

**RECREATIONAL CLASS
ABSOLUTE DANCE POLICIES 2020/2021**

PARENT NAME (print): _____ **CHILD'S NAME (print):** _____

CLASS(ES): _____

You are signing up for an approximate 9-month contract from the middle of September until the recital, which usually occurs in May. We do allow for class changes as outlined in point 4, listed below. If you have any questions please ask a member of the Executive prior to signing for these Policies.

1. Absolute Dance is a non-profit dance club, organized and run by parent volunteers. As such we hold a high value on the volunteers, and it is a **requirement** of all dance families to participate in volunteering in one job throughout the year. A membership fee of \$200, in the form of a post-dated cheque dated for July 15th of the following year, will be collected from all dance families. The cheques will be destroyed if you complete the volunteer task that you signed up for and attend **one** of the two general meetings of the membership. If not, the cheque will be cashed. NSF charges of \$25 will be levied for all NSF cheques.
2. Consistent attendance is important for all groups. Please remember that the absence of your child from classes negatively affects the others in their group and their recital performance. Please make every effort for consistent attendance.
3. It is our goal to provide a fun and educational opportunity for youth in our community. It is important for the dancer to be placed in the correct class for their interest and ability level. Every effort will be made to fit dancers appropriately in the correct classes. A \$10.00 processing fee will be charged in the event of a refund. However, class changes and refunds are not allowed after 4 weeks of class.
4. The goal of our dance year is the spring recital. You will need to notify the Registrar at absolutedance.registrar@gmail.com to confirm your child's attendance at the recital by December 1st. If your dancer is not participating in the recital they will not be allowed to attend the last 4 weeks of classes, to allow the others in the class time to adjust to the routine without them present.
5. We **aim to offer 27 weeks of classes**, most dance years have more than this which allows for us to cancel any classes should the need arise. Classes may need to be cancelled or rescheduled due to holidays, weather, teacher illness where a substitute cannot be found, government-ordered closures or other unusual circumstances. There will be no classes held on Thanksgiving Monday, Halloween, Family Day, Good Friday, Easter Sunday and Monday. No classes will be held during Christmas holidays or March Break – following the school calendar – starting the Saturday before and returning the last Saturday of the holidays i.e. classes will resume the Saturday after the New Year and before school starts. _____ **initial**
6. Questions regarding Absolute Dance may be directed to the teacher involved or any member of the Executive. If you would like to speak with a teacher please arrange a mutually agreeable time in advance, which is outside of their regular class hours so as not to interrupt the teaching of classes. Alternatively, the executive may be reached through email. – www.absolutedance.ca.
7. If you have any concerns, comments, or compliments it is your responsibility to address the issue with a member of the Executive, in a timely manner via email or in person.
8. The Executive Members are elected through the General Meeting by the membership. These are volunteer positions, harassment of the executive, teachers, other dancers, or consistent non-attendance in classes that may result in the dancer or family being asked to leave the dance club. No refunds will be issued.
9. Costumes are provided for all recreational dancers and are included in the registration fees. No additional fees for costumes will be collected. Costumes are the property of the club and must be returned to the Executive immediately following the recital.

10. Video of the year-end recital is included in the registration fee, one fee per family; not per child.

11. In the event that a dancer is unable to complete the dance year, either by choice or by extreme circumstances i.e. pandemics and mandatory closures, no refunds will be issued after the initial four week period.

12. Classes will begin in an online format (Zoom) should the studio be required to close.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

CONDITIONS OF USE

I, the undersigned understand that Absolute Dance and the instructors thereof are not liable for personal injuries or loss of, or damage to, personal property. I understand that participating in dance classes involves the possibility of physical injury. I, therefore, assume all risks involved in the participation of all dance instruction for the dancer named herein for the year 2020-2021. I exempt, release and indemnify – Absolute Dance and the faculty thereof, including assistants, volunteers and Executive Directors from any and all liability claims, demands or causes of action whatsoever from any damage, loss or physical injury to myself or my participating minor child. ***Dancers must complete a Covid-19 health screening prior to entering the studio on each date of class.*** _____ ***Initial***

An assumption of assumption of risk waiver is required prior to a dancer beginning classes. _____ ***Initial***

All dance families are reminded that should their dancer(s) be diagnosed with a suspected concussion at the studio or elsewhere, Absolute Dance will require documentation from a medical doctor or nurse practitioner prior to allowing them to return to dance.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

I DECLARE THAT:

I authorize the Absolute Dance Club to the release of my child’s name, age, and photograph, as long as this release has been sanctioned by a member of the Absolute Dance Club Executive Committee or a member of the club’s teaching staff. This includes publications within the Absolute Dance Club and dancing community at large, in addition to external mediums including but not limited to the Absolute Dance Club’s website.

I agree that our phone number and Email address can be used within the Absolute Dance Club to facilitate the distribution of the club newsletter, meeting updates, informational emails, emergency contact, and for a club phone directory. I acknowledge that any other personal information will not be released without my prior express consent.

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Date

Membership Fee: I understand that Absolute Dance is a non-profit dance studio operated by parent volunteers. As such, I agree to participate in one or two volunteer duty(ies) of my choosing and attend one of two general meetings per dance season. General meetings are in September and April each year. If I fail to complete either my volunteer duty or I do not attend one of the two general meetings, my cheque in the amount of \$200.00 **will be cashed.**

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Dancer Name: _____