

KEEPING IN Step AT THE ELITE DANCE ACADEMY

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NEWS AND INFORMATION
FOR PARENTS & STUDENTS

September 2015

2015 -2016 STAFF

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WELCOME

The staff & management would like to extend warm greetings to both old and new families whose children are participating this year. We will do our best to be worthy of the confidence you have shown in us by enrolling at the Elite Dance Academy.

CLASSROOM RULES

1. Dress properly for class, including having all hair pulled back up and away from the face.
2. Food & drinks are allowed in the dressing room only. No eating, drinking or smoking in the reception area.
3. No chewing gum, water bottles or cell phones in class.
4. No heavy jewelry.
5. Be on time, class will start promptly.
6. Write child's name inside of all dance shoes.

PARENT VISITATION

We invite the parents to visit in the classroom during the weeks of Feb 1st (Studio 1 & 2, main studio suite 303) and Feb 8th (Studio 3, Suite 203). *Parents only (no infants or young children please)* are invited to observe their child's entire class. Classroom visitation is not permitted on days other than those scheduled for that purpose. Visitors must remain QUIET during the class session. Please no eating in the dance rooms.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

The studio will be closed only for rare emergencies or severe weather. In the event of bad weather, please visit the home page of our website at.....
www.elitedanceacademy.com.

TUITION

Payment for tuition is due on the first calendar day of each month. Cash or automatic AUTO-PAY is accepted for tuition payments. Costume payments may also be paid via ACH withdrawal. Anyone enrolled last season can just stop by to initial approval for the current year.

AUTO-PAY

HOW IT WORKS....

ACH is an easy way to pay tuition. Bring a voided check with you in September and sign the ACH approval form. Your tuition amount will be deducted on the first of every month directly from your checking account. You will receive an email every month indicating the transaction. The transaction will run for 9 months from Sept. to May. You may choose to include your Nov. costume payment in your Nov ACH charge...just notify the front desk in Sept or Oct.

BENEFITS OF AUTO-PAY:

- * No hassle of monthly check writing.
- * No need to send in your child with an envelope of money.
- * No late charges incurred.
- * No calls or emails regarding late tuition.

FEES

\$10.00 late fee for payments received after the 10th of the month.
\$20.00 fee will be charged for all ACH payments or checks for costumes returned for insufficient funds. More than two NSF payments per dance season will result in cash payments only.

CLASS ABSENCES

Please be sure to call in advance if you are unable to attend class. Make-up classes will be offered only to those students who have given advance notice that they will be unable to attend their regularly scheduled class.

A student may make-up in any class that is level appropriate-equal or lower level only. When arriving for class, please notify the teacher that you are making up a class. Missed classes must be made up within ONE MONTH of the original absence date.

RECITAL DATE

JUNE 5, 2016

Rehearsal May 31st & June 2nd

RECITAL INFO

Recital Costumes

Payment for costumes can be made at any time, but the deadline date is November 21st. This deadline is set by our suppliers and ensures we receive our costumes in advance of picture day. We are notifying you approximately 8 weeks in advance to make budgeting easier for you. Costume payments may be included in the Nov autopay transaction. Please email info@elitedanceacademy.com with the subject line "autopay costume" if you would like to add this to your account.

As always your child's participation in the recital is strictly voluntary but we hope to have nearly 100% of the children involved.

RECITAL COSTUME PRICES

- tot combo classes (\$65)
- all others (\$68)

DANCE BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Call the studio to reserve a date & time.

ELITE E-MAIL

All Elite correspondence will be sent via email from.....

info@elitedanceacademy.com

Please be sure to add us to your safe senders list so we don't end up in your spam folders.



PARKING

Please do not wait for your children in the driveway in front of the studio or line up near the back doors of our Mallard Creek neighbors across the parking lot. Wait in the lined parking spaces provided. The driveway is for moving traffic only and must be kept open at all times. Stopping briefly to drop your children off and driving around the parking lot loop are both ok. Directional arrows are painted on the driveway. Be sure to enter and exit as the arrows indicate so children are dropped off safely near the sidewalks in front of the studio.

Dancers should arrive no more than 10 minutes before their scheduled class and parents must pick them up promptly afterward. Teachers and office staff are not responsible for supervising children for extended periods of time either before or after class.

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Please visit our website for regular updates, schedules and photos. By Oct 15th, anyone preferring not to have their child's picture featured may sign a publicity exclusion form at the front desk.

You may also follow us on FACEBOOK ([facebook.com/edarichboro](https://www.facebook.com/edarichboro)) to be reminded of events and studio updates.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation during this dancing season. We hope you will be satisfied with the programs we offer at our studio.

Please do not hesitate to call or stop in if you have any questions with which we can be of assistance.

NEW TEACHERS FOR 2015-2016

Elite is proud to have the following new teachers as members of our professional staff.

Liz Lyle - Liz graduated cum laude from Eastern University with her BA in Dance. She has been trained in and has experience teaching in ballet, pointe, jazz, hip-hop and modern. Liz has been teaching for over ten years in various studios around the Philadelphia area. She has recently taught guest artist master classes in studios around the Philadelphia area, as well as In Motion Dance Company in NJ and Moravian College. As a member of her collegiate dance team, she participated in the American College Dance Festival in 2009, 2010, and 2011. Her choreography was selected and performed in five of Eastern University's Dance Concerts. Liz is excited to pass on to her dance students a passion for knowledge, training, and love for dance!

Dayna Roon - Dayna started dancing at the age of 5 and hasn't stopped since!! Dayna grew up dancing and competing for Elite Dance Academy. She has studied all genres including tap, jazz, hip hop, ballet and Pom. Dayna graduated from West Chester University with a degree in Nutrition and Dietetics. While at West Chester, Dayna was a member of the WC dance team for four years. She continued competing and participated in the UDA Collegiate Dance Team Nationals in Disney World every year. Her hard working and successful Dance Team was ranked 5th in pom and 8th in hip hop nationally. Dayna is excited to be back teaching at Elite where her love for dance all started!

Angelica Spilis - Angelica Spilis attended Temple University in the Boyer College of Music and Dance where she received her BFA (2012) and MA (2015) degree in dance. For her Bachelors in Fine Arts program she concentrated in Jazz and Modern dance. Angelica has taught at many dance studios in the Philadelphia area and performed for numerous dance companies. She has also choreographed dances that were featured at Temple University and choreographed for many dance competitions in Philadelphia and New Jersey. Angelica has also performed in the Philadelphia Fringe Festival.

We are very happy to have Liz, Dayna and Angelica join our team of talented instructors and welcome them both to our Elite family

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RECENT NEWS

SUMMER CAMP

Thank you to all of our summer camp participants. We had a great turn out this year for all the different sessions, including Pop Starz camp, Princess camp, Dance camp and two weeks of Technique/Ballet Intensive camps. It was an exciting summer with lots of activity at the studio!!!

COMPETITION

The final round of competition for the 2014-2015 season was Nationals, held at the Wildwood Convention Center in NJ. Elite took 65 routines to the National competition this year and all dancers made us proud. The effort and energy of everybody was contagious! The competition was fierce, but we came out on top with Senior Tap, "Fuego" placing 1st in the Xtremem Challenge and Junior Tap, "Daft Punk" winning the 12 & under XCalibur Award, which is the highest scoring routine of the week of all 12 and under routines.

Congratulations to all the dancers for doing a fantastic job and to the SIX Elite numbers making it to the final Xtreme Challenge; senior tap, "Fuego", junior tap line, "Daft Punk", teen hip hop, "Romeo & Juliet", junior hip hop "Boss", senior jazz "Robotboy" and teen jazz, "Revolt". It was a very exciting evening with many team members and parents there to cheer on our groups.

Congratulations to the dancers in these groups for an awesome achievement and to Miss Jill Daly for winning the tap excellence award and to Mr Matt Thomas for winning the entertainment award.

Specialty number overall highlights include:

Junior Title

Miss Dance Xplosion - Ava Camarero, Tap solo, "Just A Girl"

Junior Division - Overall Placements

1st Place Lyrical Duet - Ava Camarero & Nick Camarero

Teen Title

Mr. Dance Xplosion - Nick Camarero, Jazz solo, "Battle For The Beat"

Teen Division - Overall Placements

1st Place Tap Trio -Samantha Gottlieb, Lauren Brockman, Corrin Lucotch

3rd Place Tap Solo - Samantha Gottlieb

4th Place Jazz Solo - Julie Montague

4th Place Tap Trio - Lily Haimes, Maria Prato, Amanda Hyman

17th Place Lyrical Solo - Fernanda Marques

Senior Division - Overall Placements

3rd Place Tap Solo - Lauren Brockman

4th Place Tap Solo - Taylor Lucotch

8th Place Tap Duet - Taylor Lucotch & Grace Soufleris

9th Place Tap Solo - Grace Soufleris

11th Place Lyrical Solo - Jessica Epstein

16th Place Jazz Solo - Ally Adragna

18th Place Tap Solo - Rachel Epstein

New Elite Clothing Items Arriving Soon

Summary of Dates & Fees

Fall Classes BeganMon. Sept. 8th
 Monthly TuitionDue first class of the month
 Late Tuition Charge\$10.00
 NSF ACH/Check Return Fee.....\$20.00
 Costume Payment Deadline.....Sat. Nov. 21st

Parent Visitation.....(Studio 1, 2,) week of Feb 1st
(Studio 3) week of Feb 8th

ALL PAYMENTS ARE FINAL. NO REFUNDS.