



# 2011-12 Competition Team Information

Competition team participation is an opportunity available for 1<sup>st</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students. **Competition team means more dedication...** This includes more class time, an increase in tuition, more competition fees and extra uniform costs. Each team has different requirements during the summer and fall months. However, this can be very rewarding for your child if they love to dance/cheer, is enthusiastic about attending often, and has the ability both mentally and physically to excel. This is a perfect opportunity for children who need more challenges! If you wish to discuss your child's placement speak with your instructor or contact Tracy.

## Dance Team Requirements

### Mini Eclipse- 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> grades

- **Evaluations** are not required. Speak with your instructor or Tracy to ensure competition dance is the best fit for your child. ☺
- **Summer Classes**- Team technique in addition to one other class of choice. *(Summer Ballet required for new competition team dancers, additional studio classes are encouraged for all!)*
- **Fall Classes**- Team Practice, team technique and your dancers choice of ballet or jazz.
- **Routines**- Pom, Jazz & Hip Hop (depending upon level of group)
- **Workshops**- Summer Technique/Hip Hop Combo 2 day Workshop- June Date TBA, \$30 per dancer

### Lunar Eclipse- 4-6<sup>th</sup> grades

- **Evaluations**- will be held Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 4:00-6:30 pm \*Mandatory to participate!
- **Summer Classes**- Team technique & Hip Hop in addition to one other class of choice.
- **Fall Classes**- Team Practice, team technique and ballet. *(additional studio classes are encouraged!)*
- **Routines**- Pom, Jazz & Hip Hop \*Lyrical team optional
- **Workshops**- Summer Technique/Lyrical/Hip Hop Combo 2 day Workshop- June Date TBA, \$50 per dancer

### Solar Eclipse 7-9<sup>th</sup> grades

- **Evaluations**- will be held Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 4:00-6:30 pm \*Mandatory to participate!
- **Summer Classes**- Team technique & Hip Hop in addition to one other class of choice.
- **Fall Classes**- Team Practice, team technique and ballet. *(additional studio classes are encouraged!)*
- **Routines**- Pom, Jazz & Hip Hop \*Lyrical team optional
- **Workshops**- Summer Technique/Lyrical/Hip Hop Combo 2 day Workshop- June Date TBA, \$60 per dancer

### Senior Team 9-12<sup>th</sup> grades

- **Evaluations**- will be held Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 4:00-6:30 pm \*Mandatory to participate!
- **Summer Classes**- Team technique & Hip Hop in addition to one other class of choice.
- **Fall Classes**- Team Practice, team technique and ballet. *(additional studio classes are encouraged!)*
- **Routines**- Pom, Jazz, Hip Hop & Lyrical
- **Workshops**- Summer Technique/Lyrical/Hip Hop Combo 2 day Workshop- June Date TBA, \$60 per dancer

***All Competition Dancers- Ballet enrollment must be with Dynamic.***

## Team Placement

All students will be placed on a team according to age/grade. In some cases a student may be moved up or down, or the teams may be formed differently based upon skill level and registered students. Families are notified with any changes to their child's placement. Dynamic instructors will suggest placement that is **always** in the best interest of your child.

## Team Fees

- **Pom Rental**- All Dancers \$10, **due by August 31<sup>st</sup>** \* Competition dancers will use poms provided by Dynamic unless wish to use own.
- **Senior Team only**- Pom Top rental- \$30, **due by August 31<sup>st</sup>**
- **Workshops/Choreography**- Dancer fees for workshops are **due on the date of the workshop**. Choreography fees will be communicated after evaluations are complete and **due by the date of the first session**.
- **Uniforms**- Details will be communicated during the summer session.
- **Competition Fees**- will be collected in three payments for all events. (excluding UPA)
  - Team fees will be **due by the following dates: Oct 1<sup>st</sup>, Nov 1<sup>st</sup>, Dec 1<sup>st</sup>**
  - UPA (4-12<sup>th</sup> grades) **1<sup>st</sup> payment of \$150 due by June 5<sup>th</sup>** (Remaining fees will be communicated during summer session)
- **Coaching Fee**- Competition students will submit a fee to help compensate instructors for weekend events/extra hours spent with team. This fee will alleviate the need to increase tuition. **Due by August 31<sup>st</sup>**
  - Mini Eclipse Dancers- \$40 per student
  - Lunar Eclipse, Solar Eclipse Senior Team Dancers- \$60 per student

## Other Important Information

- All team members will be expected to purchase a **NEW** team jacket. (pants optional)  
Note: Mini Eclipse dancers who just purchased a new jacket in 2010 have the option to wait one year.
- All team members will be expected to purchase team shoes. (2-3 pair)
- All team members will be expected to purchase team practice wear. (Details will be provided during summer session.) Practice wear will alleviate dress code issues/distractions and may be used for other performances.
- All team members will be expected to purchase team accessories as needed. i.e. hair, makeup, costume jewelry, tights, socks, etc...

## Competition Schedule

The 2011-12 competition schedule will be posted to the website by the end of September. Halftime and other "special event" performances may be added during the season. Many dates for such events are not available prior to then.

## Dance Individuals / Small Groups

If you are interested in competing a dance solo or in a small dance group, the notification deadline is May 23<sup>rd</sup>. This opportunity can benefit a student who is highly dedicated, has a competitive edge and wishes to challenge herself. The student **MUST** be serious about this opportunity and understand the importance of independent practice habits.

**Self-discipline in practicing at home is necessary!** *Note:* Team routines/events are priority! Coaches will guide individuals during the season however cannot be expected to practice with and be present at every event.

Readiness and preparation is expected by the participant!

**Dance Solos/Small Groups**- Choreography costs and session times depend upon the choreographer.

**Kelsey Lund**- Solos \$175, Small Group (2-5 dancers) \$125 per dancer (4 hr learning session)

**Ashley Hardick**- Solos \$175, Small Group (2-5 dancers) \$125 per dancer (4 hr learning session)

**Elisabeth Ode**- Solos \$175, Small Group (2-5 dancers) \$125 per dancer (4 hr learning session)

**Kayla Preston**- Solos \$200, Small Group (2-5 dancers) \$125 per dancer

**Emily Dahley**- Solos \$200 (4 hr learning session)

## Fundraising

All team members are encouraged to fundraise. All profit goes to the seller's individual account and can be used for any competition related expense. (excludes tuition) A spring flower fundraiser is planned to begin soon! The profit is worth the effort and the flowers are beautiful! Help make this season easy on your checkbooks!

## Parent/Dancer Meeting & Contract

All competition dancers 7-12<sup>th</sup> grades participating will be required to sign a team contract prior to participating. This is necessary to ensure consistency and fairness for all involved throughout the season. A contract will be distributed during evaluations. Please read, ask questions, discuss with your dancer, sign contract and return at the below meeting.

**PARENT & DANCER MUST ATTEND MEETING! Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, Sioux Valley Energy Building, 8:00 p.m.**

## Competition Family PERKS!

ZUMBA classes FREE for all dancers ages 14 & up!

ZUMBA class discount for parents of competition dancers- \$5 off!