



The Dance Design School
Teaching the heart of dance & music

At Dance Design School, Our Teachers:

- ★ Use a variety of teaching styles, to accommodate a variety of learning styles
- ★ ‘Teach through encouragement’, helping your child to want to learn
- ★ Utilize imagery and games in every exercise, insuring your child has fun
- ★ Have teacher training, your child will be taught with a long term goal in mind

At Dance Design School, Your Child Will Gain:

- ★ Lasting friendships
- ★ Supportive environment for growth
- ★ Physical exercise through dance and the arts
- ★ Skills to achieve goals
- ★ College resume building experiences



In Addition To Class/Lessons, Your Child Will Receive:

- ★ The opportunity to participate in one/two performances per school year
- ★ 2 free tickets to our year end performance
- ★ 1 free DVD of your dancer’s performance
- ★ Dance costume rentals (for ages 6 and up), saving you hundreds in costume costs
- ★ Free dance costume rental alterations; you will never have to sew a costume



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Proven teaching that allows kids to have FUN and IMPROVE!



* Each class registered for will receive 33 classes during the year. The week of show rehearsals count as 1 class.
 * Each music lesson registered for will receive 34 classes during the school year. The bi-annual show rehearsals each count as 1 class.

2012-2013

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September	October	November
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December	January	February
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March	April	May
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June	July	August
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23 24 25 26 27 28 29	21 22 23 24 25 26 27	18 19 20 21 22 23 24
30	28 29 30 31 Summer Program	25 26 27 28 29 30 31

- ## Schedule of Events, Holidays And Shows
- ★ Monday September 10 - 1st Day of Class
 - ★ Monday September 17 - No Class Rosh Hashanah
 - ★ Saturday September 22 - No Class Cornwall Sidewalk Sale (Rain date September 29)
 - ★ Tuesday September 25 to Wednesday September 26 - No Class Yom Kippur
 - ★ Saturday September 29 - Junior HVDT Sign Ups 3pm-4pm (parent must attend)
 - ★ Monday October 8 - No Class Columbus Day
 - ★ Wednesday October 31 - No Class Halloween
 - ★ Monday November 12 - Classes Held Veteran's Day
 - ★ Tuesday November 20 to Sunday November 25 - No Classes Thanksgiving
 - ★ Friday December 14 - Tentative Nutcracker Rehearsal
 - ★ Saturday December 15 and Sunday December 16 - Tentative Nutcracker Shows
 - ★ Wednesday December 19 to Tuesday January 1 - No Classes Winter Break
 - ★ Monday January 21 - No Class Martin L. King Day
 - ★ Thursday February 14 to Tuesday February 19 - No Classes President's Week
 - ★ Sunday March 10 - Tentative RAD Practice Exam Day (dependant on pianist & exam)
 - ★ Monday March 25 to Sunday March 31 - No Classes Spring Break
 - ★ Thursday May 23 to Wednesday May 29 - No Classes Memorial Week (Keep this week free for snow day make-ups)
 - ★ Friday June 7 - No Class (All 32 classes held, keep this day free for snow day make-ups)
 - ★ Sunday June 9 - Tentative Photos at Studio
 - ★ Tuesday June 11 to Friday June 14 - Tentative Walkthrough/Dress Rehearsal
 - ★ Saturday June 15 - Tentative Show Day! (Show & rehearsal days are at the approval of the host school; we have no control over show dates)
 - ★ Monday July 1 to Friday July 26 - Tentative Summer Program dates
 - ★ Monday August 12 to Tuesday August 27 - Tentative HVDT Classes

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Dance Design School Group Class Schedule



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Studio A Studio B Studio C 10 - 10:30 Parent & ME! Monday Age 2/3 4:00 - 4:55 Ballet Grade 1 RAD Age 8 4:00 - 4:55 Ballet Grade 3 RAD Age 10 4:15 - 4:55 Music Adventures Ages 4-5 5:00 - 5:55 Jazz 5/6 5:00 - 5:55 Ballet Grade 4 RAD (take 2 classes) 6:15 - 7:10 Ballet Grade 5 RAD (take 2 classes) 7:15 - 8:30 Ballet Intermediate RAD No Show M.H.P.	Studio A Studio B Studio C 10-10:40 Creative Movement Age 4 4:00 - 4:55 Ballet Grade 1 RAD Age 8 4:00 - 4:55 Ballet Intermediate (Barre) Non Syllabus No Show M.H.P. 4:30 - 5:10 Dance Kindergarten Tuesday (Butterhill Pick Up Available) Age 5 5:15 - 5:55 Angelina Ballerina Academy Age 4-6 6:00 - 6:55 Acting For Kids Age 8+ 7:00 - 7:45 Pointe Pirouettes No Show M.H.P.	Studio A Studio B Studio C 3:00 - 3:40 Dance Creative Movement (Butterhill Pick Up Available) Age 4 4:00 - 4:55 Ballet Grade 6 RAD 4:00 - 4:55 Ballet Non Syllabus 5:00 - 5:55 Ballet Advanced (Barre) Non Syllabus No Show 6:00 - 6:55 Ballet Advanced (Center) Non Syllabus M.H.P. 7:00 - 7:45 Pointe Variation M.H.P. 4:15 - 4:55 Music Adventures Ages 4-5 4:30 - 5:10 Ballet Primary RAD (Butterhill Pick Up Available) Age 7 5:15 - 6:10 Hip-Hop 3/4 (5th/6th) 6:15 - 7:10 Boys Hip-Hop ages 7-12 (2nd-7th) 7:15 - 8:10 Hip-Hop Advanced (7th-12th)	Studio A Studio B Studio C 3:15 - 4:25 Ballet Advanced 1 RAD No Show M.H.P. 4:15 - 4:55 Dance Kindergarten Thursday Age 5 4:30 - 5:10 Ballet Pre-Primary RAD (Butterhill Pick Up Available) Age 6 1st Grade 5:30 - 6:25 Ballet Grade 2 RAD Age 9 6:30 - 7:25 Ballet Grade 4 RAD (take 2 classes) 7:30 - 8:25 Ballet Advanced Foundation RAD M.H.P. 4:15 - 4:55 Music Adventures Ages 4-5 4:30 - 5:25 Ballet Primary RAD (Butterhill Pick Up Available) Age 7 5:45 - 6:25 Music Song & Dance Thursday Age 7	Studio A Studio B Studio C 3:00 - 3:40 Dance Creative Movement (Butterhill Pick Up Available) Age 4 4:00 - 4:55 Jazz/Tap Beginner Age 6/7 5:00 - 5:55 Jazz & Tap 1/2 6:00 - 6:55 Jazz 3/4 9:00 - 9:40 Dance Creative Movement Age 4 10:00-10:55 Ballet Grade 1 RAD Age 8 11:00-11:55 Ballet Grade 2 RAD Age 9 12:30 - 1:25 Pointe Advanced 1 RAD M.H.P. 1:30 - 2:25 Pointe Advanced 2 RAD M.H.P.	Studio A Studio B Studio C 9:15 - 9:55 Dance Kindergarten Saturday Age 5 10 - 10:40 Angelina Ballerina Academy Age 4-6 10:45 - 11:25 Ballet Pre-Primary Saturday Age 6/1st Grade 12 - 12:40 Music Song & Dance Saturday Age 4-7 Parent & ME! 1:00-1:30 Age 2/3 11 - 11:40 Music Adventures Ages 4-5 11:00 - 12:10 Modern Advanced 12:15 - 1:10 Modern 4/5 1:15 - 2:10 Modern 2/3

Return Registration Form ASAP to Ensure Class of Your Choice

- *Creative Movement / KinderDance / Pre-Primary / Primary should take ballet once a week.
 - *Ballet Grades 1/2 should take Ballet twice a week.
 - *Ballet Grades 3/4/5 should take Ballet three/four times a week.
 - *Ballet Grades 1-8 will learn Character (folk) in class.
- PLEASE NOTE: This Schedule Subject To Change at Any Time Due To Available Studio Space and Enrollment**

R.A.D. = Royal Academy of Dance

- M.H.P. = *Must Have Permission* Classes are by invitation only. Please call the office if your child is interested in one of these classes. 534-9671
- *Some Upper Level Ballet's will not dance a number in the year end show, check the above schedule for 'No Show' classes.

STAFF

- ★ Helen McLennan
- ★ Annie Ceron
- ★ Nicole Hurley
- ★ Emily Flay
- ★ Yessie Whitfield
- ★ Christina Salgado
- ★ Aggie Kimple
- ★ James Cahill
- ★ Tim Haufe
- ★ Sharon Zettlemoyer
- ★ Hayley Grishaber

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Dance Policy Statement

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★ If you choose the Payment Plan, payments are due on the first (1st) of each of the 10 school months. Payments must be made with debit or credit card. A 4% late charge will be added to the unpaid balance for payments made after the 1st of the month. All accounts in arrears of 2 months or more will be subject to 10% interest charges, and students will not be allowed to attend class until the balance is paid. All bills that are sent to collection will have an added 33% to pay for collection charges.

★ Withdrawal Of Classes: If a student wishes to withdraw from the program, notice must be given prior to the next billing cycle. Students/parents are responsible for tuition incurred until the end of payment cycle in which we receive a withdrawal form (available at the main office). After filling out our withdrawal form, charges will stop for the following month. No partial payments will be accepted. No refunds will be given for missed classes/lessons. Re-registering students in the same school year must pay the \$40 registration fee in order to start classes again.

★ In case of the cancellation of classes due to bad weather, the Dance Design School will make every effort to provide the 33 classes upon which the tuition schedule is based. The Dance Design School, however, is not obliged to make up all or part of classes canceled due to bad weather. Students are encouraged to make up in comparable or lower level classes whenever possible. For class cancellations due to weather, check the web site, dancedesignschool.com or call the studio 534-9671.

★ If your child misses a class due to illness or school/family obligations, you may schedule a make up class in any class of a similar level. Please call the office to ensure the class is not full. There will be no individual make ups after May 1st.

Registration Fee: \$40 First Child
\$10 Each Additional Child

TUITION

Classes Per Week	Pay In Full Yearly Tuition (33 Classes)	Monthly Payment Plan (10 Payments)
30 Minutes	\$390	\$41
40 Minutes	\$618	\$65
1st Hour	\$656	\$69
2nd Class	\$599	add \$63
3rd Class	\$551	add \$58
Every Additional Class		add \$58 each
Angelina Ballerina Dance Academy	\$751	\$79 (no multi-class discount available)

Class fees are based per family. If you have more than one dancer in your immediate family, please total all the classes taken between all the children for your monthly tuition fee.

Included With Tuition

- ★ 2 Free Year End Show Tickets (or 1 All Day Ticket)
- ★ 1 Free DVD of the Year End Dance Show (dancers age 4 and up)
- ★ All Costume Rental Alterations, Repairs and Cleaning



Additional Costs

★ Year End Show: Costume rental \$35 + tax per costume per class ages 6 and up, for average size child. Billed on March 1, 2013. "Keepsake Costume" for 4 year old & 5 year old - \$70 + tax. Additional show tickets \$16.00 each; \$18.00 at the door.

★ Class Attire: Available from The Dance Bag, Beacon 831-5813 or Ms. Dancewear, Mohegan Lake 914-526-8380

★ Character/Chiffon Skirts: Grade 1 ballet and up from the studio, \$45.00 and up.

★ R.A.D. Exam: Entrance fees and coaching lessons - optional for students

★ H.V.D.T. Membership: Dues, tickets, costumes, shoes - optional for students

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5 Ways To Get The Most Out Of Your Music & Voice Lessons

1. How Young Is Too Young - Starting At The Right Age

When adults begin instrument lessons there are no concerns about focus or determination, but for children, starting at the right age is key to their successful learning. “The Sooner The Better” theory often backfires and can have a negative effect on the child. Children may become overwhelmed, frustrated and stop wanting to come for lessons. Starting at the right age will help ensure enjoyment, focus and a positive experience. The following are guidelines that will help you determine the optimal age for your child to start taking music lessons.

- Piano/Keyboard - We recommend beginning no earlier than age 5. Each child has a different focus and retention of material at this age, so speak with one of our teachers to help determine if your child is ready. Before the age of 5, we offer a Music Adventures class which will teach the basics of piano in a fun group environment. Whenever your child decides to begin lessons, he/she will find the piano a fun and rewarding instrument.
- Guitar (Acoustic or Electric) - 8 years old is a good age to start guitar lessons, however it is never too late to begin this instrument. Playing the guitar takes strength in the fingertips in order to press the guitar strings hard enough to produce correct sound. Before the age of 8 children have small hands and may find playing the guitar uncomfortable or frustrating.
- Voice - 11 is the age voice experts suggest to begin vocal coaching. Due to the physical nature of voice lessons (proper breathing techniques, development of the vocal chords and lung capacity), young children are not ready for the rigors of vocal training. Before the age of 11, we offer a Song & Dance class that teaches children how to use their voices properly in a fun, relaxed environment.

2. Group Classes vs. Private Lessons

When signing up for music or voice lessons, choosing the correct class format can make the difference between success and failure. Group classes work well for chorus singing, music theory, band or orchestra. Working as a group is a unique musical skill that can only be taught in a group class setting. However, when learning a specific instrument or teaching voice, private lessons allow for the greatest success in the quickest time.

3. Class Location

Children learn music best when the learning location is free of distractions. In a music school environment a student cannot be distracted by television, pets, ringing phones, siblings or the rhythms of home life. A half hour of lesson time per week at a professional music school location can produce better results than an ‘at home lesson’, since the only focus during lesson time is learning music.

4. Make Practicing Easier

As with anything, practice makes perfect. Difficulties between parents and music students can arise when there is not a system set up at home for practicing. Here are some ways to make practicing fun and stress free:

- Time - Set the same time everyday to practice, so it becomes part of your child’s daily routine.
- Repetition - For children 20-30 minutes can seem like eternity. Instead of setting a time frame, try asking your child to repeat their music piece 4 times or their scales 5 times. To a child, this gives a more manageable practice goal.
- Rewards - To make practice fun for your child, you may find encouragement, such as praise, stickers or small rewards like hot chocolate or a hug, can go a long way.

5. Use Recognized Teaching Materials With a Trained Professional

Our University trained teachers use excellent teaching books to help you or your child learn with the best possible results. Our teachers will guide you to a music book that will be appropriate for your level and learning style. For example, a 5 year old beginner piano student would learn differently than a beginner adult or experienced teenager. A teenage vocal student will enjoy different music styles than an adult. These books ensure that no important part of learning is inadvertently left out. Our library has been researched and is continually upgraded to make learning easier.

Have Fun! Giving the gift of music will last a lifetime. Remember the important part of music lessons is to enjoy the journey. Teaching the *heart* of music. www.dancedesignschool.com

Music & Voice Policy Statement



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★ Withdrawal: If a student wishes to withdraw from the program notice must be given 30 days prior to stopping lessons and a Withdrawal Form (available at the main office) must be filled out. No partial payments will be accepted. No refunds will be given for missed classes/lessons. Re-registering students in the same school year must pay the \$40 registration fee in order to start classes again.

★ In case of the cancellation of classes due to bad weather, the Dance Design School will make every effort to provide the 33 classes upon which the tuition schedule is based. The Dance Design School, however, is not obliged to make up all or part of classes canceled due to bad weather. For class cancellations due to weather, check the web site, dancedesignschool.com or call the studio 534-9671.

★ Students who miss a lesson due to illness are eligible for a make-up lesson. In order to secure a make-up lesson time slot, the parent must call 24 hours in advance to cancel the lesson and get on the make-up list. Make-up lessons will not be at the same time or day as the scheduled lesson. Make up lesson calls will be made when an ill student cancels a lesson, usually 24 hours in advance. A maximum 3 make lessons are allowed per school year. Dance Design School is not required to hold make-up lessons, however, every attempt to schedule a make-up lesson will be made. The full monthly payment is required even if a lesson is missed.

Registration Fee: \$40 First Child \$10 Each Additional Child		
TUITION		
Classes Per Week	Pay In Full (34 Lessons)	Monthly (10 Payments)
1/2 Hour Private Lesson	\$998	\$105
45 Minute Private Lesson	\$1492	\$157
1 Hour Private Lesson	\$1986	\$209
40 Minute Group Lesson Song & Dance Music Adventures	\$751	\$79
Music & voice tuition may be paid with a dance invoice, but there are no multi lesson discounts for music or voice lessons.		



Additional Costs

- ★ Instrument Purchases - Alto Music, Middletown 692-6922
- Full Keyboard Purchases - YPG535 (Yamaha unweighted keys) approx. \$490
- P95 (Yamaha weighted keys) approx. \$550
- Guitar Purchases - approx. \$99-\$200 Beginner package (includes guitar and accessories)
- ★ Instrument Rentals - Through Dance Design School \$12 per month
- ★ Sheet Music - approx. \$5-\$15 per song, www.musicnotes.com
- ★ Music Books - approx. \$5-\$30 per book, www.amazon.com
- ★ Recital Tickets - 2 free each show, Additional tickets \$10 in advance





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STUDENT NAME _____ AGE _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ PARENTS FIRST NAMES _____

BILLING ADDRESS: _____ NEW ADDRESS? PLEASE CHECK THIS BOX

SEND TUITION BILL TO (NAME) _____

STREET _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL_(Mom) _____ CELL_(Dad) _____

E MAIL ADDRESS_(Mom) _____

E MAIL ADDRESS_(Dad) _____

Early registration is essential for well balanced classes. Please register as promptly as possible by filling out this form and returning it with your credit card or debit card information.

Please write the class or classes you or your child will be taking.

Check Preferred Payment Plan	
Paid In Full, Yearly Tuition	<input type="checkbox"/>
10 Monthly Payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Summer Camp	<input type="checkbox"/>

METHOD OF PAYMENT

Visa MasterCard Discover American Express _____
Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____

I hereby authorize Dance Design School, Inc. to charge my account the amount of \$_____ on the first of each month starting _____ and ending _____.

A registration fee of \$_____ will be charged to my account the time of registration.

Costume fees will be charged to dance accounts in the amount of \$70+tax/keepsake costume and \$35+tax/costume rental on March 1, 2013.

I will give the school office one month's written notice in the form of a 'Withdrawal Form' to discontinue these charges. I have read and understand the tuition policies and Withdrawal policy listed with in the tuition policy and I agree to abide by them.

Signature of Card Holder _____ Date _____

PHOTO RELEASE: I hereby grant permission to Dance Design School, Inc. to use my photograph on its Website or in other Dance Design School publication(s) without further consideration. I will make no monetary or other claim against Dance Design School, Inc. for the use of the photograph(s)/video. I also acknowledge Dance Design School, Inc. may choose not to use my photo at this time, but may do so at its own discretion at a later date.

WAIVER OF LIABILITY: I agree that I will not hold The Dance Design School, or any employee/teacher liable for injuries sustained or illness contracted while a student is at the class location.

POLICY TERMS: I have read, and understand the Policy Statement, RAD Statement, Photo Release Form and the Waiver of Liability, Code of Conduct, and agree to comply with the terms written within them.

How did you hear about us? _____

Signature of Student/Parent _____ Date _____

