

ALL THAT DANCE
Hip Hop Team 2017-2018

Philosophy

What is being a member of hip hop team all about? Besides allowing students to become better dancers, team membership allows dance students to become immersed in the world of dance. It allows the dancers to participate in an individual sport that also has the benefits of a team sport. Members of the hip hop team will understand that being a member of the hip hop team is a balance of taking classes, attending workshops, competing and performing. The hip hop team will support and represent All That Dance at all times.

Hip hop team members will not view themselves in any way better than other dancer here at the studio. We do not want, nor will we tolerate, competition within the team or in the studio. We want our team members to have a fun and rewarding experience. However, we will also work hard. Success can only be gained through hard work.

Auditions

In order to participate in hip hop team classes, your dancer is required to audition. Auditions are closed to the public! We require that new dancers take the hip hop intensive this summer and the audition workshop August 14-17th from 5 to 7 p.m. and have had at least one year of hip hop classes here at All That Dance. The cost to attend the workshop is \$125 and includes the audition fee of \$25. Once selected for hip hop team, parents do not have to pay to register for team hip hop dance classes. Hip Hop team auditions will be held August 19th at 11 am.

Hip Hop Team Requirements

As a member of the hip hop team, you are required to take twice a week classes. Hip Hop team rehearsals are held during the semester and those members will be required to attend those rehearsals as well. These classes are not available to other dancers at this studio, only team members may attend. Hip Hop Team members must also take one additional class that is not hip hop.

There will be separate teams this year based upon age, attitude and ability. Team members will attend competitions, performances and workshops. Alternates may be chosen for both of the hip hop teams as well. If a dancer is picked to be an alternate, they must attend all classes and rehearsals in preparation to be moved up to the team as a permanent member at the end of the semester.

Hip Hop Team Costs

Hip Hop Team fees and tuitions are based upon actual tuition costs times the number of classes and rehearsals that team members are required to take per semester. Hip Hop team members take two hip hop team classes, one class that is NOT hip hop (jazz, ballet, tap, etc.) and rehearsals that are held on alternating weekends. Hip Hop Team members are eligible for multiple class discounts and assisting hip hop classes as well.

Other additional costs to hip hop team will be costumes, workshops and competition fees. Prices for each will vary. All hip hop team members will attend at least one workshop in the fall. Workshops are hosted by professional dance organizations. Participation in competition is voted on each semester by the hip hop team members and staff. Competing allows the hip hop team members to show off their talents and skills, as well as enforce the importance of being a gracious participant and winner.

These activities also foster team spirit while allowing the group to become better dancers. The hip hop team members will also perform in and around the Flagstaff area. We do all of this in hopes that it will improve our dancers and in turn, improve our team.

Dances

The amount of dances learned by each hip hop team will depend upon many factors. Most dances will be taught during the rehearsals. Some dances will be taught for performances, while some dances will be used for competitions. Therefore, the number of costumes needed, will depend on the number of dances learned. All That Dance realizes how expensive costumes can be and will be conscious of pricing when choosing hip hop team costumes.

Every member will be responsible for knowing all the dance material taught for their group. Hip hop team members should also have a copy of the dance music in hand to practice on at home. Hip Hop team members should participate to the best of their ability in all events, performances, rehearsals, fundraisers, etc. Hip Hop team members will purchase at the start, a new warm-up suit, team bag, matching hip hop sneakers and team t-shirt. This is to be worn for special appearances and occasions as dictated by the Executive Director.

Attendance

Attendance to all hip hop team classes and rehearsals is a vital component of a successful team. Please note that hip hop team classes cannot be made up in other dance classes. We believe that it is not only damaging for the student to miss class, but it is also unfair to their fellow dancers as well. Therefore, the only excused absences are school related conflict, contagious illness or a death in the family. Hip Hop team members are to notify the Executive Director immediately of any emergency.

If a team member misses more than two team classes and/or rehearsals, in one semester, the hip hop team member may be approached by the teacher or director and placed as an alternate in the team dances. This policy will be enforced and consequences are based at the teacher's discretion. Quitting or being removed from the hip hop team will result in the team member not being allowed to re-audition next year.

Dress Out

Hip Hop team members must always be dressed out appropriately for dance class. This includes team t-shirt, black team warm-ups or hip hop pants and black hip hop sneakers or shoes. Hip Hop team members must always have their hair worn properly for dance class. Hip Hop team members will not wear street shoes onto the dance floors at the studio. Hip Hop team members will not wear their hip hop sneakers outside the studio.

Parent Support

It is necessary that we have parental involvement. Without parental support, our team cannot be successful. Parents will be asked to be sure of their child's attendance. Parents are invited to attend all workshops and competitions. Parents will become part of the fundraising committee. This committee will determine all fundraising activities. Parents of hip hop team members are to be supportive and positive with all dancers here at the dance studio at all times.

Workshops and Competitions

Hip Hop team members will attend at least one hip hop workshop in the Fall.

Hip hop team members will attend all competitions. (February and or March).

Hip Hop team members will perform in all local events and appearances.

Hip Hop team members will attend all in-studio, finale, tech and dress rehearsals for recital.

Hip Hop team members will attend all rehearsals and Nationals next summer (June).

**All That Dance
Hip Hop Team Application**

Name: _____ **Phone** _____

Address: _____

Parent's Name(s): _____

Phone Number(s) _____
(Home) (Work) (Cell)

Email _____ @ _____
(Please indicate an email that you check regularly as this is our main contact)

School _____ **Age** _____ **Grade** _____ (now)

How long have you taken Hip Hop? _____ **Other classes?** _____

What would you like for the hip hop team to accomplish this year?

Why do you want to be on the hip hop team?

I HAVE READ THE POLICIES REGARDING HIP HOP TEAM, AND I UNDERSTAND THE COMMITMENT OF TIME AND MONEY THAT IS REQUIRED TO BE A MEMBER OF THE HIP HOP TEAM AT ALL THAT DANCE. I UNDERSTAND THAT IF I DO NOT UPHOLD THE STANDARDS OF HIP HOP TEAM, THAT I MAY BE PLACED AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER OR REMOVED FROM THE TEAM. I UNDERSTAND THAT ALL THAT HIP HOP TEAM IS A PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND I AM TO STAY HEALTHY TO MAINTAIN MY HEALTH FOR MAXIMUM EFFORT IN ALL TEAM CLASSES, REHEARSALS AND PERFORMANCES. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS MY RESPONSIBILITY TO NOTIFY THE HIP HOP TEACHER IMMEDIATELY OF ANY SCHEDULING CONFLICTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

(Signature)

(Print Name)

(Parent Signature)

(Parent Name)