***L’ Academie de Danse***

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The academy was established in 1982.  The academy’s objectives are to train each student to his/her potential and develop an appreciation for the art of dance.  
  
Nora Parker, artistic director, has a Bachelor Of Fine Arts degree in dance from East Carolina University with additional credit from North Carolina School of The Arts, and Western Kentucky University.  She graduated with top honors from Dance Educators of America Training School and has been a member of Dance Educators of America since 1978.  L’Academie De Danse is an Acrobatics Arts Certified Studio.  Nora has been teaching dance since 1975.

**2020-2021 GENERAL PROGRAM**

**PRE-DANCE:** A forty-five minute or one-hour class of ballet or tap for students of approximate ages 3.5 through 9 years old. This class develops attention span, participation, self-discipline and good conduct in class.  Body-consciousness is developed through movement and exercises that emphasize good body alignment. Students learn to respond to music and rhythmic patterns.

**PRE-JAZZ:** Introduction to jazz for the pre-dance student (See Pre-Dance)

            Ages: 7-9 years.  
  
**TECHNIQUE:** Ballet - Tap – Jazz – Pointe – Pilates – Musical Theatre – Modern  
 **Basic** : *For students without any technique training.* **Advanced Beginner**: *For students who have mastered the basic*

*technique*  **Intermediate:** *For the more serious students who have mastered*

*the advanced beginner technique, usually 3-4 classes per week.*

**Advanced**: *For the serious students, who have mastered the intermediate technique, usually taking 3-5 classes per week.*

* *Pointe students- must take (2 classes) - 1 hour and a half classes of ballet technique in order to take a pointe class. This is to help prevent injuries. See Nora.*

**ACROBATICS:** For students interested in performing acrobatic skills. Students are supervised on an individual basis. Acrobatics can be incorporated into dance. Dance should be studied if the student desires to perform acrobatic routines.  Once again, L’Academie de Danse is an Acrobatic Arts Certified Studio.  For more information, visit www.acrobaticarts.com.

**DRESS ATTIRE**

**PRE-DANCE:** Students are required to wear black leotards, tap tan shoes (brand “Bloch”) and pink; ballet shoes (brand “Bloch”) ; with Ballet pink European pink tights. If needed, wear long hair in a bun.

**TECHNIQUE:** Attire is listed as follows:

Ballet: Required to wear black, navy, hunter green (dark colors) leotard, pink tights, dance shorts, and pink ballet shoes. (The last week in each month students may wear ballet skirts)  
NOTE: 2 classes of 1-1/2 ballet technique class must be taken along with a pointe class. See Nora Regarding attendance policy for pointe class(es).

Tap: Required to wear leotard, dance shorts and tights, (see Nora for tap shoes)  
Jazz: Required to wear leotard, dance shorts, tights, and jazz oxfords. (Students must bring a beach towel to use for floor stretching).

Musical Theatre: Required to wear leotard, dance shorts, tights, and jazz oxfords

Hip Hop:  Required to wear leotard, leggings, hip hop shoes

Modern: Required to wear leotard, dance shorts, and tights or unitards (half sole shoes) bare feet.

Acrobatics: Required to wear leotard, dance shorts, tights without feet, ballet or acrobatic shoes.   
Adults: Required to wear any attire that is comfortable to move in.

**See Nora for a fitting for all dance shoes and dancewear.**

.          \* Masks are required until further notice.  
             \*Hair must be secured for all classes. Hair must be in a bun for all Ballet

and Pointe Classes. (**Please come in with hair secured and “ready” when class  starts; if not you will be asked to sit on the side!!!)**

\*No bobby pins to Secure Hair!  Make sure the rubber bands secure the hair!

\*Bring your own water bottle for classes.

**SANITIZATION OF STUDIO**

The following procedures will be done each day and class to help with sanitization of the studio.  These are subject to change as recommendations are adjusted via CDC and the state/national recommendations.

Each of the following items the students will need to have and bring each class.

* Hand sanitizer to keep in their dance bag to use between classes and during class as needed.
* Yoga thick foam mat.
* Intermediate, Advanced, and Acro classes: ***mini*** exercise ball and brick (acro students only need the brick)

**Cleaning of the studio**:  between each class the following items will be cleaned:

* ballet barres
* door knobs
* lightswitches
* bathroom fixtures

At the end of the day, the floor will be sanitized.

**Entering the studio:  Masks are required.** Students will come in the studio via the front door, where their temperature will be taken.  Once they are cleared to enter the studio, they will remove their shoes and place them in their dance bag and place the bag on the dance floor per the instructor’s directions (beginning at the front of the studio between the numbers at the mirror, and then moving to the back of the studio under the barres).  All of the students' items will remain in the bags until they are ready to be used and asked by the instructor to get.  The bags and dancers will be spaced the recommendation of 6 feet apart during class.

**HOLIDAYS**

Classes will not be held on the following days:

Labor Day: Sept. 7

Thanksgiving: November 23 - November 30

Christmas: December 14 – January 1st

Easter:  April 2 - April 9

Memorial Day – May  31st (tentative)

No make-up classes given for holidays or weather. If bad weather would occur, please check your emails and look for a Remind text for canceling of classes. If you want to make-up a class, contact Nora to schedule a time to come to another class. If class is missed by the instructor due to sickness or emergency a substitute may be provided.

**TUITION PAYMENT POLICY**

Tuition is based on 10 payments with the first payment due in August, and ending in May, and is a set rate.   All returning dancers must pay the 10 months, regardless of when you begin.  A late fee of $10.00 each month will be added to any past due accounts, and is cumulative. There are no deductions for vacations, snow days, or short months. There is no extra charge for months with five (5) class weeks. Classes will be discontinued if tuition is behind more than one month.  If you are a new dancer and join the studio after August, you will make a payment for what month your dancer joins in, and half of the fee. **If you withdraw from the studio entirely, you will owe for one additional month from your withdrawal date.**

**Please note:  if you are a returning student from the previous year, and do not begin classes in August, then you will be required to pay for 10 payments, regardless of when you start.**

Please do the following if you are going to pay via Zelle: <https://www.zellepay.com/>:

1.  You have the option to add a memo when you submit your payment; please put your dancer's name on this so that we can apply the payment towards your account.  If will allow you too, please also put what you are paying for.

2.  Follow up with an email to Miss Nora (lacademiededanse@gmail.com) to let us know that you have done this.

3.  If you have any questions about the app or the online feature, please visit the website listed below or see your bank for assistance. We will not be able to help you with this until we get used to it too!

Once we receive notification of your payment, we will email you and let you know that we have received your payment notification. If you do not receive an email from us within the week you made your payment, please come in and see us!

**FEES**

**(Fees subject to change.)**

Registration Fee per family--  $35.00

 1--   45 min. class/week -$55.00  / 2-45 min. classes/week- add $35.00/ 3 or more 45 min. classes /week- add $30.00 (This is only for the 5 to 6 year old classes for ballet and tap.)

1 hr. class / week - $60.00 / 2-1 hr. classes /week- add $35.00 / 3-1-hr. classes/week add $30.00

1.5 hr. class / week $70.00/ 2-1.5 hr. classes/ week-add $35.00 / 3-1.5 hr. classes/ week add $30.00

\*\*For extra routines rehearsal time rate will be $10 for 4 hours.

\*\*Private lesson is $50 per hour for a student who is enrolled in L’Academie de Danse.

\*\*Private lesson is $65 per hour for a student who is not enrolled in L’Academie de Danse.

You may pay the entire amount of the tuition, 1/2 of the amount, 1/4 of the amount, or make 10 payments. Above are the single rates; the rates if you wish to make 10 payments..  Please note the longest class will be charged first, then $35 for the second, and $30 for each additional.

**COSTUME/RECITAL INFORMATION**

**Costumes Fees**: Costumes for the recital will be ordered in December.  **Partial payments will be due by September 10th, October 10th and the balance is due November 10th.** Partial payment will be $20 for each routine your child(ren) will be performing during the recital.  **After the November 10th deadline, there will be a late fee of $20 per costume(s) until December 10th, after which costume will not be ordered  (Only if the company has it in stock).** If student(s) drop out of dance after costume(s) have been ordered, costume(s) will become property of the studio.

Costumes will be used that were purchased for the 2019-20 dance year.  If you are a new dancer, then costumes will be ordered for your dancer or made.  If you were registered in the studio last year, costumes have already been purchased, but may need to be adjusted.  This will be handled as the time comes.  
  
**Recital Fee**: TBA (**Approx**. $120.00 per student).To help with the cost of the recital fee, a partial payment $10 per month (per student) is due until May10th.  This will total $100 for the ten months of dance.  We will adjust any overpayments and underpayments closer to recital.  Tentative Recital June 7th, 2020

**All fees are** **NON-REFUNDABLE.**

**IMPORTANT:**  **Please put STUDENT’S NAME AND ITEMIZE WHAT YOU ARE PAYING FOR EITHER ON THE CHECK, OR ON A SEALED ENVELOPE FOR CASH, and place in the clear pocket in the pink curio.**

Returned Check fee………$35.00.  The studio can no longer hold checks.

**GENERAL NOTES**

Office Hours:

Tuesday: 6:00 - 9:00 Karyl

Thursday: 6:00 - 8:30 Karyl

                                                        Wednesday: 3:30-5:30 Carrie

\*Classes will begin on Monday, August 26, 2019! All returning students will be charged tuition starting in August.

\*Be punctual and attend classes regularly. If you cannot attend class(es), please call, email or text. Attendance Policy – 75% (per class) of the classes must be met in order to participate in the spring show = 9 absentees per class (4 Sept – Dec) (5 Jan – May)

**\***No gum, candy, or drinks allowed in the studio. Please bring your own water bottle.

\*No body powders or lotions allowed.

\*Students should not wear jewelry during class.

\*No Smoking is allowed in the building

\*Due to space and social distancing requirements, parents and students not in class will **NOT** be allowed in the studio.

\*IF you decide to drop a class during the month, or if you desire to quit, please put in writing & send to the office for a signature from Nora. You will continue to be charged until a signature is obtained.

\*If your address, phone numbers, email, etc. change at any time, please inform the office staff or Nora in writing.

\*L’Academie de Danse is not responsible for injuries or lost/stolen items.

\*L’Academie de Danse is not responsible for illnesses contracted (cold, flu, COVID, etc.).

\*Inform instructor of any medical notes; Asthma, Allergies, Bladder, Kidney, ADD, ADHD, etc.

\*READ!!!! All posted notices on doors inside and outside of studio.

**Communication:**

We communicate with parents via email a lot; please make sure you check your email for updates.  The studio’s email address is [lacademiededanse@gmail.com](mailto:lacademiededanse@gmail.com), if you want to make sure that you have it so that your email does not go into spam.  We also use Remind (it is a text messaging service).  You text the following message @dance20141 to the following number 81010.  It will ask you for your name, and then you will be signed up.  Please try not to reply to the texts, as we only use it to send you quick information. The studio also has a Facebook page and an Instagram account.  Please search for L’Academie de Danse to join these social media services.  Of course you can call and text Miss Nora at 252-521-3399.

Cliff Notes/Quick Reference:

* Classes begin on Monday, August \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Fees are due by the 10th of each month.
  + **See Miss Nora, Mrs. Karyl, or Mrs. Carrie for your total**.
  + Your payment is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Late fee is $10 per month and is cumulative.
* Costume deposits begin in September and October with balance due in November.
  + $20/routine/dancer
* Recital fee deposits begin in August and paid in full by May 10th
  + recommend $10/payment
  + Tentative Recital Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* If you withdraw from the studio - owe one additional payment.
* Owe for each payment until officially withdraw from studio.
* Check emails often for communication from the studio.
  + Remind service will be for quick texts - do not reply to Remind.
* Come to class on time, prepared to dance.

***2019-2020 Class Schedule  (Schedule is subject to change.)***

*Monday Tuesday*

*3:30-4:30 - Pre-Ballet/Tap 3:30-4:30 - Acrobatics Arts*

*3.5/4yrs.*

*4:30-6:00 - Intermediate 4:30-5:30 - Musical Theatre*

*Ballet*

*6:00-7:15 - Pre- Ballet/Acro/Tap     5:30-6:30 - Advanced Tap*

*7:15-8:15 - Acrobatics Arts                 6:30-8:00 - Advanced Ballet*

*8:15-9:15 - Modern/Contemporary 8:00-9:00 - Pointe*

*Wednesday Thursday*

*3:30-4:30 - Ballet 1 3:30-4:45 - Pre-Ballet/Acro/Tap*

*4:30-5:30 - Tap 1    4:45-5:45 -  Intermediate Tap*

*5:30-6:30 - Acrobatic Arts*

*5:45-7:15 - Advanced Ballet*

*6:30-7:30 - Hip Hop*

*7:15-8:45 - Advanced Jazz*

*7:30-8:30 - Jazz*

*Saturday*

*9:30-10:30 - 3.5- 4 yrs.*

*Pre-Ballet/tap*