

Welcome!

## **Creative Edge Dance Studio 2010-2011 Season**

We are happy you have chosen to dance with us this season. Whether you are a returning student, new student, or a student considering enrollment in one of our dance classes, we hope this brochure and handbook will help to answer some of your questions about Creative Edge Dance Studio and what is expected of our students.

Creative Edge Dance Studio provides a fun, rewarding, and challenging experience in the exploration of dance to students of all ages and abilities. This results from the collaboration among parents, students, and teachers. Class participation/attendance, a positive approach to learning, adherence to studio policies, and parental support are important factors influencing the experience of your student and others enrolled in class. In order to maintain a welcoming atmosphere, Creative Edge Dance Studio reserves the right to dismiss any student.

### **Creative Edge Dance Studio offers beginning to advanced classes in the following;**

**BALLET** — Classes emphasize the development of ballet skills with focus on proper placement and alignment. Students will learn ballet vocabulary through barre, center work, and movement across the floor while building strength and flexibility. Younger ballet classes incorporate creative movement exercises. Pointe class by instructor permission only. Open Ballet Technique for Ballet III and higher.

**JAZZ** — These upbeat classes teach basic jazz dance technique and movement quality with an emphasis on proper execution of jazz isolations (including ribcage and hip), rhythms, and style performed to age appropriate, energetic, and contemporary pop music.

**MODERN** — Modern dance is a contemporary dance form. Its movement vocabulary and range of motion are endless, creative, and draw on each student's personal expression. Classes are accompanied by fun and exciting world music and include floor work, center work, across the floor movement, improvisation and creative exercises.

**HIP HOP** — A high-energy recreational class that uses the latest sounds in hip hop and pop music together with movements influenced by some of today's video choreographers presented in an age appropriate manner.

**CREATIVE MOVEMENT - Preschool** — Students will be introduced to the basic elements of dance through use of props, games, and imagination. As students skip, gallop, twirl, and leap through space, they will love this great "starter" class.

**GUY'S TRICKS/HIP HOP** — A class for JUST THE GUYS focusing on tricks including jumps & turns, body conditioning, and an introduction to acro at a beginning and intermediate level. For Boys 9 and older.

**CONTEMPORARY/LYRICAL** — Contemporary/Lyrical dance is a dance form which fuses modern dance, jazz, and ballet. It is an advanced class offered to upper level Ballet, Jazz, and Modern students.

**JUNIOR AND SENIOR COMPANY** — The company groups meet to rehearse dances to be performed at local venues and regional competitions. Auditions for company members are held in the Spring after the Recital.

**TAP\*** — This class introduces the basic rhythmic skills of tap. Students will learn basic steps and concepts of tapping. The basic steps and rhythms will be put together into simple combinations and routines. More intricate steps and rhythms will be introduced as the year progresses. Students must provide their own tap shoes.  
(Note: For Adult Class, recital performance is optional.)

**DANCERSIZE\*** — An adult exercise class, we stretch, dance, breathe, and smile. To find out more call Ann at 869-2457.

**ADULT HIP HOP** — Adult Hip Hop is an exercise class for adults based on Hip Hop dance moves. Cardio, strengthening, and stretching included in this upbeat workout class. Hip Hop class will run for 6 week sessions (\$50.00 per session) throughout the year.

**Not sure which class or level is right for you?  
Just call or email and we'll set you up with an appropriate choice!**



# Student Handbook of Studio Rules & Practices



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## CLASS GUIDELINES

Students should arrive in the studio ready to dance:

- Hair **MUST** be pulled away from face in a ponytail or bun
- Appropriate footwear for class:
  - Ballet Pink Ballet Slippers
  - Jazz Black Jazz Shoes
  - Hip Hop Black Jazz Shoes/Sneakers
  - Modern Bare Feet
- Leotard, tights, tank tops, jazz pants or clothing that allows students to move freely.

***NO BAGGY CLOTHING, JEANS, OR KHAKIS PLEASE.  
Ballet students may not wear pants.***

- Long dangly jewelry must be removed.
- No gum or food is allowed in class.
- No child may enter a studio unless supervised by a teacher
- Water bottles are **STRONGLY** suggested.

The studio has a changing room found off of the waiting room for students to prepare for class.

## PERFORMANCE POLICY

- Recital and School Performances
- Attend the dress rehearsal (Thursday)
- Attend BOTH evenings of the Recital
- Wear proper make-up to accentuate your features in the bright lights
- Style your hair in the style chosen by the instructor for the dance,
- Required costume and accessories for the specific class.
- NOTE: We always hire a professional videographer to film the performance. Videos will be available to students for purchase.
- Do your best and have fun!

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: **RECITAL DATES:**        **May 27th & May 28th**  
: **DRESS REHEARSAL:**    **May 26th**  
: **Competition Dance:**    **TBA**  
: **School Performances:**   **TBA**  
: **Pictures Day:**            **TBA**  
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## CLASS CANCELLATION GUIDELINES

For your safety, classes will not be held when Bethlehem public schools are closed due to bad weather. When school begins late, we will hold classes as scheduled. In case of an unclear situation such as deteriorating weather conditions during the school day, please call the studio for a recording or visit our website at: [www.creativeedgedancestudio.com](http://www.creativeedgedancestudio.com). We will update the recording by 2:30pm. Please understand that emergency closings are for reasons beyond our control.

## STUDIO VACATIONS/DAYS OFF MAKE UP CLASS POLICY

Our classes run from September to May. We have 2 weeks at the end of the year that are for make up classes. Missed classes may also be made up at a different time scheduled by your instructor, usually a weekend day, Our vacations include:

**Thanksgiving: Monday, Nov 22nd    Friday, Nov 26th**  
**Winter: Monday, Dec 20th    Friday, Dec 31st (2 weeks)**  
**February: Monday, Feb 28th    Friday, March 4th**  
**April: Monday, April 18th    Friday, April 22nd**

***NOTE: Unless otherwise announced, we will hold classes during school professional days and one day Holidays***

## PAYMENT POLICY

Payments may be deposited in the gray tuition boxes located in the studio or by mail. Payments may be made monthly or yearly:

- Monthly - Tuition is divided into 9 equal monthly payments due on the 15th of each month, Monthly Tuition Booklets can be picked up in the lobby,
- Yearly - If tuition is paid in full by Sept 15th you will receive a 10% discount.
- Costumes- A costume deposit of \$25.00 per class is due upon registration. This represents only a partial payment on the costume. Once costumes are ordered and full price is known, the remainder payment will be due.

***NOTE: Once the costume is ordered you will be responsible for paying for it even if your enrollment status has changed.***

## CLASSROOM VISITATION

Parents are welcome guests in the classroom on a limited basis. In consideration of ALL students in the class please refrain from frequent observation. During the first month of class, we ask that you allow your children and their teacher to get to know one another on their own. Although we love having students share their class with you, we also understand that sometimes visitors present a distraction to both teacher and student (both young and old).

Thanks you for your cooperation and understanding. For your convenience, there is a waiting room located off of the downstairs studio.

## PARKING GUIDELINES DROP OFF / PICKUP

The parking lot for the dance studio is located on the right side of the building as you are looking at the building. You may also park along the stone wall on the way down to the Mini Storage Units. This studio is open 15 minutes before the first scheduled class and will close when the final class of the day is completed. Please do not leave students unattended.

## LOST & FOUND STUDIO SPACES

There is a lost and found box located in the changing room. Anything left in the studio will be put in the lost and found. Please do not use equipment/props in the studios without permission. Thanks!

## DANCE WEAR

Frogs and Lily Pads	St. Johnsbury, VT	802-748-2975
DanceOn	Laconia, NH	528-3267
Glitz Dancewear	Manchester, NH	624-5557
On Stage Dancewear	West Lebanon, NH	298-9061

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