



COMPETITION TEAMS & HIP HOP CREWS AUDITIONS 2024-2025

Competition Team Auditions Wednesday, May 22nd: (AGES 9+)

Pre-Comp ages 7-9: 4:15pm – 5:15pm

Ages 9+: 5:30pm – 6:45pm

Ages 12+: 7:00pm – 8:15pm

Hip Hop Crew Auditions Thursdays, May 23rd: (AGES 8+)

Ages 8-11: 5:30pm – 6:30pm

Ages 12+: 6:45pm – 7:45pm

**Students must be age listed above by December 2024. The group each student audition with will not affect or determine team placement.*

How do I register my child for Auditions: Please email the studio at livelovedancestudio@yahoo.com to register your child. There is a \$15/student audition fee for ALL dancers auditioning for Competition Team and Hip Hop Crew. Once you register by email, the charge will be added to your online account. Cash, Check or Card accepted.

Please read the following important information:

Competition Teams:

What is the Live, Love, Dance Studio Competition Team and what is required to be on it?: The LLDS Competition Team is a highly selective dance company that allows the serious dancer to have more performance opportunities, be part of a fun, yet challenging team and compete to receive judges opinions/views. Competition dancers must make a serious commitment to attending ALL classes and performances.

Required Summer: Competition Team Students must participate in our 6-week competition team technical classes.

Required 9-month Dance Season: Competition Team Students must be enrolled in core classes of Level Ballet, Jazz Technique Turns & Leaps, Jazz and/or Tap. Other optional classes are highly recommended. Required classes may differ by Team. Tuition is based on number of classes taken and will vary. We encourage Competition Team students to participate in multiple classes, therefore large discounts are offered. Costume fees will vary. Competition fees are billed per competition at approx. \$60-\$80/dancer/dance. They will perform in our Competition Showcase on Saturday, February 8th, 2025 as well as 2-3 competitions. These performances are mandatory.

Hip Hop Crews:

What is the Live, Love, Dance Studio Hip Hop Crew and what is required to be on it?: Our Hip Hop Crews offer students a great way to be part of a team with not as much commitment as being on the Competition Team. Students must commit to working hard and being a team player!

Required Summer: Members must take their required Summer classes. Typically 1 or 2 classes are offered per summer. This is NOT a full schedule of weekly classes. It is low commitment.

Required 9-month Dance Season: Hip Hop Crew students must take at least 2 additional dance class each week. Students must make a serious commitment to the Crew. They will perform in our Competition Showcase on Saturday, February 8th, 2025 as well as 2-3 competitions. These performances are mandatory.

Crew Class Tuition: add \$60 onto your regular monthly tuition. Costume fee of \$100.00. May or may not include sneakers.

**Tuition payments and fees must be paid regularly, or students may not be able to participate in classes/performances.*

What will happen at the audition?: For both Comp and Crew auditions, students will be led in a stretch, progressions across the floor and then be taught a short dance combination. Students will audition in small groups selected by our judges and teachers.

Students will be judged on level of technique, expressions, confidence and stage presence as well as how quickly they learn material and if they pay attention to the choreographer's details. Students' past classroom behavior, sportsmanship and attendance records are also reviewed. Accepted dancers will be placed on teams based on technique level/skill and age. Students are not placed on teams based off parent opinions or wishes. The auditions are closed to parents. We have teams for beginning, intermediate and advanced technical dancers. All are welcome to audition. If your dancer does not make the team, we will help you make a personalized plan for your student for the upcoming year.

What should I wear to the audition?: Please come looking your best for auditions!

Competition Team: please wear dance attire - pink or tan tights, black leotard, and hair in a bun or ponytail. Black dance shorts worn over leotard and tights is acceptable. Please bring all dance shoes to the audition in a dance bag.

Hip Hop Crew: Black leggings/pants with a leotard or fitted tank top and hip hop sneakers are acceptable. Hair pulled up into a ponytail. No baggy clothing or midriffs showing, please.

If I make the team, what is expected of all Competition Team & Hip Hop Crew

members?: This is a very serious commitment for a dancer, just as serious as any other school sport, play, or activity. Excessive absences through-out the year will not be allowed. Negative attitudes and poor sportsmanship will not be tolerated. Students with outstanding balances on their accounts will not be able to continue in classes or performances.

Attendance in all classes is closely monitored. Students on our Competitive Teams or Crews are not allowed to be members of other dance studio competitive or performance teams.

What is the typical yearly schedule for a Competition Team and Hip Hop Crew member?:

Fall: Possibly attend a one-day local dance convention or held in-studio.

Winter: Competition Showcase February 8th, 2025.

Spring: Perform in benefit dance shows and at least 2-3 Dance Competitions (typically not more than 2 hours away). Will require that student keeps entire weekend open. Schedule for competitions are released in September. Also, group dances will perform in the yearly dance recital. *Not all comp/crew dances will be in each recital.

Late Spring: Competition Teams Prep for recital opening and/or closing dance numbers!

Summer: Competition Team Members must enroll in our 6-week Summer class sessions at the studio (Classes are on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday evenings over the Summer). Workshops are also offered! Hip Hop Crew will have 1 class to attend this summer. Attendance at this class will help determine special opportunities with-in the team. Class day/time is tba.

* Please note: The Competition Teams & Hip Hop Crews are sometimes asked to participate in other community performance events throughout the year.

*Teams and Crews may have extra social events such as Secret Santa and Fundraisers!

*All our Competitive Team and Hip Hop Crew students and their families qualify to attend Family Team Trips to places such as Disney World or NYC based on trip availability!

When do I find out if I made the Competition Team or Crew? :

All information will be EMAILED to you within a week after auditions. Students will receive their Summer Schedule & Fall Schedule information then, as well.