

SHOWDOLL DANCE TEAM CONSTITUTION

NEW SMYRNA BEACH HIGH SCHOOL

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The Showdoll Dance Team is an auditioned performance group at New Smyrna Beach High School with auditions held in the spring. The Showdolls participate in summer dance camp to qualify for nationals, Pep-rallies, fundraisers, 3 annual shows, Nationals, and other community and school performances.

I. Purpose

The purpose of this team is to be:

- Disciplined
- Respectful
- Responsible
- Organized
- A good teammate
- A positive role model to represent Showdolls and New Smyrna Beach High School.

II. Summer Requirements

- It is mandatory for dancers who are selected, to participate in Summer Dance Camp.
- It is mandatory for all dancers to participate in our summer Baby Doll Camp fundraiser.
- It is mandatory for all dancers to attend summer practices.

III. Class and Practice

- Dates on the calendar are subject to change. Dancers are expected to adjust their schedules and keep their parents informed.
- It is mandatory that dancers who make the team have the Showdoll dance class during school.

A. Class Grading

The Showdoll Dance Team class is a graded class. Dancers will be graded on the following:

- Attendance
- Participation
- Being on time
- Proper dance attire

B. Class/Practice Procedures

- Dancers must be dressed and in squad formation by the final bell with hands behind their back.
- Hair pulled back off of face.
- Dancers must wear all black to class/practice.
- NO Jewelry during practice this includes (earrings, necklaces, rings, bracelets, bellybutton rings, or any other noticeable and distracting jewelry.)
- “Thank you” is the correct response after each correction from the dancer to the director, officer, or parent.
- NO CELL PHONES in the dance room during class/practice.
- No talking during class/practice while learning routines or being given instructions or corrections.
- All personal items must be put in the locker that is assigned to each dancer.
- **After school practices are mandatory.**

C. Unexcused Absences

- Consequences for unexcused absences are
 - Demerits
 - Benched for a performance
 - Losing a spot in a routine

- You must always call the coach if you have to leave or can't make it to practice.
- Examples of Unexcused Absences
 - **Appointments:** Appointments must be arranged around practice days.
 - **Work:** Work is not an excuse for missing class, practice or a performance. When you receive the monthly calendar it is the dancer's responsibility to arrange their work schedule around practice and performance dates.
 - **Not attending because of injury or illness that does not prevent traveling:** If the injury is not severe, it is still required that you come to class/practice to observe. If you are unable to come a doctor note to the coach is required.
 - **Last minute family outings or vacations:** If vacation plans are discussed no less than a month in advance, a possible solution may be made but it is not guaranteed. Last minute vacation plans will not be excused.

D. Reasons for being removed from class/practice

- Inappropriate behavior
- Continuous disruption of class/practice
- Negative attitudes that affect the team.
- Talking back to the coach and/or an officer.
- Stealing or borrowing items from other girls without permission.
- Dancers who continuously violate the rules will be removed from the team.

IV. Performance

A. Procedures

- Dancers are required to show up on time to every performance.
- Dancers are expected to be in full uniform when they arrive.
- All attire needs to be in good condition. (Holes or stains in costumes, shoes, tights, etc... is unacceptable)

- Performance makeup must be worn.
- No talking in line.
- Act professional at all times when in uniform.

B. Requirements to perform

- All dancers must audition for the routines they will perform.
- If any class days or practices are missed the week of the performance, the dancer will be pulled from the routine.
- Dancers cannot perform with a GPA lower than 2.5

V. Daily Attire/ Uniforms

- Dancers must wear all black during class/practice. (Colored sports-bras are acceptable.)
- Colored nail polish is not allowed during any performances. French tip nails are acceptable.
- Dying your hair unnatural hair colors (blue, red, green, etc...) is not allowed.
- Uniforms that dancers wear belong to the Showdoll Dance Team and must be returned in proper condition.
- No physical contact is allowed in practice clothing, Showdoll Uniforms, or any other clothing item with the Showdoll logo. This includes kissing, holding hands, hugging etc.
- Correct accessories must be worn with every uniform.

VI. Conduct

All Showdolls must follow these rules of conduct:

- Respect your teachers and parents
- Do not speak disrespectfully about your teammates
- No smoking, drinking or the use of drugs in and out of Showdoll uniform.
- No inappropriate pictures or posts on any social media website.
- Speak the truth