



# **OPTIMUM COMPETITION TEAM**



Thank you for your interest in our competition dance team! At Optimum Dance Complex we proudly brag a NATIONAL and regional title winning team! We have created this packet to breakdown your experience on our competition team this season from practice days, commitment level, requirements, and cost. Optimum's competition team has a goal of providing a safe and fun space for all students to dance and share their passion for this art form and sport! Our competition team takes your dancers' skills to the next level and allows them to gain friendships and valuable life lessons with multiple performance opportunities throughout the season. Many of our graduating dancers go on to study dance at a university, join other dance teams, become dance teachers themselves and more!

We will be holding a mandatory dancer and parent meeting on July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 6:00pm where we will go over the changes for the season, our contract, and open the end of the night to questions. All dancers will be required to be evaluated on July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024, for placements on a team that fit well with not only their age but their skill level.

If you have a *special circumstance* that does not allow for your child to be in attendance for the meeting or evaluation, we will be able to schedule a make-up. The cost to be evaluated for a team is a \$75 **non-refundable charge if placed on a team** that will include the 2024-25 recital and Christmas crew neck.

This season we are **THRILLED** to take our competition team to the next level and have adjusted some of our team requirements to do so! We believe with these changes we have hit a sweet spot of a truly competitive team with being able to still manage school and family life.

We have three main teams Pre-Competition, Competition & National Competition. Requirements to be on the competition team are different per team you are on due to the intensity each level requires.

**\*\*NEW THIS SEASON\*\*** opposite of our national's year we will be introducing a Christmas Spectacular Performance. This will be required for all competition team dancers and include a handful extras Friday/Saturday rehearsals and extra rehearsal fees. This will give our dancers more stage opportunities and genres including Tap!



## MONTHLY TUITION & CLASS REQUIREMENTS



Listed below are the monthly tuition rates which is paid monthly. It **does not include** any fees associated with costumes, competition registration fees, etc. Please see the last page for a full season estimate.

### PRE-COMPETITION TEAM

**PULSE:** (average ages 4-8 – must be 4 by January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025) Wednesday night practices only. this team practices once per week for 1 hour. Dancers are required to take Jazz and Ballet. This team will attend 2 small local competitions with no makeup or earring requirements. No Saturday practices.

**PULSE Monthly Tuition: \$50 includes everything listed above --**

**\*\* add recreational Beginner Acro for \$15 a month \*\***

**SPARK:** (average ages 6-11) 2 nights per week. No Saturdays. This teams requires to be in 2 groups that practice 30 minutes weekly per group, 1 weekly 45-minute technique class, and 1 weekly 45-minute acro/tumbling class. This team will attend 1-2 small competitions and 1 large competition.

**SPARK Monthly Tuition: \$100 includes everything listed above --**

**\*\* add more groups for \$5 per group monthly \*\***

### COMPETITION TEAM

**POWER:** (average ages 9-15) 2 nights per week plus Saturdays. This teams requires to be in 2 groups that practice 30-minutes weekly per group, 1 weekly 45-minute technique class, 1 weekly 45-minute ballet class and 1 weekly 45-minute acro/tumbling class. This team will attend 1 small local competition and 2 local big competitions.

**POWER Monthly Tuition: \$125 includes everything listed above --**

**\*\* add more groups for \$5 per group monthly \*\***

### NATIONAL COMPETITION TEAM

**FORCE or ELECTRIC:** (average ages 12-19) 2 nights per week & Saturday practices: This teams requires to be in 3 groups – 30 mins weekly per group, 1 weekly 45-minute technique class, 1 weekly 45-minute ballet class and 1 weekly 45-minute acro/tumbling class. This team will attend 1 small local competition, 3 local big competitions and 1 traveling nationals every other year (2024, 2026, 2028)

**FORCE or ELECTRIC Monthly Tuition: \$145 includes everything listed above – tuition and practice September – May (additional month of June when a nationals year)**

**\*\* add more groups for \$5 per group monthly \*\***

### HIP HOP ONLY TEAM

**Hip hop only team dancers:** practice once per week for 30 minutes plus a Saturday schedule. This is an option for Power, Force & Electric levels.

**Monthly Tuition: \$40 tuition and practice September – May/June**

**\*\* add acro/tumble for \$25 additional**

## SOLOS/DUETS/TRIOS – OPTIONAL ADD ON



Solos, Duet & Trios are given to competition dancers first in order of seniority/evaluation score and **are a yearlong commitment** with the requirement of competing the routines and purchasing a dance costume.

### WEEKLY PRACTICE RATES:

Solo - \$100/month  
Duet - \$60/month per dancer  
Trio - \$40/month per dancer

### BI -WEEKLY PRACTICE RATES:

Solo - \$55/month  
Duet - \$30/month per dancer  
Trio - \$20/month per dancer

## OTHER ITEMS PRICE ESTIMATE

All prices are an average and written out as a courtesy for our customers. All items on the list are subject to change and additional items may be added as needed.

- Monthly Tuition Cost (September – May //June (If on the national team).
- Class wear (all dancers are required to be in a leotard, tights, and ballet shoes for ballet classes. Dancers may add spandex shorts or a ballet skirt for ballet)
  - o Tights (if needed) – Average \$15
  - o Leotards (if needed) Average \$25
- Costumes – Average of \$75-80 per costume
- Dance shoes (we try to use the same shoes for 2-3 years)
  - o Lyrical/Modern – Average of \$20-\$30
  - o Hip-hop– Average of \$60
  - o Jazz– Average of \$40
  - o Ballet– Average of \$25
- Competition Earrings (we try to use the same for 2-3 years) – Average \$10
- Competition Make-Up (we try to use the same for 2-3 years) -- Average \$30
- Competition Warm Up Jacket (same jacket as last year. We will use for at least 3 years so you will only need to purchase once.)– Average \$100

## DANCE COMPETITION FEE PRICE ESTIMATES

Fees are an estimate per competition attended. Competition fees will be due mid-month, 2 months prior to the competition date to offset from tuition due on the first of the month. You will receive a full list of competitions/dates by October.

### BIG COMPETITIONS (Spark, Power, Force, Electric)

Groups - \$55 per group per dancer  
Duets/Trios - \$75 per dancer  
Solo - \$125 per dancer

*\*\*Nationals typically are \$25 more per dance\*\**

### SMALL COMPETITIONS (Pulse, Spark)

Groups - \$15 per group per dancer  
Duets/Trios - \$20 per dancer  
Solo - \$25 per dancer



