

INFINITYDANCE CLASSES

Dancer & Parent Handbook



Welcome to the family!

OUR MISSION

Infinity Dance is committed to provide a quality dance education program for its students; to shine a spotlight on artistic athleticism; to inspire and enhance the lives of its students; and to create forever friendships that circle around our passion for dance.

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COMMUNICATION

Communication in regards to practices, competitions, etc. are done through our Family Portal in the 'Messages' section. Please be sure to check the portal and website calendar on a regular basis for updates, reminders, and new information. For the latest studio updates, follow our social media handles @infinitydancewi on Facebook and Instagram! It is the parents and dancers responsibility to stay informed by checking the website, portal and/or email. If you'd like to speak to one of our staff members, please send a request to info@infinitydancewi.com and someone will contact you within 48 hours. **Please do not contact Infinity Dance staff on their private phones, emails, or social media messaging in regards to Infinity Dance business.** This ensures that your requests are addressed accurately and according to policy.

Carissa: carissa@infinitydancewi.com

Attendance: info@infinitydancewi.com

MONTHLY TUITION

Tuition is broken down into monthly installments September-June based on a 32-week season, ***not the number of classes in a month.*** We have baked in the schedule to include studio holidays & unforeseen closures. Tuition will be automatically deducted on the first of the month with the debit or credit card on file. Late payments will be assessed a late fee of \$25. If you are having a problem paying your tuition, please see a director privately to make arrangements. This will be strongly enforced! Any declined payments will be subject to bank fees, plus a \$20 administrative fee. Infinity Dance has a no refund policy in effect for all classes and teams.

Monthly tuition includes:

- All class rehearsals
- Choreography

- Music editing
- Extra rehearsals as needed
- Recital finale choreography and rehearsals

*Conventions and additional master class opportunities not included.

Additional practices may be scheduled at the discretion of the coaches/directors. All dancers are required to participate. We do our best to accommodate at least two weeks' notice of these practices, but do ask all may have to be flexible when necessary. Extra rehearsals typically apply before major performances. Tuition fees reflect holiday breaks & scheduled days off. Practice schedule may be adjusted at the discretion of the Infinity Dance faculty. Any cancellations or changes will be sent via our communication policy. The dance season is based upon 32 weeks of instruction September-June. We have baked in extra classes to account for any unforeseen closures throughout the year.

Outstanding balances 120+ days past due will be sent to collections unless alternative payment arrangements have been approved by the with directors.

In the event of shutdown due to government order, state of emergency, pandemic, natural disaster, or any unforeseen closure etc. which causes the studio to no longer be able to offer in-person instruction, reduction of fees for virtual delivery of services will not be in effect.

ATTENDANCE

Warming up and stretching are pertinent to each rehearsal. Being late could put you at potential risk for injury. Tardiness is also disruptive to the entire class and instructors. Dancers are expected to be ready to dance (ie. hair secure, shoes on) when the instructor calls them back. Excessive tardiness or absences may result in penalty including possible suspension or termination. If you are so late you miss warm up, you may have to sit out and observe.

INJURIES

If a practice is missed due to injury, the dancer will not be allowed back on the floor until medically cleared to do so by a physician. Dancers are still required to sit in on practices. There are no refunds due to an injury. If an injury results in our staff re blocking your place, you will have the opportunity to reactive your position in the routine once you have recovered and are medically cleared. Dancers are still responsible for all fees during their injury period. Missed material may require the

dancer to make up the time privately with an instructor. Additional instruction at the dancers expense.

PRACTICE RULES

Dance supplies cannot be stored at the studio. All necessary supplies like shoes, socks, journals, etc. should be brought to each class in a dance bag and taken home each night.

Cell phones are to be turned off and kept in the dancers' bag. Infinity Dance is not responsible for valuables, so keep anything of value at home.

Directors will send dance wear requirements for each class level through [Nimbly.com](https://www.shopnimbly.com), our online dance store. Hair must be completely pulled back in a tight bun secured with bobby pins & hairspray.

<https://www.shopnimbly.com/infinitydancewi>

**** Any violations could result in a dancer being asked to sit out ****

Reusable water bottles should be brought to each practice and taken home nightly. Instructors may require additional equipment such as ankle weights, yoga bricks or flexibility bands. This will be discussed closer to practice or as needed.

Rehearsals are **closed** and observers are welcome to view class through our observation lobby. We do this for the safety and focus of the dancers and their classmates.

PRIVATE LESSONS

Private lessons are available for those struggling with technique and/or choreography, if a vacation was taken, or if a dancer would like extra help. These classes must be paid the day of the private lesson, they cannot be added to your account. If at any time an instructor feels a dancer is struggling in class, parents will be notified to schedule extra rehearsals. All private lessons are an additional fee and scheduled based on availability. If you feel your dancer needs additional lessons, please address this privately with Ms Carissa, NOT the instructors. Arrangements for private lessons should be made at the front desk or email carissa@infinitydancewi.com. Private lessons start at \$50/hour.

COSTUMES

Costumes are chosen by the Infinity Dance faculty. Costume fees paid are non-refundable. If a dancer leaves before costumes are distributed, the studio retains ownership of the costume without refund. Costume fees will vary by team level. Costumes will not be distributed to dancers until all fees are paid and current, including tuition. Any damage or loss will be repaired or replaced by the dancer at the dancers' expense. This includes any special handling fees or price increases from suppliers. Season accessories such as shoes, practice attire, bags, tights, hair items, jewelry, makeup and any additional accessories are a separate fee.

MONTHLY TUITION

Monthly Tuition Costs Are*:

30min: \$45/month

45min: \$55/month

60min: \$65/month

PRICE SCHEDULE

Tentative Payments Due:

-September: Fan gear & accessories
(Costumes due Oct 15th & Jan 15th)

-April-June: Misc. performance items (approx. \$75)

Items may be added depending on needs.

Costume breakdown: This is an estimate

Costume: \$100/routine

Tights: \$10/pair

Garment Bag: \$10

Poms: \$25-65

Infinity Dance does all costume rhinestoning in house. Parents will be asked to help stone & sew costumes. Rhinestones/appliqués (if applicable) are included in the cost of costumes. Costumes are ordered based off of your dancer's measurements. If a costume doesn't fit based off of measurements, it is your responsibility to have the costume altered.

COMMITMENT

Dancers make a 9-month commitment to their class, instructors and studio. If a dancer leaves once choreography is completed, the family will be invoiced a re-blocking fee of \$250. A dancer quitting affects everyone and re-working a routine is costly for the studio and very discouraging to their classmates. Re-blocking fees will be strictly enforced. If a dancer is pulled by parents or coaches for behavioral reasons, a re-blocking fee will be collected. If a re-blocking fee is necessary due to an injury, a fee of \$100 will be charged to cover additional instructional hours.

All fees paid are final. Once a dancer leaves the class, there will be no refunds of any sort. Any credits/funds in the dancers account will be forfeited - no exceptions.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Any and all social media postings must be favorable and done in good sportsmanship. Abuse of this is grounds for suspension/dismissal. Videos of routines cannot be posted on any social media account until the season is complete and the studio approves it. For older dancers with their own social media- you are *always representing Infinity Dance*. Infinity Dance holds our athletes to a very high standard. Infinity Dance reserves the right to make a judgement call if a post is brought to our attention. Parents will be notified if anything is deemed inappropriate. We will immediately ask the post be removed. Suspension or dismissal is possible if a post is deemed offensive or inappropriate.

FUNDRAISING

In effort to reduce costs, we fully support & encourage parent-initiated fundraising committees to be formed. The full responsibility of organizing, distribution of products, and any monies earned is completely in the hands of the parent committee, not Infinity Dance. Parents have the option to fundraise through a variety of ways (i.e. car washes, product sales etc.).

CODE OF CONDUCT AND SPORTSMANSHIP

It is extremely important that both parents and dancers are respectful to each other, Infinity Dance faculty, members of other studios, choreographers and venues. *Please do not speak or act in a negative manner, to or about anyone, or anything associated with Infinity Dance or their affiliates.* As a dance company, our goal is to teach our dancers respect and sportsmanship and create a positive learning environment. We will

not tolerate bullying, gossip, cliques, or drama amongst our athletes or athletes of a different program. If a dancer or parents' actions are not in the best interest of the studio or will in any way jeopardize the goals, expectations, reputation or well-being of Infinity Dance, immediate action will be taken. Violation of sportsmanship will result in disciplinary action, up to and including separation from Infinity Dance.

TRAVEL

Parents will be responsible for getting their dancer to all events. If for any reason you are unable to attend, please contact the front desk as soon as possible, and/or arrange for your dancer to attend with another family. Travel fees are in addition to your tuition. Please review the schedule and plan accordingly. Infinity Dance will do their best to book blocks of hotel rooms when necessary in order to lock in a better rate. We cannot guarantee being able to book everyone together. It is encouraged that all families stay at the same facility when overnight travel is necessary. Infinity Dance faculty and families work to make these events a bonding experience for families and dancers.



CLASS HANDBOOK ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

- I acknowledge receipt of the Infinity Dance class handbook.
- I acknowledge to have read the Infinity Dance class handbook in its entirety and agree to adhere to all Infinity Dance policies.
- I acknowledge Infinity Dance reserves the right to make changes to the Infinity Dance class handbook.
- I acknowledge Infinity Dance reserves the right to review any extenuating circumstances and/or exceptions to the Infinity Dance class handbook on a case-by-case situation at the discretion of the studio directors.
- I understand that failure to adhere to these rules by myself, my spouse, or guests may result in revocation of my membership to Infinity Dance at any time.

AGREEMENT

By signing this Acknowledgement, I agree that my electronic signature is the legally binding equivalent to my handwritten signature. Whenever I execute an electronic signature, it has the same validity and meaning as my handwritten signature. I will not, at any time in the future, repudiate the meaning of my electronic signature or claim that my electronic signature is not legally binding.

CERTIFICATION OF UNDERSTANDING

I also understand, acknowledge, agree and certify that:

I accept my responsibilities in the use of electronic signatures as described on this form. My execution of any form of an electronic signature function performed on an Infinity Dance Company, LLC platform to be the legally binding equivalent of my traditional handwritten signature, and that I am accountable and responsible for actions performed under such an electronic signature.