

The Lodge Cumberland Dance Policies & Guidelines

Welcome to The Lodge Dance Program!

We're so excited to have you and your dancer join us for the 2025–2026 dance year at The Lodge. This season, we're dividing our programming into two 15-week sessions to create a more flexible and focused experience.

We ask that dancers plan to participate in both sessions, as routines for our end-of-year recital will be taught across the full season.

The recital will take place following Session 2.

Each session includes:

- 13 dance classes
- 2 scheduled breaks
- Session Fee: \$155

Groups:

Little Lodgers 4-5 Years

Island City Stars 6-7 Years

Cumberland Crew 8-10 Years

Important Dates 2025-26:

September 24th: November 26th: December 24th:	Dance class begins - Session 1 No Dance - Thanksgiving Break No Dance - Christmas Break
January 7th:	Session 2 begins
February 18th:	No Dance - Break
March 18th:	No Dance -Spring Break
April 15th:	Dress Rehearsal @ the ETC
April 18th:	Recital Showcase @ the ETC

We can't wait to dance with your child and look forward to an inspiring and joyful season together!

- The Lodge Dance Team

Drop-Off and Pick-Up

- Punctuality: Arrange to arrive 5-10 minutes prior to the start of class to change shoes and to use the facilities prior to class if needed. Children must be picked up within 5 minutes of the end of class. We ask that you come in to retrieve your child. We also ask that you do not arrive more than 10 minutes early.
- Dance Studio: We ask that parents get in the habit of bringing your children into The Lodge, however, allowing the child to enter the dance room independently. If your child is having a tough time with the separation, we will bring them outside of the dance room for a hug before trying it again.
- Parents are welcome to leave The Lodge during class, however we ask that you stay within 15 minutes in the case we need you to return. *Your child must be fully potty-trained if you plan to leave The Lodge.*
- Supervision: The Lodge is not responsible for children outside of class time.

Attendance

- Attendance is important for your dancer and the group, please do your best to have your dancer attend each class during the session. If your child is ill and not able to attend, please message or call The Lodge Cumberland prior to class. Showcases are mandatory for all dancers.
- Refunds will not be issued for missed classes.

Dress Code

- Proper Attire: Leotard, or tight fitting tank top/shirt (no dresses or street clothes please), Biker style shorts, skirt or tights
- Ballet shoes | Jazz shoes (8 to 10 year olds only- black)

Code of Conduct

• Behavior Expectations: Respectful and positive behavior towards instructors, peers, and staff is expected. Please talk to your child about having listening ears and a positive outlook towards themselves and others.

Payment and Tuition

• Tuition Fees: Payment is due prior to the session. \$155/session includes 13 classes over 15 weeks. Recital tickets, costumes and other things/items beyond weekly instruction will be charged separately.

Medical and Emergency

• Medical Information: Parents are asked to disclose any medical conditions or allergies that may impact your dance while at The Lodge.

• Emergency Contact: We must have up-to-date emergency contact information at all times.

Classroom Etiquette

- Distractions: Cell phones, gum, and other distractions are not allowed during class.
- Parent Observation: Parents are welcome to watch from outside of the studio. A viewing window is available for your watching ease.

Waiting Area Etiquette

• To help maintain a focused environment for our dancers and teachers, we kindly ask that both adults and children in the lobby and waiting areas keep their voices and movements to a minimum.

Communication Policy

- Contact Information: Email is a great way to communicate with us: <u>thelodgecumberland@gmail.com</u> or call/message 715.564.9050
- Studio Updates: Keep watch on email and our facebook group for regular updates

Inclement Weather

• If school is canceled due to weather, The Lodge will be closed. We will reschedule class to the best of our ability, however not guaranteed and no refunds will be issued.

Cancellation/Withdrawal

• Dance sessions are three months long and meet one time per week. We ask that dancers finish the session in its entirety. Parents must meet with the owner in extenuating circumstances.

Photography

By enrolling your child in dance classes at The Lodge Cumberland, you acknowledge and agree to the following:

- 1. **External Photography:** We are not responsible for photographs or videos taken by other parents, guardians, or individuals attending classes, events, or performances. These images may include your child, and we cannot control how they are used or shared.
- Studio Photography: We will take photographs and videos during classes, events, and performances for use in marketing materials, social media, and promotional purposes for The Lodge Cumberland. If you have any concerns or <u>do not</u> wish for your child to be included in any studio photographs, please inform us in writing.

Release of Liability

As the parent or legal guardian of the enrolled dancer, I acknowledge and agree to the following:

- 1. I understand that participation in dance classes, rehearsals, and performances at The Lodge Cumberland "TLC" involves inherent risks of injury, including but not limited to physical exertion, slips, falls, and other accidents.
- 2. I hereby release, waive, and discharge The Lodge Cumberland, its instructors & staff any and all liability, claims, or causes of action that may arise from any injury, loss, or damage to my child or property while participating in any TLC class or event.
- 3. I acknowledge that I am responsible for ensuring that my child is in good health and capable of participating in dance activities. I agree to inform the staff of any medical conditions or injuries that may affect my child's participation.

By signing below, I confirm that I have read, understand, and agree to the terms of The Lodge Cumberland Policies and Release of Liability statement.

Parent/Guardian Name - Print	
Signature	Date
Contact Information	
Child's Full Name	
Preferred name (if different)	
Child's Age Date of Birth	
Emergency Contact (if different than regist	
Email:	_ Phone:
Special Needs/Medical Needs or Notes:	