



2021-2022 Company Information



PEDC Mission Statement

The PEDC Dance Company is a team of dancers that work together to learn and grow. We are motivated through exposure to other dancers, choreography and techniques. We encourage sportsmanship and respect for each other as well as outside dancers and studios. We present genuine performances that portray our dedication to and passion for dance.

PEDC Dancer and Parent Commitment

All PEDC Dance Company dancers must make the company their #1 commitment outside of school. Dancers spend a lot of time at the studio with classes, rehearsals and team bonding events and they must sacrifice other events or things to make sure they fulfill their team commitment all year. For the PEDC company parent it is a commitment of bringing your dancers to and from classes, rehearsals, competitions, performances etc. along with a financial commitment and making this a big priority in your lives. We have seen life long friendships come from our company and we are very proud of how well our dance company dancers balance both school and dance life. The Dance Company helps build self esteem, teaches them time management, confidence, and more that will carry on with them for life.

Company Levels and Class Requirements

Pee Wee– Ages (4-5) Must be 5 by Jan 1st 2022

Mandatory classes include 1 Ballet, 1 Tap, 1 Jazz. These can be 5 year combo, Pre Jazz or Primary level classes. PEDC recommends taking Hip Hop and Acro if allowed. Dancers are only allowed 5 absences per class for the year. Dancers will be placed in classes by director.

Pre Comp – Ages (6-7)

Mandatory classes include 1 Ballet, 1 Tap, 1 Jazz and 1 other class including Acro or Hip Hop. These can be Primary level, Intro or Elem level classes. PEDC recommends taking Hip Hop and Acro if allowed. Dancers are only allowed 5 absences per class for the year. Dancers will be placed in classes by director.

Petites Ages (7-9)

Mandatory classes include 1 Ballet, 1 Tap, 1 Jazz, 1 Contemporary Class and 1 Acro or 1 Theatre Dance. PEDC recommends taking Hip Hop and other technique classes if allowed. Dancers are only allowed 5 absences per class for the year. Dancers will be placed in classes by director.



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Minis Ages (8-10)

Mandatory classes include 2 Ballet classes, 1 Tap, 1 Jazz, 1 Leaps and Turns Technique, 1 Theatre Dance and 1 Contemporary Class. PEDC recommends taking Hip Hop, Acro and other technique classes if allowed. Dancers are only allowed 5 absences per class for the year. Dancers will be placed in classes by director.

Juniors , Teens and Seniors– (Ages 10 and up)

Mandatory classes include 2 Ballet classes, 1 Tap, 1 Jazz, 1 Leaps and Turns Technique, 1 Contemporary Class, and 1 Theatre Dance. PEDC recommends taking Hip Hop, Acro, and Pointe if allowed. Dancers are only allowed 5 absences per class for the year. Dancers will be placed in classes by director.

Travel Convention/Competition Team

For the more serious competition dancer who wants to attend more conventions in and out of Florida. Dancers may be cast in group dances exclusively for this team if eligible level/age wise if we have enough interest. Solos, Duets and Trios will be cast on this team as well. We will have additional rehearsals for this team and team meetings. More info TBA.

Rehearsals/Performances

- Rehearsals will be held on Friday nights and/or Saturdays and Sundays (when needed).
- Dancers are allowed 2 rehearsals absences for the year. If dancers miss more than 2 rehearsals they may be removed from choreography.
- All Company Team members must perform in all community shows and all dance competitions.

Understudies

- We will cast 1-2 understudies per dance and dancers are not responsible for choreography fees as understudies but may need to purchase a costume and pay comp fees if they do perform. PEDC will not pay for costume or comp fees.
- Understudies need to commit to all rehearsal during the dance year. Dancers will be swung into rehearsals often.



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Choreography Fees

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- Monthly rehearsals: \$35.00 per month
- New Choreography: \$155.00 per number/per student for Small group (4-9 dancers)
\$135.00 per number/per student for Large group (10-16 dancers)
\$115.00 per number/per student for Line (17-24 dancers)
\$60.00 per number/per student for re-block dances (that we may have done previously)
- **A deposit of 35% of the choreography fees is due upon acceptance of numbers.**
- ** Example: 1 small and 1 large group is accepted: 35% = \$101.50 is due. There will be no refunds given at any point.**
- **The balance of all group choreography fees will need to be paid in full by December 1st. No exceptions to this. There will be no refunds given at any point.**
- **We will NOT be rolling choreography fee into monthly tuition. There will be no refunds given at any point.**
- Guest choreography must be PAID IN FULL and is subject to the choreographer's fee schedule and travel expenses.
- Company accounts must have a credit card on file and sign up for auto pay. If you choose to prepay with a different form of payment, the transaction must be completed prior to the 1st of the month.
- Tuition discount: All company members receive a 5% discount. The discount will be revoked if the account does not have autopay enabled or the payment is declined when charged.

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Costume Fees

- Costume expenses are approximately \$85.00 - \$150.00/per number. Stones for costumes is an additional fee. Custom costumes will incur an additional fee. Alterations will be charged an extra fee by our company seamstress. Some costume expenses are more than others so for each dance it will differ.
- All company members are required to have a black camisole style leotard and black leggings for local performances. Emails will be sent with additional costume requirements for local performances. ** Parents may be responsible for shopping for local performance costumes.
- All company members should have dance shoes for every style of dance. Black jazz shoes/pedinis will be needed for local shows.

Competition/Convention Fees

- The company will attend 3 regional competitions. Fees range from \$50.00 - \$55.00 per entry.



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- The company will attend 2 mandatory convention/competitions in addition to the above mentioned regional competitions. Convention fees range from \$260 - \$275 for ages 8 and up and \$170-195 for ages 5-7 per dancer and competition fees are \$50- \$55 per entry.
- **PEDC BACK TO DANCE BOOT CAMP is Mandatory for all team members Aug 12th-15th. More info TBA.**
- We will attend a local nationals in June/July and will have more information about this in the late fall. Students must be available for rehearsals in June and early July until nationals.

Additional Performances

PEDC Company may participate in several local performances throughout the year. Past performances have included Glitter Glisten and Snow (Haines City), Now Snowing Nightly (Celebration), and parades and nursing homes.

Other Fees

- Admin fee: \$50 per dancer for the year for administration time spent on conventions and competition entries. Due Sept 1st.
- Comp/Convention Fee-we will add a \$15 fee per event for all Optional and Mandatory Conventions and Competitions.
- Company Jacket- \$85. Sold at PEDC.
- Company Earrings- \$10/small and \$12/large. Sold at PEDC.
- Company MAC Makeup- estimated \$75-\$100/Bought on own.

Solo/Duet/Trio Fees

- Solos, Duet, Trios are invitation only.
- Dancers may choose their duet or trio partners but the director has the final approval.
- All Solo/Duo/Trios are subject to choreography fees as follows:
 - Solos: \$400.00 per number
 - Duo: \$ 250.00 per student
 - Trio: \$200.00 per student

Choreography fee includes up to 4 hours of one on one instructions or when the dance is completed, whichever comes first. After 4 hours you can schedule additional private lessons for a fee. Solo Privates will be \$35/half hour.



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- 50 % of choreography fee is due at the 1st rehearsal, the other 50% is due before finishing the choreography and instructor will notify you- No exceptions to this policy.
- All dancers must accept the choreographer's music and choreography and costumes.
- Any dancers choosing to perform a Solo/Duo/Trio must first accept at least 2 group numbers before accepting solos, duo, or trio.
- Solo/Duet/Trios will NOT perform in the annual recital.
- Must take all required classes including tech classes.
- Competition entry fees for solo/duet/trios are \$115-\$130.
- Costumes for Solo Duets and Trios have to be discussed with the choreographer and fees vary. All costumes must be approved by Miss Amie before ordering. Please DO not purchase on your own without consulting Miss Amie for approval.

Dance Competition/Convention Cancellation

If the scheduled competitions or conventions are cancelled due to Covid-19 or any other unforeseen event, all fees that have been paid toward to but not limited to costumes, choreography, tuition, team fees will NOT be refunded. It will be at the sole discretion of PEDC to use group dances/ solos for the following year in the event that competitions/conventions are cancelled.

In the event that fees have already been paid towards the competition/convention, PEDC will attempt to receive a refund from the competition/convention. It is at the discretion of the competition if they issue a refund or roll over the payment to the following year. PEDC is not responsible for a refund once the payment has been made to the competition/convention. Most competitions are allowing payment to be made closer to the event this coming year.

Class Dress code For Company Team Members

Ballet

- Solid black one-piece leotard
- Convertible pink tights
- Hair must be in a neat tight bun with hairnet
- Pink canvas split sole ballet shoe
- Boys– Black above knee shorts, solid white or black t-shirt, black ballet shoes

Tap



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- One-piece leotard
- Convertible pink or tan tights
- Hair must be pulled back away from face either in ponytail or bun
- Black Tap shoes– Bloch Audeo Tap or J Samuel Smith shoes
- Optional shorts or leggings– Black
- Boys- Black above the knees shorts, solid white or black t-shirt, black tap shoes

Jazz/Theatre Dance

- One-piece leotard
- Convertible tights
- Hair must be pulled back away from face in ponytail or bun
- Optional shorts or black leggings
- Tan Jazz shoes or Pedinis(Everyone must have a pair of shoes for classes)
- Boys-Black above the knee shorts-solid white or black shirt Black jazz shoes.

Contemporary

- One-piece leotard
- Convertible black tights
- Hair must be pulled back away from face in ponytail or bun
- Optional shorts or black leggings
- Barefeet

Etiquette/Behavior

- Dancer's phones should be turned off and put away when at the studio. No using the phone in between classes.



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- Dancers are expected to respect their teachers, guest teachers, and classmates. A positive attitude and disciplined behavior is necessary to ensure a rewarding, fun, and productive class.
- Dancers should limit talking in class and always follow directions.
- Dancers and Parents should not compare themselves to other dancers. Each student progresses and learns at their own pace.
- Parents and Dancers should never question the director or choreographers decisions with class placement, castings or choreography. We ask that parents trust the judgement of the director and teachers and support our vision for your child.

Team Events and BAND app

We have different team bonding events throughout the year to build team morale. We ask that students attend all of our team bonding events. Please make sure you pay attention to our **COMPANY BAND APP** as this is where we post all our updated information and schedule changes etc. Once on the team you will be sent an invite to join our Company band page. We post our monthly rehearsal schedules and updates on the BAND app.

Conflicts

All conflicts must be submitted in writing to the director via the conflict form (Google form) by September 1, 2021*. Conflict forms should be submitted for events such as weddings, graduations, trips and proms. We do not accommodate for after school activities such as cheerleading, dance team, play practice/performances, football games, sports, birthday parties, etc. We will post the mandatory company competition/convention calendar by October 1, 2021. In the event a competition/convention cancels, a replacement may be added to the calendar. PEDC follows the Polk County School calendar for school breaks. We will not have mandatory dates over the winter breaks from school. We follow the Polk County School Calendar so we will not compete or have rehearsals during Polk County spring break.

PEDC Closure

PEDC Company rehearsals and classes will move to digital learning if for some reason the PEDC location is closed due to government shut down, hurricanes etc.. Dancers are responsible to fulfill their team requirements by attending classes and rehearsals online and no additional discounts will be given.

If you have any questions about the 2021-2022 PEDC Company Season, or need more information please email us at Amie@performersedgedance.com or Jim@performersedgedance.com. We are looking forward to a great year with our 2021-2022 PEDC Dance Company.

Thank you,

Amie-Director of PEDC