

Academy of Dance Arts

S. T. E. P.

Student Teacher Education Program

Academy of Dance Arts is proud to offer a Student Teacher Education Program, S.T.E.P. Enrollment in S.T.E.P. will provide mentoring and guidance to students who have an interest in becoming dance teachers. Students will be assigned a class based on their age, and level of experience and work side by side with the teacher.

Whatever a student's future career goals, students will leave the program having learned many important life lessons, such as respect on many levels, responsibility and accountability, both to others and to one's self, discipline, professionalism and more.

The three steps in S.T.E.P.

DEMONSTRATORS

A class demonstrator must be at least 10 years old. A class demonstrator will assist the teacher by demonstrating along with the teacher throughout the class.

STUDENT TEACHERS

Student teachers must be at least 12 years old. Student teachers often will lead the warm ups. The teacher may assign the student teacher one student or a group of students to help them learn new material. Student teachers assist the teacher in all aspects of the class. Student teachers may also be asked to help out at shows and at the recital.

TEACHER ASSISTANT (TA)

Teacher assistants must be in high school. The goal of the TA is to acquire the skills needed to becoming a dance teacher. Teacher assistants will have the opportunity of teaching the class they are assisting in should the instructor be absent. They will also help at the recital rehearsals and the recital.

GUIDELINES

- Must wear the proper dance apparel (see dress code below).
- Hair must be worn in a bun or pony tail. Neatly. No last minute throw hair in pony tail look.
- Leave your cell phone and all other electronic devices in the office.
- Arrive 5 to 10 minutes before your class. Preferable 10 minutes before.
- Only positive attitudes permitted in the studio. Leave all your other "stuff" outside the studio.
- You must always demonstrate proper technique.
- If you can't attend a class you must text or email your instructor and Donna. Both not just one.

DRESS CODE

- Proper shoes for the class you are assisting in.
- Black Capri length leggings. No shorts. No full length pants.
- Studio top with the ADA Staff logo on the front. Order on line, the link is on the website
- No bra straps showing.

Demonstrators, Student Teachers, and Teacher Assistants must commit to the entire dance season. They are role models for the class they are assisting in and for the studio. Because of their role at the studio they must always have a positive attitude. They must always be courteous, respectful and helpful to the teachers, the students and the parents.

If you feel this is a program for you fill out the application and return to the studio.

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Student Teacher Education Program Application

To be filled out by the student applying, not the parent.

Student's Name _____	Birth date / age _____
Academic School _____	Grade in School _____
Student's Cell Phone _____	Student's email _____
Parent's Cell Phone _____	Parent's email _____

What style dance are you interested to work in. Check one or more boxes

3-5 year old combination classes Tap Jazz Ballet Lyrical Contemporart Stage Tricks

If there is a specific class or teacher you'd like to work with please list here _____

List which days of the week you would prefer _____

Participaion in S.T.E.P. is a committed for the dance season. Please list the dates of any conflicts you foresee

On a separate piece of paper please write a paragraph that states:

1. Why you want to be a member of S.T.E.P.
2. What you believe you can offer the students you would be helping
3. What are your personal goals as a member of S.T.E.P.

Attach your paragraph to your application and submit to the studio.

Applicants under the age of 18 must have a parent sign.

Parent's Name (please print) _____

Parent's Signature _____

Parent signature indicates they understnd the guidlins of S.T.E.P., have reviewed the application and agree to the applicant's choices.