



CREATIVE DANCE INFORMATION

Creative Dance classes are a great way for young children to have fun, socialize, stretch their imaginations, discover new ways to express themselves, and to start building a foundation for what it means to dance. These classes use dancing, props, stories, make-believe, singing, and much more to keep children engaged, learning, and eager to come to Dance Xplosion each week. Your child is sure to have a blast!!

In order for your child's Creative Dance class to be a complete success, here are some important things to remember:

1. Before your child's first class bring them by the studio to look at their classroom. This will help familiarize them with the space so they are not as nervous on their first day.
2. Please arrive 5-10 minutes before class starts and go to the bathroom before class begins. Please have your child "try" even if they say they do not need to go at that time.
3. Dress your dancer in her/his ballet shoes to enter the classroom. Each dancer should hold their tap shoes as they enter and the teacher will show them how to place their tap shoes "by the red wall." All dance bags should be left outside of the room on the bag shelves. PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOUR CHILD'S FULL NAME IS WRITTEN IN ALL SHOES!! The teachers will help the students change shoes half-way through class.
4. Parents should walk students inside Dance Xplosion and must wait until students have entered the classroom before they leave. You are free to leave during class time. All Parents must come inside the studio at pick-up time.
5. Children should wait to enter the dance room until the teacher invites them in for class.
6. Parents are welcome to observe through the observation windows, but please do not enter the classroom unless asked to do so by an instructor. People going in and out of the classroom is very distracting at this age. Please be respectful of this!
7. Arrive with enough time to be ready for class ON TIME. Children this age are often very thrown-off and hesitant to join the group when they arrive late to class. If you do happen to be late, please watch through the observation window and have your child enter class during a pause between songs/activities.
8. Separation Anxiety – We know it is hard to leave your child if they are upset, and it is normal for them to be nervous at a new place with new people, but please give them a quick hug and walk to where they cannot see you. We will comfort them and will work to have them smiling in no time. Usually children won't react this way anymore after a few fun classes. If a child is still having trouble adjusting after 3-4 classes, we can work together to develop a plan that is in the best interest of your child.

9. Last, but not least... Sit back, relax, and watch your child have tons of fun!!