



# Dance Team Code of Conduct

The intention of this document is to promote respect, fairness, and sportsmanship for all participants within Absolute Dance Center teams. It is expected that all parents and dancers read and understand the code of conduct and continue to observe and follow all the principles contained within the code.

## *Dancer Code of Conduct*

### **Dancers shall...**

- \* Display good sportsmanship at all times both in class and at events, competitions, performances
- \* Control their emotions and be kind (If one has nothing nice to say, we do not say it)
- \* Support one another (We are not on a team to compete against one another, we are here to work together for the love of dance)
- \* Follow the direction of your instructors
- \* Respect all instructors, dancers, opponents, and spectators

### **Dancers shall not...**

- \* Name call
- \* Tease or use hurtful language
- \* Threaten, boss around or bully one another
- \* Humiliate another dancer

***\*\*These actions will not be tolerated and will be subject to a written warning, then release from team.\*\****

## *Parents Code of Conduct*

### **Parents shall...**

- \* Teach my child to adhere to the rules provided in the dancer code of conduct
  - \* Remember that my child dances for his/her enjoyment and this is an extracurricular activity that should be fun!
  - \* Teach my child that this is a team and that no one individual makes or breaks the team (there is no I in team) \*
- Respect my child's instructors, team mates, and team parents
- \* Refrain from gossip
  - \* Teach my child that the most important thing is to do their very best and it is not about winning or losing \*
- \* Parents shall not take it upon themselves to reprimand or address an issue directly to a team member. If necessary a meeting with instructors and parents can be requested.

### Attendance Policy

Dancers are allowed 3 unexcused absences from team class throughout the dance year. More than 3 absences will require a doctor's note. Excessive absences will result in release from the team.

Dancers will be excused from 1 mandatory performance & we ask that the studio be given as much notice as possible ex. (planned vacation, sickness, etc.) additional absence from performances will be handled on a *case by case basis*. It is important to remember that a dancer's absence affects the rest of their team.

### Instructors Code of Conduct

#### **Instructors shall...**

- \* Ensure the well-being and safety of each dancer in classroom and under instructor supervision
- \* Lead by example and always demonstrate good sportsmanship in and out of the classroom \*
- Teach dancers the values of teamwork
- \* Communicate with parents regarding any issues
- \* Continually seek improvement of dancers and evaluate their performance
- \* Continue to educate myself in the art of dance to better educate the dancers

I have read and understand Absolute Dance Center's Code of Conduct. I understand that this code is to be followed at all times and taken seriously. Failure to adhere to this code will result in one written warning and then release from the team should behavior continue.