



Total Dance Innovations

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday September 7, 2017	Competition Parent Meeting - 7:30 pm
Monday September 11, 2017	Dance Classes Begin!
Monday October 9, 2017	Thanksgiving - NO classes
Tues Oct 24 to Mon Oct 30, 2017	Pyjama Week
Tuesday, October 31, 2017	Halloween - NO classes
Wednesday, November 15, 2017	Costume Deposit Cheques Deposited
Fri Dec 16 to Thurs Dec 21, 2017	Viewing Week
Fri Dec 22/17 to Thurs Jan 4/18	Winter Break - NO classes
Friday, January 5, 2018	First day of classes for new year!
Monday, February 19, 2018	Family Day - Regular Classes
Mon. March 12 to Sun. March 18, 2018	March Break - NO classes
Fri, March 30 to Mon April 2, 2018	Easter - REGULAR classes
Monday May 21 2018	Victoria Day - NO classes
Saturday May 26, 2018	Comp & Recreational Photo Day
Monday, May 28, 2018	Last Day of Classes
Tuesday, May 29, 2018	Finale Rehearsal - at TDI studio
Tuesday, May 29 2018 - 8:00 pm	Recital Volunteer Meeting
Wed May 30, Thurs May 31, 2018	Dress Rehearsal at John Elliott Theatre, Georgetown
Friday, June 1, 2018 Saturday, June 2, 2018	Dance Recital at John Elliott Theatre, Georgetown

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Since 1998

Information & Policies

2017 / 18 Season

The policy and procedure booklet has been designed to answer possible questions and provide important information. Please review the booklet and keep as a reference throughout the season. Please note that certain information is subject to change.

DANCE ATTIRE (con't)

Class	Dance Attire - Recreational Students
Hip Hop	Comfortable sports like clothing - made from stretch material White indoor sneakers No street clothes allowed
Musical Theatre	Yoga wear Black Jazz shoes No street clothes allowed

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Important:

- ♥ Do not purchase tap shoes or ballet slippers from Pay Less or Walmart. These shoes are not designed properly. Dancewear from these stores is okay.
- ♥ Please check with your teacher before wearing your shoes on the first day of class to ensure that shoes fit correctly. Dance shoes should fit like a glove and not be loose.
- ♥ Do not put taps on tap shoes yourself.
- ♥ Tights recommended are not necessary for class but will be needed for the recital
- ♥ Ballet students, please wear white or pink ankle socks if choosing not to wear tights
- ♥ No long pants for Jazz, or Acro are allowed for class - tight leggings are acceptable

Competitive Students:

- ♥ Competitive students must have convertible tights.
- ♥ Shoe and clothing requirements will be provided separately.

Local Dance Supply Store:

In Step Activewear,
885 Main St E.,
Milton, Ontario L9T 5A7
Tel: 905-876-0320 Website: www.instepactivewear.com



"Dancer's are athletes of god"
Albert Einstein

"There are short-cuts to happiness, and dancing is one of them."
Vicki Baum

"Dancing is the poetry of the foot."
John Dryden



DANCE ATTIRE

Class	Dance Attire - Recreational Students
Pre-Dance	Body Suit, any colour (may have attached skirt) Mondor Carmel Tights Black Gymnastic Slippers
Ballet: Intro & Beginner	Mondor Tank RAD Pink Body Suit (may wear ballet skirt) Mondor Ballerina Pink Tights Bloch Dansoft Slipper, Capezio Teknick or Sansha (leather)
Ballet: Junior & Grades 1 to 5	Mondor Tank RAD Navy Body Suit Mondor Microfibre Tights - Ballerina Pink (full foot or convertibles) Bloch Dansoft Slipper, Capezio Teknick or Sansha (leather)
Vocational & Teen Ballet	Mondor Tank RAD Black Bodysuit Mondor Microfibre Tights - Ballerina Pink (full foot or convertible) Bloch Dansoft Slipper, Capezio Teknick or Sansha (leather)
Jazz Intro & Beginner: Junior & Inter:	Body suit, any color, or Yoga wear (shorts or capris & top) Mondor Full Foot Tights, Caramel Black Gymnastic Slippers Mondor Stirrup Tights - Caramel Beige Foot Undies
Acro & Contemporary	Body suit, any colour or Yoga shorts & top Mondor StirrupTights - Caramel Bare Feet
Tap Intro & Beginner: Junior. & Inter:	Body suit, any colour (may wear a dance skirt) or Yoga wear (shorts or capris & top) Mondor Caramel tights Shoes: Capezio Tyette 625 Black Capezio Mary Jane, Bloch Mary Jane or Sansha Mary Jane

To All Dancers and Guardians:

Thank you for choosing our school to study the Art of Dance. We are extremely excited to begin our 19th dance season.

At TDI we are proud to offer our students a wide variety of classes. Each class is specially designed to learn specific skills in a structured, fun environment.

The spacious dance studios are well equipped to suit the needs of our programs. Mirrors, barres, mats & sprung floors are tools used to help a dancer excel in their classes.

We wish to make sure all the families who attend TDI feel welcome in our facility. The dressing rooms are designed for the use of all TDI students while common rooms serve as waiting areas for parents.

Throughout the season, we are continuously updating our web site and anticipate having newsletters and general information for viewing/printing available online.

The teachers at TDI are all extremely qualified and dedicated to their positions. A dance teacher's main goal at TDI is to pass on their "love of dance" to our students!

We hope everyone has an enjoyable dance season!

Sincerely,

Synda Yukin

DANCE SEASON

Our dance season commences Monday, September 11th, 2017 and continues through to Monday, May 28, 2018.

PAYMENT POLICIES

Payment Options:

- ♥ 3 payments: 1st cheque due at registration, others post dated December 1, 2017 and March 1, 2018
- ♥ 9 equal payments: 1st cheque due on registration, others post dated October 1, 2017 to May 1, 2018

Registration Fee:

A non-refundable registration fee of \$30.00 per family is payable at time of registration.

N.S.F. Cheques / Payments:

All returned cheques are subject to a \$25.00 service charge. After two NSF cheques, all cheque privileges will be revoked. Overdue accounts must be paid upon invoicing. Late payments will be charged 10% interest per month. Students may not be able to participate if payments are in arrears.

Refunds:

We apologize but there are no refunds for missed classes nor can we refund any processed cheques if a student wishes to withdraw from classes at TDI.

Costumes For Recital:

A \$50.00 non-refundable costume deposit per class is due on registration payable by posted dated cheque dated November 15, 2017. The costume fees for recreational dancers range between \$60 and \$100. An invoice will be provided for the costume balance in March, 2018 and payment is due in April 2018. Costumes will not be given to the students until the last class prior to the dance recital. Costumes cannot be ordered if payments have not been received.

Dance Showcase Tickets:

Tickets go on sale in May and are available through the Theatre Box Office. The price for tickets will be \$26.00/ea.

Studio Rules (con't)

ALL (con't):

- ♥ GOSSIP, foul language, bullying or violence are strictly prohibited at the TDI facility.
- ♥ It is not appropriate for parents or students to phone or email a teacher at home. Please call the studio or email info@totaldanceinnovations.com with your concerns.
- ♥ TDI restricts the action or promotion of any illegal activity.
- ♥ **Nut Allergies - NO NUTS OR NUT** products are to be brought into the studio. There are existing students at TDI with severe allergies

* Anyone found defacing the property or violating the rules will be * asked to leave the studio with no refund of fees paid.

♥ **Let's keep a positive atmosphere for everyone!!** ♥



EXAMS:

Ballet students will be chosen for an exam based on class progress and their individual abilities. A qualified examiner will test the students on set exercises and dances that they have learned during their regular ballet classes. Exam candidates will be graded on their knowledge of syllabus, musicality, technique and performance. A mark and certificate will be given to each dancer who is successful within 12 weeks of the Exam Date.

COMPETITIVE TEAMS:

Dancers are invited to join TDI's competitive teams based on their talent, potential and dedication. Any student interested in becoming part of the competition class should take as many classes as possible, especially ballet. Competition requires more studio time, and commitment from both the dancer and his/her parents. Please inform TDI of your interest in the program.



Studio Rules

Please help us to keep TDI a safe and clean environment by adhering to the following:

STUDENTS

- ♥ Please leave your valuables at home - the studio is not responsible for lost or stolen articles. Any articles left behind will be placed in the lost and found. Please check this regularly as any items not claimed will be donated to charity.
- ♥ Students should be quiet and courteous at all times.
- ♥ Students are to be prompt for class and enter the studio in proper dance attire, hair securely tied back, and no jewelry.
- ♥ No gum is allowed in the dance studios.
- ♥ No running in the studio.
- ♥ Hanging on the ballet barres is prohibited and students must stay off and away from studio equipment unless directed to use it.
- ♥ Students should respect their teachers by listening to their directions and raising their hand only when necessary to ask a question.
- ♥ Students should be courteous to their fellow dancers.

PARENTS:

- ♥ Reception and change rooms are unsupervised. Please do not leave children unattended.
- ♥ Please do not enter the dance studio area unless you are a student and it is your class time.
- ♥ Please try to be on time when dropping off and picking up your child.

ALL:

- ♥ Place all garbage in the trash cans. We recycle only water bottles & clean paper products. Please take all other recycling home.
- ♥ Pick up your belongings.
- ♥ Do not wear street shoes in the studios, reception area or change rooms.
- ♥ Keep the change room and washrooms tidy.
- ♥ No acro tricks or tumbling may be done without trained supervision.
- ♥ No running in the change room, hall, or waiting area.
- ♥ No food will be allowed in the studios. Water bottles with a secure lid are allowed in a designated area.



General Policies

Holidays (Classes do not run):

The studio will be closed on the following days:

- Thanksgiving - Monday October 9, 2017
- Halloween - Tuesday October 31, 2017
- Winter Break - Friday December 22/17 to Thursday January 4/18
- Spring Break - Monday March 12 to Sunday March 18, 2018
- Victoria Day - Monday May 21, 2018

Class Sizes:

TDI has the right to cancel or divide classes with respect to the class size. A class with 6 students or less may be condensed in time as this is considered a semi-private class.

Notices and Important Information:

Throughout the year TDI will distribute newsletters or notices. These notices contain valuable information about upcoming events at the studio. We will post any newsletters or notices on our website at www.totaldanceinnovations.com and on the bulletin board located in the waiting area. Please check the website or the board frequently.

Dress Code:

It is important that all dancers attend classes in proper dance clothing so body lines are clearly visible to the teachers for proper instruction. Dancers may be asked to sit out if they do not follow the dress code. Please see the dance attire section on pages 8 & 9 for a complete list of requirements.

Hair:

Hair must be tied back in a neat, secure ponytail (no bangs) for all classes. Ballet students must have hair in a neat secure bun. Gel and hairspray are recommended for each class.

Jewelry:

For safety reasons, no jewelry may be worn in class (including friendship bands). Stud earrings are acceptable. Belly button rings should be covered and secure.

Washroom:

All students should try to use the washroom before class to ensure they do not miss out on valuable class time.



General Policies (con't)

Spectators:

No spectators are allowed in class. If the studio door is closed, please do not open it, as it is distracting to the dancers. Viewing windows will be opened at the teachers discretion.

Viewing Week:

The last week of classes before the Christmas break (Friday, December 16 to Thursday, December 21) will be open for parents to observe their children's class.

Arrival & Departure:

Parents, please make every effort to ensure your children arrive at the studio 5 minutes before class time. Late arrival is distracting to the class and may cause the student to miss important warm-ups. The student may be asked to sit out of class if he or she arrives after the class is in progress.

Attendance:

Please call the studio if you are going to be absent. Regular attendance is necessary in order for the students to take full advantage of the instruction offered. Irregular attendance restricts the progress of the student and their class.

Director Meetings:

To ensure class time is not disturbed please call the studio or email us at info@totaldanceinnovations.com to discuss concerns. Even though we may not appear available please do not leave problems unaddressed. Communication is the key; there is usually a solution.

Snow Days / Cancellations:

In the event of a snow storm or other severe inclement weather, TDI may close. Every effort to contact all students will be made, however, please call the studio at 519-853-8628. Our voice message will be updated by 3:00 pm with cancellations. Please Note: There will not be scheduled "make-up" classes for cancellations. Students may choose to take another similar class to compensate for a cancelled class.

Emergencies:

In case of an emergency we will attempt to notify everyone and/or post a notice on the studio door.



General Policies (con't)

Rehearsals / Recital:

The Dance Showcase will be held on June 1 and 2, 2018. It is very exciting as well as a great opportunity for family and friends to enjoy the progress your dancer has made throughout the year. Students who wish to perform in the recital must attend the dress rehearsal and show for each class they attend.

The dress rehearsal will be held Wed May 30 and Thur May 31, 2018. Please be available for all these dates. A more detailed schedule will be given out closer to these events.

The Finale:

Rehearsal will take place at TDI studio on Tuesday, May 30, 2018. The students will participate in a Finale routine at the end of the show. It is important to attend the rehearsal to practice and become familiar with the finale routine.

Photos / Video/DVD of Recitals:

TDI has a professional photographer, Fred's Photography, attend the studio to take class and individual pictures. We encourage our students to participate in the class photo even if they do not wish to have an individual picture taken. Professional Photo Day is scheduled for Saturday May 26, 2018. Photos are available for purchase directly from the photographer at the dress rehearsals in the lobby of the John Elliott Theatre.

A professional videographer will be recording each recital. Pre-order forms will be available at the studio prior to the recital dates. The DVD/Videos will be available for pick up at the following years registration, or at the Acton Leathertown Festival.

Please Note:

Photos and DVD's are a service provided by TDI. The studio does not financially benefit from their sales. All concerns should be addressed to these private companies.

Each student and his or her legal guardian releases the rights to all photography, (web or video) that may be taken during TDI classes, performances or competitions for use in advertising.