**Chatham Dance Connection**

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**Important Dates and Closings**

**August 19, 2019** (Monday) Class Begins

**September 2, 2019** (Monday) **NO CLASSES** (Labor Day)

**October 26, 2019** (Saturday) Pittsboro Street Fair

**November 27 – December 1, 2019** **NO CLASSES** (Thanksgiving)

(Wednesday – Sunday)

**December 8, 2019** (Sunday afternoon at 3pm) Pittsboro Christmas Parade

**December 12, 2019** (Friday)Costume Balance DUE

**December 14, 2019** (Saturday afternoon) Holiday Performance (NHS)

**December 20, 2019 – January 3, 2020** **NO CLASSES** (Christmas Break)

(Friday – next Friday)

**January 4, 2020** (Saturday) 1st day of Spring Semester

**April 6 – 12, 2020**  **NO CLASSES** (Spring Break)

(Monday – next Sunday)

**April 17, 2020** (Friday)Student Choreography Show

**May 25, 2020** (Monday) **NO CLASSES** (Memorial Day)

**June 2, 2020** (Tuesday 4:30pm-7:30pm) Recital Rehearsal (CDC)

**June 4, 2020** (Thursday 4:30pm-7:30pm) Dress Rehearsal (NHS)

**June 6, 2020** (Saturday 11am & 3pm) **9th Annual Recital (NHS)**

**June 10 & 11, 2020** (Wednesday & Thursday) Extensions Company Auditions

**August 4-6, 2020** (Tuesday - Thursday) Company Choreography Week

**Common Policies**

1. Registration fees and costume deposit fees are due at the time you register for class and are **non-refundable**.
2. Tuition payments are due on the **1st day** of each month. A **$15.00 late fee** will be applied to your account if payment is received **after the 10th day** of the month.
3. If your tuition payment is not paid by the end of the current month, you/your child will not be allowed to resume classes until payment is received in full. Accounts must have a $0 balance before recital.
4. Tuition payments are based on a 4-week month. Sometimes you will have 5 classes in a month and sometimes you may have 3 classes. In the end, your 4-week payment will equal out. Therefore, tuition will not be pro-rated.
5. A fee of **$25.00** will be applied to your account for all returned checks.
6. All dancers must be dressed in appropriate dance attire and shoes for all classes. If you are dressed inappropriately (including hair), teachers reserve the right to sit you out of class. **NO JEWELRY** please.
7. Hair is to be worn back and away from the face during classes. Hair must be up in a secure bun, no bangs for **ALL** ballet classes.
8. Students should keep hands and feet to themselves during class. This means no inappropriate touching of other students, ballet barres, mats, mirrors or other property.
9. No gum chewing during class and absolutely no food or drink (except water) in the dance room.
10. Students should bring water bottles with them to class for water breaks. It is important to stay hydrated during dance and acrobatics classes.
11. Parents, siblings, friends, etc., are asked to wait outside of dance classes. Doors will be closed prior to the start of class and opened at the end of class. No interruptions (except emergencies) please.
12. In the event that you decide to withdraw your child from classes, you must provide Mrs. Ebony with a 2 week written notice. Tuition for that month must be paid in full and is **non-refundable**.
13. When bad weather occurs, classes are cancelled when Chatham County Schools are closed. Please check our website for updates. Students can make up classes in any genre that coordinates with their age level.
14. Please be respectful to teachers and assistants at all times. Insubordination and disrespect will not be tolerated from students or parents. Anyone displaying this type of behavior will be asked to leave the studio.
15. There will be no use of tobacco products, illicit drugs or alcohol at Chatham Dance Connection. Anyone under the influence of or in possession of tobacco products, illicit drugs or alcohol will be immediately asked to vacate the premises of Chatham Dance Connection.
16. All dance shoes must be ordered through Chatham Dance Connection. Students who do not have appropriate shoes for class will not be allowed to participate in performances with Chatham Dance Connection.
17. Class placement is based on age and ability level. Students who are of age, but have yet to reach the appropriate skill/ability level, will not be promoted to the next level. Promotion will only occur when a student reaches the appropriate skill set necessary to reach the next level.
18. Extensions Dance Company members must audition (and meet eligibility) in the spring of the previous dance year in order to participate. No members will be accepted after the audition date has passed.
19. All of our students participate in our annual dance recital. If you do not wish for you/your child to participate, please inform your teacher as soon as possible. Your child may continue to take class, but you will not have to buy a costume or pay recital fees.
20. Recital fees will be added to your account in the spring of the current dance year. Fees help cover the cost of putting on our annual performance. If your child is participating in the recital, you must pay a **non-refundable $35** recital fee. Fees include 2 tickets and a recital t-shirt for your child.
21. During costume distribution, you/your child will not receive their costume until all costume and studio fees are paid in full.
22. You/your child will not participate in the recital until **ALL** studio fees (including costume) are paid in full.
23. Please remove your street shoes before you enter the dance floor (students, parents, siblings & friends)! **Only dance shoes are allowed on the dance floor!**