

4 Things Parents Should Know Before Choosing A Dance Studio

If most dance studios seem to have qualified, friendly teachers, experience teaching children and a big show at the end of the year, aren't they all pretty much the same? Does it really matter which place you decide to enroll at? Yes. There are 4 main things that can make a huge difference in the quality of instruction your child receives, the amount of extra work and hassles the parents must deal with and the overall enjoyment and satisfaction of being involved with a dance program. Here are 4 things that every parent should consider before deciding on a dance studio for their child.

1. WHAT IS THE SIZE OF THE CLASS?

If the dance class has fewer students in it each child will receive more personalized attention, learn more and have more fun. With younger students it is easier for a teacher to maintain control over the class and make sure each student understands the concepts and instructions. Our smaller class sizes make sure that no fundamental concepts are being missed. A smaller class size also allows our teachers to ensure that students are not developing bad habits or improper technique.

2. WHAT ARE THE "EXTRAS" REQUIRED FOR THE YEAR END SHOW?

Most studios put on a year end show in a professional theatre. Students that perform in the show must have a costume for their dance number. Some studios may require parents to sew their child's costumes, or pay extra and the parents must find their own seamstress to do the sewing. This can be inconvenient and frustrating for parents who are busy or can't sew.

Our studio provides low costume fees and uses our own professional seamstress to sew and alter the costumes, so parents do not have to worry about any costume hassles.

Most studios also require parents to purchase tickets for the recital performance. Our studio has a no hassle one time recital fee, per family.

Most studios have multiple recitals and rehearsals that can be very frustrating and time consuming for busy parents. Our studio has only one recital that parents, grandparents and friends can enjoy without taking up their whole weekend.

3. USER FRIENDLY WEBSITE

Through our continuously updated, user friendly website, busy parents can have immediate access to their own accounts and make payments on line. We also offer automatic withdrawal & accept debit/credit cards for parents convenience. We send out e-mails to our parents & students for snow days and information concerning Showtime.

4. IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE AND CUSTOMER SERVICE?

In many studios the teacher or the studio owner conducts classes and does the administration. By trying to do two jobs at once, the class may suffer as the teacher has to use class time for customer service issues, or the studio may have no customer service available if the teacher is in a class. To have a good experience it is important to choose a studio that can assist you with details like costumes or schedules, even if a teacher is occupied in a class. Our studios have office staff on hand during all regular class times, so you can get immediate assistance.