

## Student Handbook

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### Classroom Liability

The Academy for the Performing Arts (APA) is not and shall not be responsible for injuries received by any student while attending class or to any person while on the premises of APA. Parents of small children are required to be at the premises when their child's class ends for the purpose of picking up their child. APA specifically, is not responsible for dance students who choose not to attend class after being dropped off, or who choose to leave the studio during or following their class.

### Attendance Policy

In the event a dancer misses a class, for any reason, he or she is welcome to make up that class in one of equal skill level and discipline. There is no need to call ahead to make arrangements to do so. Simply come, and let the instructor know you are here for a make up class. In the event of injury or prolonged illness, APA will be happy to suspend your monthly tuition payments while you recover. Please let the office know in advance if this is the case.

### Dress Code

Although we do not specify a particular style or color, students are required to wear "dance attire" to every class. Leotards with attached skirts are perfect for our littlest dancers, while stretchy pants and tight fitting tank tops are fine for the older group. We simply ask that all dancewear be fitted so the instructors are able to see the dancer's body in order to make critiques. For Hip Hop classes, play clothes are acceptable, but Jeans, Jean shorts or skirts are not.

### Shoes for Class

We do not require that dancers have specific shoes for class, however, you will need the following shoes for the recital at the end of the year. We recommend Releve Dancewear, 919-552-0004 in Holly Springs, 919-854-4442 in Cary. [www.relevedancewear.com](http://www.relevedancewear.com).

PreDance	Pink Leather Ballet Slippers
All Tap	Black (Patent Leather, MaryJane, or Oxford Styles are acceptable)
All Jazz	Black (Lace ups are permitted, but slip on Booties are recommended)
Hip Hop	Clean Sneakers or Bare Feet for Class, we'll let you know about Recital

### Photography

Since it is likely that pictures will be taken of students and classes on a regular basis for marketing campaigns, promotional materials, and general studio signage, it is necessary that your permission, as a parent or guardian of the aforementioned student, be given to take such pictures. No names will ever be used in such projects without additional permission by a parent or guardian.

### Inclement Weather

In the case of inclement weather, we operate on the Wake County Public School policy. Therefore, when Wake County Public Schools are closed due to inclement weather, the studio will be closed also, unless we inform you otherwise. Due to scheduling constraints, we are unable to reschedule entire classes. However, students may attend any appropriate class at their convenience in order to make up for lost time. We do not refund or pro-rate tuition due to inclement weather closings.

### Payment Information

Upon registration, you will pay for your first and last month of classes, as well as a registration fee (if applicable). Your first month of classes may be prorated. Payments to the Academy for the Performing Arts will only be accepted in the form of credit or debit card. We accept Visa, Mastercard, American Express, and Discover. One exception to this rule is if you would like to pay for the year in full. You may do so by check, cash, credit or debit card and receive a 5% discount.