

# Dress Code

Attire is important for how one dances and moves in their body. We want proper attire to promote self-confidence and easy mobility. Here is a breakdown for all classes and their dress codes.

## **Ballet**

- All students are expected to wear bodysuits (any color).
- Bloch Ballet LIGHT PINK tights.
- Bloch 205 pink leather full sole ballet shoes.
- Skirts are welcome to class, but please make sure we can see your knees.
- No jewelry (small earrings allowed).
- Inter and senior dancer: Please be aware that no bras are to be worn under your body suit as all body suits have built in bras. If you do need more support, please wear something accommodating to your body suit. You are more than welcome to wear a sports bra under your bodysuit.
- Boys: T-shirt, tank, shorts. Black full sole ballet Shoes.

## **Jazz**

- Options are body suits, sports bra, tank tops, shorts, and or leggings. You need to be able to move in your clothing and not be distracted by it. Depending on the schedule you may not have time to change. Sometimes putting shorts overtop of your body suit is the easiest way to go. Clothing that can be a distraction is not appropriate for class. We want their full focus on participating in class.
- Bloch *LIGHT TAN* tights
- Bloch 499 Beige jazz shoe
- No jewelry (small earrings aloud)
- Boys: T-shirt, tank, shorts. Black split sole Jazz Shoes.

## **Lyrical**

(Same as Jazz)

## **Contemporary**

- Options are body suits, sports bra, tank tops, shorts, and or leggings. You need to be able to move in your clothing and not be distracted by it.
- Tights or bare legs will be decided once costume is chosen.
- No Shoes

## **Tap**

- Options are body suits, sports bra, tank tops, shorts, and or leggings. You need to be able to move in your clothing and not be distracted by it.
- Bloch LIGHT TAN tights

Level 1 - CAPEZIO Mary Jane Carmel tap shoes

Level 2 and 3 - CAPEZIO Ladies Tap CG19 Tap Shoes, Black OR  
BLOCH Ladies Jason Samuels Smith Tap Shoes, Black

Boys: T-shirt, tank, shorts. Black Tap Shoes. (Same as level 2 and 3)

## **Hip Hop**

- Students in hip hop are expected to wear loose fitting, comfortable clothing, and clean indoor, non-marking sneakers. (In the past combat boots have wrecked the CE floor and had to be cleaned as they left black rubber marks.) Please NO combat boots for class. But they may be worn for competition.

## Competition Dancers

- For classes do NOT wear your best tights. Class is to use up all of your previous tights that you own at this time.
- Shoes, you do NOT need to buy new shoes for the beginning of the season. I suggest you wear what you have and over Christmas break purchase your new shoes so that the students have time to break them in.

## **Hair**

Hair for all students in ballet class MUST BE IN A CLASSICAL BUN. Hair for the rest of classes must be pulled back into a ponytail or braid. Please pin bangs out of your face so we can see your pretty smile!

\*\*\*Please note that grooming and proper attire is very important when attending dance class. It allows the students to move freely without restriction, and it also allows us teachers to see their bodies to help improve and correct body alignment. Absolutely NO JEANS. \*\*\*

### **Extra Expenses for costumes**

- Buying new shoes that fit the student at Christmas time.
- You can also buy second hand! Ask around the dance community, there are Facebook groups, Dance Street sells gently used shoes as well.
- The black tap shoes have 2 price points. It is an OPTION to purchase the Jason Samuel. Yes, they are double the price. I ONLY recommend purchasing these shoes once your child's feet are DONE growing. At that point they will last for years until they are done high school. They are beautifully crafted and the best on the market. They run just over \$200 and make incredible sound as they have a wood base that projects the sound of the shoe. Once again these are an OPTION only when your child's feet are done growing.
- Hip hop shoes will also be PURCHASED to match the costume for those that are in competition. Hip hop costumes are typically a little more as we need to add shoes. We can usually keep the price low as Ardenes or Wal-Mart usually have decent shoes for a good price!
- New tights for competition season - Always purchase extra.
- Costume for competition (more details on other page)
- Possible Hair piece (If it does not come with one and the choreographer would like to add one)
- Steamer for costumes to get wrinkles out.
- And extra expense will be for any ALTERATIONS that may be done. Not all will need it, however it is also important that they fit the children correctly.
- If doing solos and duets an extra expense will be for costumes.

\*\*\*Our goal one day (not confirmed for this year) If a LARGE tap group is created with students the younger ones would have to purchase black tap shoes. Once again you can purchase second hand! We would want the shoes to match for all students if a large group was to be done. \*\*\*