

conservatory of dance company



Want to join the Conservatory of Dance Company? Here are the answers to all your questions!

What is Company?

Conservatory of Dance Company (CODC) is a team of dancers who want to study dance in depth. Dancers on the team learn extra dance pieces (solos, duets, trios, small group pieces and large group pieces) to perform at competitions for a score. They also represent the studio by performing in the 4th of July parade and other places in the community.

How do we join the team?

To start, each dancer interested in being on the company team needs to come to the audition scheduled by the studio. We usually schedule auditions on a week day in the summer and divide it by age.

What does my dancer need to bring to audition? Do they need to prepare a dance?

No. During auditions, we teach the dancers a combination that they will learn and perform for us that day. After auditions are over, we will send the dancers an acceptance letter in the mail to announce what competition pieces they have been picked for. They should bring all their dance shoes to the audition and wear regular dance clothes with hair in a bun.

What are the class requirements to be on Company?

Each dancer on the team is required to take certain classes throughout the year. Class requirements depend on which level of company your dancer is on. The level they get placed on will be announced to you on their acceptance letter.

If your dancer is placed on Level 1, the class requirements are:
to take Ballet, Jazz, Tap and the Level 1 CODC Technique Class for sessions 1-4 during the dance year. We also highly recommend Acrobatics.

If your dancer is placed on Level 2, the class requirements are:
to take Ballet, Jazz, at least two extra classes of their choice and the Level 2 CODC Technique Classes for sessions 1-4 during the dance year. We also highly recommend Acrobatics.

What are the CODC Technique classes and what do they cost?

To give our company team more of an opportunity to excel at competitions, we require the dancers to take extra technique classes in addition to the recreational dance classes we offer at the studio. The CODC Technique classes focus on more in-depth dance training. The fee for these classes is charged on your account as "Company Tuition". Tuition fees are shown below. Level 1 is one class per session, Level 2 is three classes per session.

Company Tuition Fee	Class Choreo Fee
\$35/Company Class/Session	\$15/Company Class/Session

If you dancer is offered a solo, duo, trio or small group there is a separate fee schedule sent out with the acceptance letter that details those fees. These are optional routines and can be declined.

Where are the competitions that our team attends?

We usually choose competitions that are in Grand Rapids which is the closest location to us that they come. Competitions are scheduled on the weekends, usually starting on Friday evening and going through Sunday evening. We typically attend 3 competitions as a team.

Does my dancer need to purchase extra costumes for competition?

Yes. Each competition routine that your dancer is a part of will have a costume assigned. The studio orders these costumes (just like recital costumes) and adds the charge to your account. Competition costumes usually range between \$50 and \$85.

What does it cost to attend the competition?

Each competition charges a fee for each routine. A competition fee is approximately \$60 per routine. Solos, duos and trios incur extra fees.

I've heard about fundraisers, how does that work?

The CODC parents often come together to organize fundraisers for competition costs. The fundraisers are typically things like, car washes, bottle drives, Yankee Candle sales, Krispy Kreme Doughnut sales, recital flower sales, etc. We have a private Facebook group where plans are shared and other interested parents can volunteer to help. Fundraisers are not mandatory but generally greatly help with costs.