

DANCE WITH JOY

Class Attire & Shoe Suggestions

A guide—not a required shopping list

These items and links are suggestions only; exact products and brands are not required. Please choose comfortable, modest clothing that allows free movement and lets the teacher see alignment.

Sensory comfort matters: If your child has sensitive skin or needs different clothing to feel comfortable, please choose what works best for them. Dance attire is not always the most comfortable, and we never want clothing to be the reason a child does not want to dance.

Studio-wide guidelines

- Choose solid colors whenever possible and label every shoe and personal item.
- Hair should be secured away from the dancer's face.
- Tights are optional unless your dancer prefers them or the weather is cold. If worn, please choose [convertible/transition tights](#).
- Shorts should provide comfortable, modest coverage through every movement.

Please avoid

No tutus, wrap skirts, street clothes, oversized clothing, large prints or logos, or distracting jewelry. Please do not purchase ballet shoes with drawstrings/shoelaces or tap shoes with shoelaces.

Suggested shopping examples

Tap any underlined item in this PDF to open an example. Similar items from any retailer are welcome.

Girls' attire	Boys' attire
Pink split-sole ballet slippers	Solid V-neck shirt
Black Velcro tap shoes	Fitted black shorts
Black jazz shoes	Black joggers
Convertible/transition tights	Black ballet slippers
Solid leotard	Black elastic tap shoes
Leotard with attached skirt	Black jazz shoes
Short unitard / leotard-short combo	
Biker shorts	
Jazz pants	

Class-by-class suggestions

Creative Ballet 1 & 2

Attire: Girls: leotard with an attached skirt, short unitard, or leotard with fitted shorts. Boys: solid T-shirt with fitted black bottoms.

Shoes: Pink or black ballet slippers are welcome, but dancers are also completely fine to participate barefoot.

Pre Ballet 3

Attire: Girls: leotard with an attached skirt, short unitard, or leotard with fitted shorts. Boys: solid T-shirt with fitted black bottoms.

Shoes: Girls: pink ballet slippers. Boys: black ballet slippers.

Ballet/Jazz

Attire: Girls: leotard with an attached skirt, short unitard, or leotard with fitted shorts. Boys: solid T-shirt with fitted black bottoms.

Shoes: Girls: pink ballet slippers. Boys: black ballet slippers.

Tap/Jazz

Attire: Girls: leotard with an attached skirt, short unitard, or leotard with fitted shorts. Boys: solid T-shirt with fitted black bottoms.

Shoes: Black Velcro or elastic tap shoes. Jazz shoes are not currently required.

Ballet 1

Attire: Girls: leotard with an attached skirt or fitted shorts. Boys: solid T-shirt with fitted black bottoms.

Shoes: Girls: pink ballet slippers. Boys: black ballet slippers.

Broadway Dance

Attire: Girls: solid leotard with modest biker shorts or jazz pants. Boys: solid T-shirt with fitted black bottoms.

Shoes: Black slip-on jazz shoes.

Musical Theater

Attire: Girls: leotard with jazz pants or modest shorts. Boys: solid T-shirt with fitted black bottoms. Please wear dancewear rather than street clothes.

Shoes: Black slip-on jazz shoes.

Adaptive Dance

Attire: Comfortable, movement-friendly clothing. Sensory comfort comes first.

Shoes: Choose secure footwear based on your dancer's needs, or ask the teacher if you are unsure.