




## DANCEWORKS PERFORMING ARTS

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### Welcome to DanceWorks Performing Arts!

We're thrilled to have you join our dance family on this exciting journey of dance, creativity, and endless possibilities. At DanceWorks, we believe dance inspires self-expression, builds confidence, and fosters lifelong friendships. Our dedicated instructors create an inclusive and nurturing environment for dancers of all ages and skill levels to thrive. Here's the essential information to kickstart your dance journey:

On the resources page of our website you'll find:

- Current schedule of classes
- Studio calendar, including studio closure dates.
- Parent/Student Handbook.
- Studio Policies

Please review our policies on communication, code of conduct, emergency closure policies and safety guidelines to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience.

How We Communicate: Our bi-monthly email broadcast is our main form of communication so please make sure we have a correct email address for you. Sometimes these can go into your spam or promotions folder. We also send out text reminders for important events so make sure the phone number on file is correct as well. Stay connected through our social media platforms for updates.

Studio Dress Code: On the About page of our website you will find our dress code guidelines for appropriate dancewear. We have a studio store with limited styles of leotards, tights, skirts, and some dance dresses. If you would like to order dance shoes, we will size your child and place an order. Orders take approximately 2 weeks to arrive. Other options for dancewear can be found online or at Target or Walmart.

Follow us on Instagram @danceworkswa and Facebook @DanceWorksPerformingArts. For any questions or concerns, reach out to our friendly staff with the information above. Thank you for choosing DanceWorks. We're excited to have you join our dance family, witness your dancer's growth, and celebrate their achievements.

Best,



Karen Cannon  
Founder & Director

DANCEWORKS  
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ANNIVERSARY

## HELPFUL TIPS FOR PARENTS OF DWPA

**Please remember that we want your child to have a quality dance education even at a young age. You can help us do that by preparing your child for class, and by following these tips.**

**BEFORE CLASS:** On the way to the studio, please help build excitement about the class and remind your child that even though you are not in the room with them you will be right outside. They may sometimes forget that you will be right there. Also, remind them that dancers “talk with their bodies” and that they need to listen to their teacher. Do not forget to bring your prop bag to every class if you are in a class ages 3-5 years!

**BATHROOM:** Please make sure to have your child use the restroom before class. If your child needs to use the bathroom during class, we will bring your child out to you so they may use one of the bathrooms outside of the studio they are in.

**ARRIVAL:** The timing of your arrival directly affects how well your child will handle class. Please do not arrive too early, or too late! In order to keep a distraction free environment in the classroom, we ask that you limit the number of guests that you bring to view class. Classes are always zoomed with password protection so that parents can stay in their car to watch. The password changes each month, please ask at the front desk or find it in our twice monthly broadcasts.

**DURING CLASS:** Allow the teachers to teach. Please don't walk into the studio if your child is having a hard time. Your child will soon learn how to listen to the teacher, find their spot, get in line, and wait their turn. We know that this is a learning process for your child and that all children develop differently. It does not bother us if your child is having a harder time. If we do need you, we will bring your child out to you. Relax and make friends! Please enjoy any of the cold or hot beverages (available in the lobby) and meet the other parents that are in your child's class. You have some time to yourself (finally) so take advantage of it and don't worry about your child in class.

**AFTER CLASS:** Remind your child that you are proud of them! Even if your child didn't have a “great” class, they will learn how to follow the directions. They all learn at their own pace. Please don't give up! Tell them how excited you are to bring them back next week.

We understand that your child may be struggling. It does not bother us if they are doing just a couple of things because we know they will catch on. We want your child to be happy and learn to love dance and the performing arts. Please trust that our faculty has been fully trained and has years of experience working with our youngest dancers. If you have any questions or concerns about your child and her/his progress, please let the front desk know and they will have the teacher reach out to you.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### Now that I've done a trial class, what do I do?

If your child loves their trial class, you need to create your DanceWorks account. Scan the QR code below and it will take you to create your account and formally enroll your child in class. Click create new account and follow the prompts. Once your account is approved we will send you an email with new parent information along with the monthly zoom password.



### Do I have to stay in the studio during my child's class?

In order to keep a distraction free environment in the classroom we ask that you limit the number of guests that you bring to view class. Our recommendation is no more than one parent watching per student. Classes are always zoomed with password protection so that parents can stay in their car to watch.

### Where do we get dancewear & shoes?

We have a studio store with limited styles of leotards, tights, skirts, and some dance dresses. If you would like to order dance shoes, we will size your child and place an order. Orders take 7-10 days to arrive. Other options for dancewear can be found online on Amazon or at Target and Walmart.

### How do I know what to purchase?

All dance class dress codes are posted on our Dress Codes & Resources page on our website.

### How do I contact the studio?

The best way is to email us at [info@danceworksperformingarts.com](mailto:info@danceworksperformingarts.com). You may leave a voicemail at (360) 892-5664. Studio hours are M-THURS 2:00-9PM & Saturday 9AM-12:30PM

### What happens when I miss a class?

All make-up classes can be done in the month of June. Students can make up as many classes that they believe they have missed as well as try other classes at that time for the upcoming year.

### Where can I park?

Any spot that does NOT have an orange post in front. Those are owned by Tropics Pawn shop and their other businesses. They will tow! All other spots along the side and back are open to DanceWorks customers.