP JAZZ ACRO) 10-12**

**TEEN/SR DIAMOND COMPANY (MUST TAKE BALLET & JAZZ) 13+**

## **PROFESSIONAL & COLLEGIATE TRAINING**

Diamond Athletics hires only staff with collegiate and/or professional dance/choreography experience.

College Prep is available for all dancers 14+ throughout the year. Privates are available year around for those interested in collegiate and professional dance for all age groups.





Former students have gone on to join cheerleading and dance teams with the Dallas Cowboys, Houston Texans, Baylor University, Tarleton State, Dallas Baptist, Tyler Junior College, Cisco College, Howard Payne & many more!

*Director:* Kelli Talley-Santos, Former Dallas Cowboys Rhythm & Blue Dancer, the only Hip Hop team in the NFL













