



2019-2020 SESSION INFORMATION

Session begins:

**Tuesday, September 3rd, 2019
and will end June 6th, 2020**

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Gallo Dance Studio

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

**A mandatory dress rehearsal is scheduled on Friday, June 5th, 2020
Our Annual Recital is scheduled on Saturday, June 6th, 2020**

OUR STUDIO WILL BE CLOSED:

**Monday, September 2nd - Labor Day
Thursday, October 31st - Halloween
Wednesday & Thursday, November 27th & 28th - Thanksgiving Break
December 20th - January 5th - Christmas Break
Monday, May 25th - Memorial Day**

We are so happy that you have chosen to dance with us at Gallo Dance Studio!
We take our instruction very seriously, but we focus on providing a fun environment
for our students to learn and love dance.

**Please make sure that you read over these documents and keep them for any
questions you may have about important dates and recital information!**

CLOSURES:

Gallo Dance Studio will be closed only during the scheduled holiday dates listed on page 1.
Our studio will be open during all other holidays during the school year.

OUR STUDIO IS OPEN DURING THE ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL SPRING BREAK!

In the event of inclement weather ONLY, Gallo Dance Studio will follow
St. Joseph School District #169 closings.

We will notify our dance families of weather related closures via email, facebook, and on WCIA.

STUDIO RULES:

Please help us keep our studio clean! **Please, NO food or drinks in the lobby.**

Dancers are allowed to bring snacks to eat in between their multiple classes - but are permitted to eat in
the dressing room only!

Dancers under the age of 7 must be supervised while in the Dressing Room!

ABSOLUTELY NO STANDING ON THE CUBBIES OR PLAYING IN THE CHANGING CURTAINS!

Our studio is not responsible for any lost or stolen items.

Please advise your dancer to leave all valuables at home.

Help us keep our dancers and their siblings safe by supervising them while in our studio at all times.

CLASS RULES:

Disruptive or disrespectful behavior will result in the dancer being asked to sit and observe the class.

Repeat offenders may be sent to the lobby or removed from the class.

No foul language or bullying will be tolerated! Cell phones are not permitted in class!

STREET SHOES ARE NOT ALLOWED INSIDE THE STUDIOS OR ON THE DANCE FLOORS!

WHEN ENTERING THE STUDIOS, STREET SHOES MUST REMOVED OR COVERED TO PROTECT OUR FLOORING

NO FOOD OR DRINK ALLOWED INSIDE THE STUDIO - only water is permitted.

****Please be sure to pick up your child on time if you need to leave our studio during your dancer's class. If you will be late, please call the studio to inform our office staff. For their safety, students must remain inside while waiting to be picked up. Small children must be supervised by a parent or guardian at all times inside and outside of the studio.**

CLASS SPECTATOR RULES:

We run classes similar to a school environment- with classes closed to spectators.

All dancers must be able to be without their parents for the duration of their class.

We have found that this policy eliminates distraction and provides the
best learning environment for all of our dancers.

We will have parent watch week every other month- specific dates to be announced.

During parent watch week, parents are encouraged to stay & view the entire class to see your child's
progress!

CLASS PLACEMENT:

It is our goal to place your dancer in the appropriate class(es) based on their ability level.

After our season begins, we will contact you if we feel that a class change is needed.

Your dancer will achieve a much greater learning experience if they are in the appropriate class.

ATTENDANCE:

Please make every effort to attend your class!

Once routines start, we progress quickly and it is not easy to learn missed material.

If a student has missed a considerable amount of lessons or practices - or if we feel that the student is not
prepared to perform or compete with their group - they will not be allowed to do so.

Please understand that your monthly fees need to be kept current

to reserve your child's place in their class.

TUITION:

Tuition is based on a session fee. There are nine monthly tuition payments that **must** be prepaid and are due the first lesson of each month. The nine equal monthly installments are for your convenience. The number of classes in any given month will vary.

Tuition will not be discounted/refunded for classes missed by students or for scheduled closings.

***30 minute group classes are \$45 per month**

***45 minute group classes are \$55 per month**

Class length and tuition for competitive teams vary.

Private solo/duo/trio lessons will be offered to our competitive dancers only.

Fees are discounted when a child is enrolled in more than one class,
or when enrolling more than one child in your immediate family.

2 classes = 10% off the second class

3+ classes = 20% off the third and remaining classes

****You are welcome to pay your session in full - but please note that we will
NOT offer a tuition discount to do so****

OVERDUE PAYMENT POLICIES:

**A \$20 LATE FEE WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE ASSESSED TO THE STUDENT'S ACCOUNT IF TUITION IS
NOT PAID BY THE SECOND CLASS OF EACH MONTH.**

ALL MONTHLY FEES - INCLUDING THE ASSESSED LATE FEE - MUST BE PAID IN FULL BY THE END OF THE CURRENT
MONTH BEFORE THE STUDENT IS ALLOWED TO CONTINUE CLASSES THE FOLLOWING MONTH.

A \$30 FEE WILL BE ASSESSED FOR ALL CHECKS RETURNED FOR NSF.

ALL FEES MUST BE UP-TO-DATE BEFORE RECEIVING COSTUMES, STUDIO PHOTOS, APPAREL, ETC.

*ACCOUNTS MUST BE PAID IN FULL (including monthly tuition, late fees, bank charges, outstanding
costume fees, etc.) BEFORE THE STUDENT OR FAMILY MEMBER IS ABLE TO PURCHASE RECITAL TICKETS,
PARTICIPATE IN THE ANNUAL RECITAL, OR OTHER PERFORMANCES/COMPETITIONS.

DRESS CODE:

Many of our young dancers wear leotards or leos with attached skirts and tights.
Yoga or dance pants, spandex leggings or capris, tights, cheer or dance shorts - with leotards or
comfortable tops can be worn by all of our dancers - with the exception of our ballet students.
Ballet students must wear ballet leotards and tights.

Please make sure that they are in clothing that will allow them to move freely without restriction.

**HAIR MUST BE SECURED AWAY FROM THE FACE WITH A PONYTAIL, OR CLIPPED BACK FOR SHORTER HAIR. THIS
IS TO MINIMIZE DISTRACTIONS DURING DANCE CLASS.**

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR DANCER HAS THE PROPER ATTIRE AND SHOES
FOR THEIR CLASS!**

***NO JEANS OR LOOSE FITTING DRESSES!**

***NO CROP TOPS/BRA TOPS OR REVEALING CLOTHING!**

***NO BARE STOMACHS ALLOWED!**

***NO JEWELRY ALLOWED - ONLY STUD EARRINGS!**

***NO STREET SHOES ALLOWED IN CLASS!**

SHOES:

Please make sure that your dancer has the appropriate shoes by the third week of class.

Shoes may be ordered through our studio office.

Please have your dancer wear clean tennis shoes until they receive their dance shoes.

ONLY DANCE SHOES MAY BE WORN ON STUDIO FLOORS!

**PLEASE LABEL SHOES AND ALL OTHER DANCE ITEMS WITH YOUR DANCER'S NAME
SO THAT LOST ITEMS MAY BE RETURNED.**

*Appropriate shoes vary by class, and are available for purchase through the studio.

You may purchase your own shoes, but please be sure they follow class requirements:

TINY TOT CLASS (Ballet/Tumble): Pink ballet shoes required

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JAZZ, POM DANCE, AND BATON/JAZZ: Tan jazz shoes required

TAP: Black tap shoes required

ACRO, CONTEMPORARY, AND LYRICAL: Lyrical or Half-Sole shoes required

HIP HOP: Clean tennis shoes or prior dance shoes allowed.

All hip hop classes will order shoes to match their costumes. Their coordinating performance shoes will be included in their costume fee.

Baton twirlers will be measured for their baton during their first class.

COSTUMES:

Costumes will be fitted and ordered for each student - for each of their routines - and will be between \$50-\$100 each. Tights (if needed) and Hip Hop shoes (if needed) will also be listed separately on your costume notice.

Please note that costumes for our competitive dancers most likely will exceed these amounts.

You will receive your costume notice by October 3rd, and the costume fee will need to be paid in full by November 7th.

Competitive costume deposits of \$50 per costume will be due by October 7th, and will need to be paid in full by November 11th.

Costumes will not be ordered until they are paid for!

Please note that costumes are ordered by a company sizing chart, and are not "custom" fit.

Please be prepared to make slight adjustments as needed.

We will provide seamstress names and contact information upon request.

**PLEASE FEEL FREE TO EMAIL OR CALL US WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS.
WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO ANOTHER GREAT SEASON!!**

THANK YOU!

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