



All-Star Competitive Dance Informational Packet 2018-2019

BE A STEPS ALL-STAR!!!

We are excited you have interest in our All-Star program. Our mission is to teach our athletes the values of strong work ethic, commitment, leadership, self-confidence, positive attitude, spirit and pride for their team, sportsmanship, and a greater passion for dance, performance, and community.

All-Star Dance is a great way for young dancers to build self-confidence and pride while making lifelong friendships. We don't simply consider this a program, we are a **FAMILY** that works together to support all dancers and all teams.

Be The BEST You Can Be For Your TEAM

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Perform and compete representing STEPS• Entertain and share talent and passion with the community• Achieve Excellence at competition/performance• Be dedicated and fulfill all team commitments• Maintain skill level and keep improving | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Set good examples for all young dancers• Embrace leadership and expectations in and out of dance• Build great friendships• Create life-long memories• Have fun and enjoy every moment of our season |
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Age Division- Based on birthday as of August 31st, 2018

EVALUATION CLINIC DATES

Vernon Location - Mini – Senior Team

Wednesday, May 30 – Friday, June 1 6-8 PM

Seymour Location – Youth Team Only

Friday, June 16th – 6-8PM Saturday, June 17th 12-3 PM

All-Star Clinic/Team Placements

STEPS will be using evaluation clinics as an opportunity to find the best team option or class recommendation for each dancer interested. We will strive to make this process as stress-free and FUN as possible while keeping in mind all dancers and overall program goals. If we feel a dancer auditioning will have a season of struggle and unhappiness, we will let you know of an option better suiting dancer. Team placements, and practice schedules will be emailed following clinic week. If required, technique/tricks classes will begin first of June. Full team practices will begin second week of July. First tuition payment will be due in July.

Parent Meeting

Wednesday July 11th – 7 PM - VERNON Seymour Parent meeting – TBA

First team installment due as well as July Tuition. First fundraiser will begin. Ask any questions you may have.

Can't Make It To Placement Clinic?

If you can't make it to placement clinic due to school, sports, or family conflict. Send us an email at sdcnv@hotmail.com or call 812-352-1203. We can work together to set up a time for your child to be evaluated.

Our Vision for All-Star Teams 2018-2019

We would like for each of our team to be 10-14 or more athletes with a variety of skills and abilities. There can be solid, well-rounded athletes who have particularly strong abilities in certain areas. (Ex. leaps, turns, skills). In addition, there will be set team goals needed for competitive season. Competitive routine will be created that will contain different dance elements and choreography best suited for all dancers and ability level in mind. Dancers must be able to pick up on choreography and attain technical skills at a quicker pace. In addition to the pace, we need dancers who are willing to work hard, put team first, and have a great attitude along the way.

Requirements

- Be ON TIME to weekly practices. Tardiness will not be tolerated.
- Dance tuition for teams must be paid by the 5th of each month. If dance account isn't kept current, dancer will not be eligible to perform at scheduled competitions/events and will not be able to participate in practices.
- Attendance is MANDATORY. Each dancer is expected to attend practices every week in order to keep up with choreography, new information, and performance schedules. Excused absences are at coach's discretion. Work, tired, homework are all examples of what will NOT be considered an excused absence.
- Have an email account on file that is checked regularly. Information will often be sent via email.
- Be responsible. Stay informed! Ask questions if you have them!
- Respect EVERYONE. Be kind and courteous at all times. Gossip, offensive comments and rude behavior will not be tolerated. STEPS All-Stars represent a positive and respectful group of young dancers AND families.
- Keep up with studio news by visiting the website www.danceatsteps.com
- Understand and follow all contents of STEPS All-Star requirements.
- Failure to follow any of these guidelines will result in dismissal from the program.

Financial Commitment and Fund Raising

It is a **top priority** to make this program as cost effective as possible to give dancers the opportunity to be involved. This is a fantastic program for dancers that want to go above and beyond just the recreational class setting or recreational limited travel team. Our program is significantly **way less** expensive in comparison to other 'like' all-star dance programs within tri-state area of Indiana, Kentucky, and Ohio. We DO work hard to keep it that way! We have a standard of being a great quality program that creates great experiences and memories all while teaching many life lessons beyond dance.

We will work to do all we can to keep our dancers and parents happy!

GETTING STARTED

Team Fees – 325.00

\$75.00 due July 11th – Parent Meeting + July tuition \$120.00 due August 15th \$105.00 due September 15th

Team fee DOES include Jacket Cost – If no jacket is needed, \$65 will be removed from team fees.

Cost excludes: all shoes, jazz pants, event fees, secondary showcase attire ****see event fees on following page**

Dance Team Items	Make Payable to STEPS
Primary Competitive Costume	\$70.00
Team T-Shirt Team Jacket (Parades/Local Performances)	\$115.00
USASF Athlete Fee/Processing	\$40.00
Supplies, Accessories, Dancer Celebration, Lock-in	\$25.00
Choreography, Music, Team Administration	\$75.00

Program Cost Monthly

Team	Tuition Per Month	Practices Per Week	Event Cost
Tiny	\$40 / monthly	1 @ 45 minutes	Added per event website
Mini, Youth	\$60 /monthly	2 @ 45min-1hr/rotating calendar	Added per event website
Junior	\$60 /monthly	2 @ 1 hour and 15 minutes or more	Added per event website
Senior	\$60/monthly	1 @ 30 minutes / additional scheduled times	Added per event website
Solo,Duet,Trio	\$50/monthly	1 @ 30 minutes / additional scheduled times	Added per event website
Crossover - Senior	\$30/monthly	Floating calendar beginning in October	Added per event website

FUNDRAISING

Make your Fundraising opportunities COUNT!!!

Fundraising isn't required by program to participate and we aren't **obligated** as a program to endure the extra behind the scenes work that it takes to offer fundraising assistance to our dancers. However, we understand the importance that fundraising has in order to make this opportunity happen for a lot of our All-Star team members. The ability for them to be apart of the program regardless of financial situation makes the efforts worth it. Fundraising will begin immediately after teams are formed and will start after our first parent meeting. Fundraising will include business advertisement and individual sponsor opportunity for studio All-Star season shirts/program. Please know that all fundraising credits will go to your family account to help with costs.

We are unable to apply fundraising to specific events.

We have seen it! ALL supply/event fees CAN be paid for with fundraising!

Event Commitment

As a team, we will be making the commitment for this season to represent our studio and community by attending local events and parades when given notice. We are excited for another GREAT season of STEPS All-Stars!!!

Performances and Estimated Event Dates

- Events upon invitation or request
- FREE ● Jennings Co Fair –Week of June 11th Jackson Co Fair – Week of July 23rd
- FREE ● Jennings Co Homecoming Parade – TBA - No Seymour Team
- FREE ● Versailles Pumpkin Show Parade – TBA – No Seymour Team
- FREE ● Oktoberfest Parade – Saturday, October 6th
- EVENT – Mid November – Full Program - TBA
- FREE ● Christmas In The City Parade – TBA – No Seymour Team
- EVENT – Early December
- FREE ● All-Star/Sparkle Social – LOCK-IN January – TBA
- Just Dance – Indianapolis, IN – Mid January
- FREE ● SHS Basketball Game **HALFTIME** – January 2019
- Dance Super Nationals – Louisville, KY
- KAR – Louisville, KY – March 1-3
- Pacers Game –March-April – TBA (Tentative – Will not attend if it isn't mid March/early April)
- EVENT – comparable to KAR – Mid April
- STEPS 5th Annual Showcase – Seymour, IN – May 2019
- STEPS 16th Annual Showcase – JCHS Auditorium – May 2019

***If additional preparation is needed for competition, we will be adding or extending rehearsal times. ***
Event costs listed below are based on previous season event cost and does not include spectator admission or parking at events which can vary. The only 2 day event we will attend will be Dance Super Nationals and will need to prepare for lodging costs if you wish to stay. Commuting IS possible for Dance Super Nationals this season.

UDA – 70.00 (undecided)

Just Dance, Lex - \$75.00 (undecided)

Just Dance, Indy – \$75.00 (SR All-Star Crossover/ 2 Routines – \$118.75 - \$15-\$20 Admission

Dance Super Nationals – \$150.00 (Crossover/2 Routines – \$247.50 - \$20-\$30 Admission 2-Day

KAR - \$104.00 – 2 routines – Free entry fee

TOP(Event LIKE KAR) – price unknown at this time – Free entry fee.

** Team competitive divisions will be finalized following team placements. Event listing will be finalized with release dates from event producers.**



Turn in: Placement, Health Information, Contract, & Birth Certificate.

Placement Form

STEPS All-Star Teams

Dancer Name: _____ **#** _____

2018-2019

Name: _____ Age as of August 31, 2018: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Grade: _____

Dancer Cell: _____ Current School: _____ Dancer Email: _____

Parent Name: _____ Address: _____ Phone: _____

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Parent Email Address (must list): _____ Parent Email Address (must list): _____

Insurance Company: _____ Policy# _____ Doctor: _____

List any current or recurring medical conditions, medications, allergies, or activity restrictions: _____

Parent Authorization: In the event I cannot be reached in an emergency, I give permission to qualified medical personnel to apply treatment and to admit my child to the emergency room if necessary. Sarah Arnold will remain as my representative until I can be reached.

Parent Signature: _____

Have you danced before?

Yes _____ No _____ Yes if so, where? _____

Please describe your dance experience: _____

List any school sports or extra-curricular activities you will be involved in: _____

Briefly describe why you want to be a part of our All-Star Program: _____

If you have tumble experience, please list your skills: _____

What style of dance do you enjoy most? Please circle: Jazz Pom Lyrical Hip Hop Variety Other: _____

Please check location: Seymour Vernon

Check all current skills you have with proper technical execution: Single Pirouette Double Pirouette Triple
 Quad Pirouette Front leap Side Leap calypso leap Turns in second Fouette Turns
 Firebird Leap Tilt Jump Arabesque Jump Switch Leap Back Walkover Front Walkover
 Back Handspring Front Handspring Headstand Headspring Front Roll Lift Base
 Splits Kip Up Back Tuck Aerial Side or Front

Additional
Comments: _____

What are your strengths: _____

What would your best contribution be as a team member: _____

If chosen for an All-Star team, would you be willing to cross compete in an additional style? (Additional fees will apply if applicable)
No _____ Yes _____ **NA**

Are you interested in competing as a soloist in addition to team? Yes No What style: _____

Additional information: _____

What would your goals be as an All-Star for the 2018-2019 season? _____

I understand the contents of this packet fully and completely as dancer and parent.

As parent, _____, I understand that placement for teams are final and non-negotiable upon coaches discretion for the best interest of dancer and team as a whole. I understand the financial commitment and agree to keep dance account current in order to for dancer to continue in All-Star program/scheduled classes. I understand there is a \$10 late fee on account after the 10th of the month for any outstanding dance fees due. I understand the contents of the parent conduct form and have signed. I understand the risks involved in All-Star dance and injury that can occur and will not hold STEPS Dance Center or STEPS ALL-STARS, liable for any injuries/accidents that may happen at facility/performance venue. I understand there is a \$50.00 missed event fee. I understand that in the event my child doesn't continue with team, no fees will be refunded. I understand my signature is a direct reflection of entire family who would attend local and travel events.

Dancer Name: _____ Dancer Signature: _____

Parent Name: _____ Parent Signature: _____

Date of signature: _____ Season: STEPS All-Stars 2018-2019