

David Matthew Studios Competition Team Contract

A Standard of Excellence

This contract serves as an agreement between David Matthew Studios (DMS) and the dancers and parents/guardians of the DMS Competition Team. By signing this contract, all parties acknowledge and agree to the expectations, rules, and responsibilities outlined below.

1. Commitment & Dedication

- Participation on the competition team requires a high level of commitment. Dancers are expected to attend all scheduled rehearsals, competitions, and events.
- If a dancer is unable to attend a practice, prior notification must be given to the instructor. Excessive absences may result in removal from certain routines or the team.
- All dancers must maintain a positive and dedicated attitude in class and at competitions.

2. Dress Code & Presentation

- Dancers must follow the competition team dress code for all classes and rehearsals:
 - Black leotard and pink tights (ballet)
 - Form-fitting dancewear (jazz, hip-hop, contemporary)
 - Proper dance shoes for each style
 - Hair must be neatly secured away from the face
- Competition costumes must be well-maintained, and dancers must arrive at performances with proper hair, makeup, and accessories.

3. Attendance & Punctuality

- Dancers must arrive on time and be fully prepared for each rehearsal and performance.
- Absences due to illness or family emergencies must be communicated as soon as possible.
- Repeated tardiness or unexcused absences may impact a dancer's placement in routines.

4. Attitude & Teamwork

- Dancers must demonstrate respect towards instructors, teammates, and parents at all times.
- A positive and encouraging environment is expected. Negative attitudes, gossip, or disrespect will not be tolerated.
- Dancers must be willing to work together as a team and support each other in a constructive manner.

5. Accepting Corrections

- Constructive corrections are given to help dancers improve and grow.
- Corrections should not be mistaken for criticism or meanness. They are a necessary part of training at a competitive level.
- Dancers must be receptive to feedback and apply corrections without complaint or negativity.

6. Competitions & Performances

- Dancers must arrive at competitions and performances on time and fully prepared.
- Respect towards judges, competitors, and other studios is mandatory.
- All team members must display good sportsmanship, regardless of competition results.
- Parents and dancers must respect all competition rules and guidelines set by the event organizers.

7. Financial Responsibility

- Competition fees, costume fees, and any additional costs must be paid on time. Failure to do so may result in a dancer's removal from certain routines or events.
- Payments are non-refundable, even in the event of withdrawal from the team.

8. Parent & Dancer Agreement

By signing below, both dancer and parent/guardian acknowledge that they have read, understood, and agree to follow all expectations outlined in this contract. Failure to adhere to these guidelines may result in dismissal from the competition team.

Dancer's Name: _____

Dancer's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____