

# Roswell Dance Starz

## Competitive

## Company Information

## 2021-2022



This is in addition to Roswell Dance Starz Company Information and Handbook.

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The Competitive Team is an optional addition to Dance Starz Company members by audition only. Once committed to the team, dancers are required to participate in the scheduled competitions/conventions and keep up technique in their regular scheduled Dance Starz classes. Competition Team rehearsals are Fridays from 5:00-6:30pm.

**Audition Wednesday June 16<sup>th</sup> 4:30-5:30pm**

**Email confirmation due to Competition Team Director by July 1<sup>st</sup>**

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## Philosophy

There is a lot that a dancer can benefit from exposure to conventions and competitions. It's not all about "winning", it's about challenging. Our goal is to bring a healthy competitive spirit to our dancers, inspiring them to push their limits to achieve physical and mental breakthroughs that will increase their range as dancers. We hope to take our dancers' passion for dance to the next level.

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## Technique Classes

Dance Starz technique classes are REQUIRED. This is the dancer's time to receive the technical training required for competition dances. Absences will be reported to Ms. Katie. Attendance must meet the requirements stated in Dance Starz handbook or student may not be permitted to perform at competition or attend convention.

## Rehearsals

All rehearsals are MANDATORY. If you are sick and not contagious, you must come and observe rehearsal. Dancers, who are not in rehearsal, where choreography is being learned, are at risk of not being in that group section. There may be an occasional additional rehearsal scheduled on the weekend if needed, this will be communicated with you in advance so you have time to plan.

## Conventions

Conventions are a great opportunity for dancers to be exposed to various choreographers, meet other local dancers, and even audition for scholarships and awards. They are daylong workshops where dancers take a variety of dance classes. Competition team attends one (1) convention each season.

## Regional Competitions

Competitions give the dancers the opportunity to perform, see other dance companies perform, and receive feedback about our dances. We receive both written and verbal critiques on how our students can improve our dance technique and overall routines. Competitions are not all about "winning"; we are given critiques from renowned members of the dance world, and are given the opportunity to challenge ourselves to improve. All competitions are held over the weekend. It could be a one to three day event, depending on the size of the specific competition. **NO EXEPTIONS WILL BE MADE FOR EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES OR**

**VACATIONS.** The competitions/convention dates will be given in advance, so families have time to plan.

## **Fees and Costs Associated With Competition Team**

**Monthly fees:** Monthly fee of \$68 for residents and non-residents, this covers weekly Friday rehearsals from 5:00-6:30pm. Registration #57124.

### **Solos/Duets**

Solos and duets are an additional fee. \$310/solo which includes approximately 8 hours of choreography and rehearsals. Duets are \$205 per person (\$410 total) for approximately 8 hours of choreography and rehearsals. You may not do a solo/duet if it is your first year on Competition Team. Checks are made out to Roswell Dance Starz or via paypal at [paypal.me/roswelldancestarz](https://paypal.me/roswelldancestarz).

### **Competition and Convention Entry Fees**

**In addition** to monthly fees, competition/convention entry fees will be due, these fees are set by the Competition/Convention event company. These vary per competition. Expect \$50-\$60 per person per group dance entry (each dancer is usually in 2 group dances). Solos are an additional \$105-\$120 depending on the competition. A media fee of \$25 per dancer may be required at a competition to gain access to all professional videos and photos. We attend one (1) convention each year. This is a fun day of master classes, Convention fees normally costs around \$125. Fees are collected approximately two months before the competition/convention date. Entry fees are made out to Roswell Dance Starz or via paypal at [paypal.me/roswelldancestarz](https://paypal.me/roswelldancestarz).

### **Costume Fees \*These are in addition to your Dance Starz costume fees**

We try to use costumes from the dance closet as much as possible. Each costume requires a \$25 rental deposit. This will be returned when the costume is returned in excellent condition. Costumes may also be purchased for group dances. Please expect a \$75.00-\$100 budget per costume/per dance. You will get to keep costumes that are purchased.

## **Additional Information**

### **Dress Code for Rehearsals**

Any style of tight fitting dancewear is permitted. Please no baggy clothing or super short shorts!

### **Attendance Policy**

ALL REHEARSALS REQUIRE MANDATORY ATTENDANCE.

Attendance must meet the requirements stated in Dance Starz handbook or student may not be permitted to perform at competition or attend convention. If a dancer has missed more than two (2) Competition rehearsals per quarter, they may be placed on probation and pulled from Competition routines.

## **Dancer Responsibilities at Competitions**

- Do your best to be there to support ALL company pieces. The more of a cheering section we have, the better.
- Be on your best behavior, which means no roaming around or horsing around the venue. Most competition venues are open to the public, in order to remain safe and orderly, please stay with your company members or parents.
- Be courteous to other dancers in the dressing rooms and while they are on stage. Don't be afraid to tell other studios "good job".
- Be courteous to backstage managers. We will make sure all dancers are backstage a few numbers prior to their dance.
- Dancers MUST arrive at designated call time, which will be given in a handout closer to the time of the competition.
- Have all make-up and hair items for touchups, all necessary costumes, and accessories. BRING EXTRA TIGHTS ALWAYS AND DOUBLE CHECK ALL COSTUMES!
- Dancers should wear a Dance Starz shirt to show support for your company, and to identify ourselves as a team.

## **2021-2022 Tentative Competition/Convention Dates**

Dates will be announced in the fall!

*\*Please note: exact schedule will not be released until 10 days prior to the Competition.*

\*Our studio space cannot be used for outside choreographers, without permission. This is a liability issue.

Please contact [KOverbach@roswellgov.com](mailto:KOverbach@roswellgov.com) with questions.

## **Rehearsal Times**

**Team rehearsals are Fridays from 5:00-6:30pm**

### **Dance Re Blocking Fee**

**If a dancer will be missing a mandatory performance, a \$50 re blocking fee/per dance will be applied. (This does NOT include injury/illness/family emergency).**