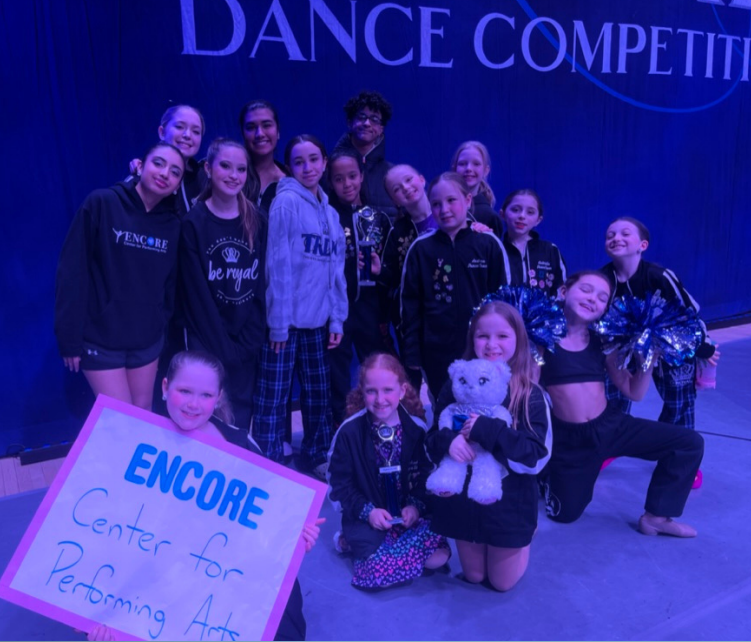


SEASON 3



2024-2025

ADVANCED DANCE PROGRAMS HANDBOOK

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1. *WELCOME TO ENCORE!*

At Encore Center for Performing Arts we believe in giving students the gift of performing arts. We strive to give students all the necessary tools to succeed as performing artists and all around individuals. Our students are not only taught skills but taught to encourage each other, foster friendships and build confidence to last them a lifetime. Whether students wish to pursue dancing, singing or acting, we have the necessary means for all!

Entertainment

No Limitations

Creativity

Opportunity

Resilience

Exceptional Experiences

2. ABOUT OUR ADVANCED DANCE PROGRAMS

Encore's advanced programs are designed for dedicated young dancers who want to refine their skills and explore their passion.

Our supportive environment fosters growth and motivation, while the program structure provides a clear path for dancers to excel.

**Elevate & Electric Apprentice Programs
(Ages 5-7)**

Epic Hip Hop League (Ages 7-9 & Ages 10+)

Mini Echo Competitive Team (Ages 6-7)

Echo Competitive Team (Ages 7-9)

Junior Elite Competitive Team (Ages 9-11)

Elite Competitive Team (Ages 12-16)

3. ELECTRIC & ELEVATE APPRENTICE PROGRAMS (AGES 5-7)

Encore's Electric & Elevate are the two apprentice programs offered at ECPA. Dancers train 1 hour per week in ballet, tap and jazz getting experience and practice with three different styles of dancing. They work on technique exercises, performance quality and all around fun with their peers! Dancers who are a part of Electric & Elevate participate in the Holiday Benefit Gala, (Jazz) end of year recital (Tap) and iHeart Dance Showcase.(Ballet)

* By teacher recommendation*

2024-2025 SCHEDULE:

Elevate Apprentice (Ages 5-6)

Tuesdays 4:30-5:30

Electric Apprentice (Ages 6-7)

Wednesdays 4:30-5:30

Dress code: Solid black leotard and blue skirt. (skirt provided to dancers by ECPA)

4. EPIC HIP HOP LEAGUE (AGES 7+)

Level up your Hip Hop!

The Epic Hip Hop League dives deep into the world of Hip Hop, helping dancers refine their technique and explore diverse styles. Build lasting friendships while mastering the skills to take the stage and compete in 3 Regional Competitions.

By Audition Only

2024-2025 CLASS REQUIREMENTS:

Hip Hop Recital Class

any class on schedule age & level appropriate

(Recommended- Hip Hop II- Wednesdays 6:30-7:30)

League Rehearsal

Ages 7-9 Wednesday 5:30-6:30

Ages 10+ Wednesday 7:30-8:30

5. MINI ECHO COMPETITIVE TEAM (AGES 6-7)

Calling all energetic dancers ages [Ages 6-7]! Want a taste of the exciting world of dance competitions? Our Mini Echo program offers a fun, once-a-week class training in ballet & jazz, where you'll learn the ropes of competition dance and shine onstage.

Additional Performance opportunities: Showcase your talent at the Holiday Gala, end-of-year recital, and throughout the year.

2024-2025 REQUIREMENTS

Class Requirements:

- 1.5 Hour a week in ballet/jazz & rehearsal.

Choreography Requirements:

- 1 Small Group Dance

Competition Requirements

- 3 Required Regional Competitions

By Invitation only

6. ECHO COMPETITIVE DANCE TEAM

(AGES 7-9)

Elevate your performance with Encore's Echo, our advanced competitive team. Dancers train twice weekly, honing technique in ballet, jazz and lyrical. Dancers master musicality, develop performance skills, and gain valuable competition experience.

Echo Highlights:

- 2 days a week of required classes : Sharpen technique across various styles like ballet, jazz & lyrical.
- Participate in 3 regional competitions with small groups, alongside our Elite team.
- Performance opportunities: Showcase your talent at the Holiday Gala, end-of-year recital, and throughout the year.

Ready to take your dance to the next level? Join Encore's Echo!

By Audition Only

2024-2025 REQUIREMENTS

Class Requirements:

Required:

- 1hr Ballet (Tuesdays 5:30-6:30)
- 1hr Lyrical (Thursday 4:30-5:30)
- 1hr Jazz (Thursday 5:30-6:30)
- 1.5 Hour Rehearsal (Tuesday 4:30-5:30) & (6:30-7:00.)

Suggested :

- 1 additional hour of Ballet (Friday 4:30-5:30)
- Additional 1 hour class of any style
- Stretch Leap & Turn (Fridays 5:30-6:30)

Choreography Requirements:

Year 1 Echo

- 2 Small Group Dances
- 1 Large Group Dance

Year 2 Echo

- 2 Small Group Dances
- 1 Large Group Dance
- Optional 1 Additional Dance (solo/duo or trio)

Competition Requirements

- 3 Required Regional Competitions
- 1 Optional Regional Competition
- Optional National Competition

7. JUNIOR ELITE COMPETITIVE TEAM

(AGES 9-11)

Encore's Junior Elite is our advanced level competitive dance team for young dancers. These dancers train 3 days per week taking classes of all styles. Dancers work on strengthening technique, mastering musicality and gaining knowledge and skill on all around performance qualities. Dancers will compete regionally in small groups, large groups, duos, trios and solo performances. Encore's Elite also performs in the Holiday Benefit Gala, end of year recital and showcases throughout the year.

By Audition Only

Class Requirements:

Required:

2hr Ballet (Tuesdays 5:30-6:30) & (Friday 4:30-5:30)

1hr Lyrical (Wednesday 5:30-6:30)

1hr Jazz (Tuesday 4:30-5:30)

1hr Stretch, Leap, Turn & Technique (Fridays 5:30-6:30)

1.5 Hour Rehearsal (Tuesday 5:30-6:30) & (6:30-7:00.)

Choreography Requirements:

2 Small Group Dances

1 Large Group Dance

Suggested/Optional:

Additional Solos/Duos/Trios

(Final number of additional dances will be decided by Competition Directors/teachers)

Competition Requirements

- 3 Required Regional Competitions
- 2 Optional Regional Competitions
- 1 Optional National Competition

8. ELITE COMPETITIVE TEAM

(AGES 12-16)

Encore's Elite is our advanced level competitive dance team in which dancers train 3 days per week taking classes of all styles. Dancers work on strengthening technique, mastering musicality and gaining knowledge and skill on all around performance qualities. Dancers will compete regionally in small groups, large groups, duos, trios and solo performances. Encore's Elite also performs in the Holiday Benefit Gala, end of year recital and showcases throughout the year.

By Audition Only

Class Requirements:

Required:

- 2hr Ballet (Wednesdays & Friday)
- 1hr Lyrical (Friday)
- 1hr Jazz (Wednesday)
- 1hr Stretch, Leap, Turn & Technique (Fridays 7:30-8:30)
- 2 Hour Rehearsal (Tuesday 6:30-8:30)

Additional Suggested classes:

- Hip Hop
- Musical Theatre Heels
- Jazz Funk
- National Dance Honor Society
- Tap
- Pre-Pointe

Choreography Requirements:

- 2 Small Group Dances
- 2 Large Group Dances

Suggested/Optional:

- Additional Solos/Duos/Trios
(Final number of additional dances will be decided by Competition Directors/teachers)

Competition Requirements

- 3 Required Regional Competitions
- 2 Optional Regional Competitions
- 1 Optional National Competition

9. IMPORTANT DATES FOR ADVANCED PROGRAMS

July 2023	August 2023	September 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summer Intensive Payment Due • Summer Fee Due • The Royal Dance Competition Nationals! • Totally Technique Dance Intensive • Contemporary & Composition Dance Intensive 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dance Fusion Intensive • Competition Choreography taught throughout the month. (specific days tbd) • Parent Meeting (specific day tbd) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday, September 8th- First Day of 24-25 Season • Wednesday, September 11th- dancers receive makeup, earrings and new dancers receive warm ups. • First Week of classes- AP Dancers Measured for all costumes.
October 2023	November 2023	December 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Week of October 14th- Dancers receive Holiday Gala Costumes • Dance Team Fundraising 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wreath Sale Begins • Saturday, November 2nd- Dance Convention • November 15th- Optional Jan. Competition Fee DUE. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday, December 1st- Frosty Day Parade • Sunday, December 15th (Location TBD SOON) - Winter Benefit Gala • December 15th- February Competition Fee DUE. • Winter Break.
January 2023	February 2023	March 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January 15th- March Competition Fee DUE. • First Optional Competition. (Details TBD) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • February 15th- April Competition Fee DUE. • Second Competition (Details TBD) • Week of Feb, 9th- iHeart Dance Performances • February Break 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 15th- May Competition Fee DUE. • Third Competition (Details TBD)
April 2023	May 2023	June 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fourth Competition. (Details TBD) • Spring Break 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fifth Optional Competition. (Details TBD) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Week of June 16th- (2 days of Dress Rehearsal, specific days TBD) • Saturday, June 21st- Third Annual Spring Dance Recital (Required for ALL Advanced Programs) • Nationals (JULY) (Optional for Elite & Echo)

10. ELECTRIC, ELEVATE, EPIC , MINI ECHO, & ECHO PRICING

Program Name:	Elevate Apprentice	Electric Apprentice	Epic Hip Hop League	MINI Echo Team (<i>NEW this season!</i>) (Ages 6-7)	Echo Team
Yearly Tuition	\$1,350	\$1,350	\$2,650	\$2,100	\$4,400
Monthly	\$135	\$135	\$265	\$210	\$440
Pay in Full Discount	\$1,215	\$1,215	\$2,385	\$1,890	\$3,960
Hours/ Classes per week	1	1	2	1.5	4.5 (required)
# of Costumes & Tights	2 TOTAL 1 Recital Costumes 1 Holiday Costume	2 TOTAL 1 Recital Costumes 1 Holiday Costume	3 TOTAL 1 Recital Costumes 1 Competition Costume 1 Holiday Costume	3 TOTAL 1 Recital Costume 1 Competition Costume 1 Holiday Costume	7 TOTAL 3 Recital Costumes 3 Competition Costumes 1 Holiday Costume
Competition Makeup			✓	✓	✓
Competition Earrings			✓	✓	✓
Encore's Entourage Membership Perks & Events	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Recital Video & TShirt (<i>NEW this season!</i>)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Welcome Gift Bag	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Echo dancers who take more than 7 classes are eligible for the unlimited tuition option. (see next page)

Additional Fees:

- Summer Fee (see below)
- Competition Entry Fees (Echo, Mini Echo and Epic only)
- Warm up Suit (\$95) (Required for Echo, Epic & Mini Echo)
- Solo, Duo, Trio Costumes (if applicable)
- Private Lesson Fees (if applicable)
- Tickets to end of year recital & Winter Gala.
- Professional photographer portraits (optional)

11. ELITE & JR. ELITE PRICING

Our Elite & Junior Elite Dance team pricing is listed below. All dancers who take more than 7 classes are eligible for the unlimited tuition option. “National Dance Honor Society” is not included in the unlimited tuition and is an additional \$50 per month)

<i>Package:</i>	<i>Standard</i>	<i>Unlimited</i>
Yearly Tuition	\$4,900	\$6,000
Monthly	\$490	\$600
Pay in Full Discount	\$4,410	\$5,400
Hours/ Classes per week	7	Unlimited Classes (8 or more classes) *Does not include National Dance Honor Society*
# of Costumes & Tights	3 Recital Costumes 4 Competition Group Costumes 1 Holiday Costume	All Recital Costumes 4 Competition Group Costumes 1 Holiday Costume
Competition Makeup	✓	✓
Competition Earrings	✓	✓
Encore's Entourage Membership Perks & Events	✓	✓
Welcome Gift Bag	✓	✓
Recital Video & TShirt (NEW this season!)	✓	✓

Additional Fees:

- Competition Entry Fees
- Warm up Suit (\$95) (new members)
- Solo, Duo, Trio Costumes (if applicable)
- Private Lesson Fees (if applicable)
- Tickets to end of year recital & Winter Gala.
- Professional photographer portraits (optional)
- National Dance Honor Society (\$50 per month) (optional)

12. PRIVATE SOLO, DUO & TRIO LESSONS

Private lessons are required for all dancers with a duo, trio or solo competition number.

Private Lessons are billed based on whichever package you choose.

please note that packages will be automatically renewed unless communicated with

See private lesson packaging options below:

Solo:

Individual: \$40 per 30 minutes

5 Pack: \$190

10 Pack: \$360

20 Pack: \$640

Duo:

Individual Per dancer: \$20 per 30 minutes

5 Pack: \$95

10 Pack: \$180

20 Pack: \$320

Trio:

Individual Per Dancer: \$15 per 30 minutes

5 Pack: \$70

10 Pack: \$135

20 Pack: \$240

13. REQUIRED EVENTS VS. OPTIONAL EVENTS

We want to make it very clear we understand that commitment levels vary for all dancers and families due to scheduling, finances etc.

We want to give all our students the opportunity to be apart of our Advanced Programs which is why we have the required vs optional events.

Our goal is to accommodate our students and their families by providing them access to additional performances to aid their growth. If your dancer is interested and families can make it work, these options will be provided.

Once again, these additional opportunities are not required.

Below you will find the requirements and optional for each advanced program:

Elite Dance Team

Requirements:

- 2 Weeklong Summer Intensives
- Competition Prep Days (August)
- Team Bonding
- Frosty Day Parade (Perform & to March in)
- Winter Benefit Gala
- IHEART Dance Showcase
- 2 Small Group Competition Dances
- 2 Large Group Competition Dances
- February Competition
- March Competition
- April Competition
- Dance Recital (all shows in recital)
- November Dance Convention

Optional:

- Additional Solos, Duos, Trios & Group Dances.
- January Dance Competition
- May Dance Competition
- Summer 2024 National Competition (Solos, Duos & Trios AND/OR Groups ONLY if all would like to)

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Junior Elite Dance Team

Requirements:

- 2 Weeklong Summer Intensives
- Competition Prep Weeks (August)
- Team Bonding
- Frosty Day Parade (Perform & to March in)
- Winter Benefit Gala
- IHEART Dance Showcase
- 2 Small Group Competition Dances
- 1 Large Group Competition Dance
- February Competition
- March Competition
- April Competition
- Dance Recital (all shows in recital)

Optional:

- Additional Solos, Duos, Trios & Group Dances.
- November Dance Convention
- January Dance Competition
- May Dance Competition
- Summer 2024 National Competition (Solos, Duos & Trios AND/OR Groups ONLY if all would like to)

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Echo Dance Team

Requirements:

- 2 Summer Intensives
- Competition Prep Weeks (August)
- Team Bonding
- Frosty Day Parade (Perform & to March in)
- Winter Benefit Gala
- IHEART Dance Showcase
- 2 Small Group Competition Dances
- 1 Large Group Competition Dance
- February Competition
- March Competition
- April Competition
- Dance Recital (all shows in recital)

Optional:

- Year 2 Echo Members: ONE Additional DANCE to compete.
- November Dance Convention
- May Dance Competition
- Summer 2024 National Competition (Solos, Duos & Trios AND/OR Groups ONLY if all would like to)

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Once again, these additional opportunities are not required.

Below you will find the requirements and optional for each advanced program:

Mini Echo Dance Team

Requirements:

- Two days in August to learn dance
- Team Bonding
- Winter Benefit Gala
- IHEART Dance Showcase
- 1 Small Group Competition Dance
- February Competition
- March Competition
- April Competition
- Dance Recital

Optional:

- November Dance Convention
- Frosty Day Parade to march in

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Once again, these additional opportunities are not required.

Below you will find the requirements and optional for each advanced program:

Epic Hip Hop League

Requirements:

- Requirements: Three days in August to learn Competition Dance
- Team Bonding
- Frosty Day Parade (to March in)
- Winter Benefit Gala
- 1 Small Group Competition Dance
- February Competition
- March Competition
- April Competition
- Dance Recital

Optional:

- November Dance Convention

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Below you will find the requirements and optional for each advanced program:

Electric & Elevate Apprentice

Requirements:

- Winter Benefit Gala
- IHEART Dance Showcase
- Dance Recital

Optional:

- Frosty Day Parade (to March in)

14. WHAT IS A DANCE CONVENTION?

This Fall Encore will get the chance to attend

**The Royal Dance Competition's
Fall Dance Convention.**

***Saturday, November 2nd
Long Island, NY***



A dance convention is a one day event in which dancers can attend dance workshops of various styles, taught by master teachers from across the country. The diverse group of master teachers provide students with the opportunity to learn and grow in a nurturing, high energy environment.

Not only will your dancers benefit from learning from other teachers, but they will also learn WITH other students from all over!

15. WHAT ARE MY ADDITIONAL FEES?

Although tuition is all inclusive and we work to make it a process that is as easy as possible for all of our families, there are additional fees when joining our competitive team. Please see below:

- **Summer Dance Intensives**--Encore is offering *THREE* dance intensives this summer for in replace of our regularly scheduled Summer classes.
- **Summer GROUP DANCE Rehearsals**--Competitive dance team members get a head start on 24-25 season with pre-season Summer Group Dance Rehearsals to learn your routines. A survey will be sent to schedule these rehearsals around your August conflicts, with a separate fee to cover these additional sessions (\$150 for Echo Mini Dancers, \$300 for Elite & Echo & \$250 for Epic Dancers). This early bird prep will boost your choreography knowledge, teamwork, and confidence before the regular season kicks off!
- **Private Lesson Fees**--Dancers who compete in a solo, duo and/or trio will have a weekly 30 minute private lesson. These classes can be paid for by class pack or individually. Class packs will be automatically renewed after the end of the previous pack, unless communicated otherwise. These dancers will get scheduled lessons prior to Sept. as well which are not included in the GROUP summer session fee.
- **Competition Fees**--Dance competitions charge an entry fee per routine. This fee goes directly to the competition organizer and covers the cost of running the event. The total amount you pay depends on how many dances you enter. The total cost depends on entries, with group dances ranging from \$50-\$65, duos/trios \$65-\$90, and solos \$100-\$150. Remember, these are estimates and may vary by competition.
- **Convention Fee**--The dance convention fee, ranging from \$135 to \$185, goes directly to the convention organizer, covers your dancer's entire day of workshops, classes from renowned instructors, performance opportunities, and helps run the event with venue rentals and staff. It's an investment in their dance development and a fun way to experience the dance world!

16. WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE COMPETITION EXPERIENCE?

- **Costume and Music Selection**-- Costume design and musical selection decisions are made solely by Encore Center for Performing Arts Staff. Costumes will be confirmed with the dancer and dancer's family before ordering. Music will also be discussed with the dancer and family before finalizing a song. Options may be given; however, the final decision is made by Encore, as all are a representation of the studio itself.
- **Placement**--By making a request, this does not mean your dancer will automatically be given one of these additional dances. By requesting a duet or trio, you are agreeing to accept the partner and routine selected for you. No changes will be made after announcements are made. Based on your dancer's audition, teacher availability and style of assigned routine, your dancer will be assigned a choreographer and private lesson teacher.
- **Solos, Duos & Trios: (Elite & Echo ONLY)**--If granted a solo, duet, or trio, you would be required to have a 30 min private lesson for each solo, duet, or trio routine you are part of.
- **AWARD CEREMONIES**--Award ceremonies are usually held a few times each day of competitions, and are the MOST FUN time of the weekend! Team Members are required to wear studio branded attire on stage for ALL award ceremonies that they attend. Team Members are required to attend all award ceremonies for the dances that they are a part of, but are also allowed, and often enjoy, to go on stage for other award ceremonies to support their teammates. -
 - Awards are the time to:
 - Hoot and holler (parents AND dancers)
 - Take pictures
 - Sit back and relax!

16. WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE COMPETITION EXPERIENCE?

The most important thing to remember about awards is that ALL scores are the opinions of 3 or 4 judges.

"A dance competition is the way a certain set of judges view a certain set of dancers on a certain day. If we had done this competition yesterday, or if one of the judges had been someone else, chances are the results would in some way be different. It is good that we compete as dancers, because we compete every day in life.

Competitions help to show us where we have been, where we are now, and where we have to aim to go in the future. But it is important to remember that the true worth of anyone, as a dancer or person, will never be measured by a trophy or cash prize.

- Richard DiSarn

17. CLASS ATTIRE-- WHAT TO WEAR?

Students are required to adhere to the class attire outlined for their class. The dress code is required for every class they attend.

All students should have their hair up and out of their face. Hair should be secured and should not need to be restyled during class.

<p>Mini Movers: (Opening Act Program) (18-24 Months)</p> <p><i>Attire:</i> Whatever you and your mover feel is comfortable!</p> <p><i>Shoes:</i> None</p> <p><i>Don'ts:</i> Dangling jewelry, restrictive clothing, socks (can be slippery)</p>	<p>Creative Movement (Act 1 Program) (Ages 3-4) & Tiny Twirls (Opening Act Program) (2 Years):</p> <p><i>Girl's Shoes:</i> Pink ballet shoes.</p> <p><i>Girl's Attire:</i> Solid colored leotard, pink tights.</p> <p><i>Girl's Hair:</i> Neat, pulled back, bun or ponytail.</p> <p><i>Boy's Shoes:</i> Black ballet Shoes:</p> <p><i>Boy's Attire:</i> Black pants or shorts with a white t-shirt.</p>	<p>Hip Hop & Tumble: (Act 1 Program) (Ages 3-4)</p> <p><i>Girl's Shoes:</i> White Nike Air Force Sneakers.</p> <p><i>Girl's Attire:</i> Solid colored leotard and sweatpants.</p> <p><i>Girl's Hair:</i> Neat, pulled back ponytail.</p> <p><i>Boy's Shoes:</i> White Nike Air Force Sneakers.</p> <p><i>Boy's Attire:</i> Solid colored pants or shorts with a solid colored t-shirt.</p>	<p>Jazz & Musical Theatre Dance: (EnCORE Program) (Ages 7-18)</p> <p><i>Girl's Shoes:</i> Caramel jazz shoes (Capezio EJ2C or EJ2)</p> <p><i>Musical Theatre HEELS:</i> <i>Girl's Shoes:</i> Jr. Footlight T-Strap Character Shoe in Tan.</p> <p><i>Girl's Attire:</i> Solid colored leotard & tan tights (footed or stirrup.)</p> <p><i>Girl's Hair:</i> Neat, pulled back, ponytail.</p> <p><i>Boy's Shoes:</i> Black jazz shoes (Capezio EJ2C or EJ2)</p> <p><i>Boy's Attire:</i> Black pants or shorts with a solid colored shirt.</p> <p><i>Boy's Hair:</i> Neat, pulled back.</p>	<p>Tap: (EnCORE Program) (Ages 7-18)</p> <p><i>Girl's Shoes:</i> Fluid tap shoe, black (Capezio CG17C or CG17)</p> <p><i>Girl's Attire:</i> Solid colored leggings and t-shirt or tank.</p> <p><i>Girl's Hair:</i> Neat, pulled back, ponytail.</p> <p><i>Boy's Shoes:</i> Fluid tap shoe, black (Capezio CG17C or CG17)</p> <p><i>Boy's Attire:</i> Black pants or shorts with a solid colored shirt.</p> <p><i>Boy's Hair:</i> Neat, pulled back.</p>	<p>Contemporary & Lyrical: (EnCORE Program) (Ages 7-18)</p> <p><i>Girl's Shoes:</i> FootUndeez (Capezio H07C or H07)</p> <p><i>Girl's Attire:</i> Solid colored leotard & footless tan tights</p> <p><i>Girl's Hair:</i> Neat, pulled back, ponytail.</p> <p><i>Boy's Shoes:</i> None.</p> <p><i>Boy's Attire:</i> Solid colored pants or shorts with a solid colored shirt.</p> <p><i>Boy's Hair:</i> Neat, pulled back.</p>
<p>Ballet/Tap (Act 2 Program) (Ages 5-6)</p> <p><i>Girl's Shoes:</i> Pink ballet shoes. Fluid tap shoe, black (Capezio CG17C or CG17)</p> <p><i>Girl's Attire:</i> Solid colored leotard, pink tights.</p> <p><i>Girl's Hair:</i> Neat, pulled back, bun or ponytail.</p> <p><i>Boy's Shoes:</i> Black ballet shoes. Fluid tap shoe black (Capezio CG17C)</p> <p><i>Boy's Attire:</i> Black pants or shorts with a white t-shirt.</p>	<p>Ballet/Jazz (Act 2 Program) (Ages 5-6)</p> <p><i>Girl's Shoes:</i> Pink ballet shoes. caramel jazz shoes (Capezio EJ2C)</p> <p><i>Girl's Attire:</i> Solid colored leotard, pink tights.</p> <p><i>Girl's Hair:</i> Neat, pulled back, bun or ponytail.</p> <p><i>Boy's Shoes:</i> Black ballet shoes. Black jazz shoes (Capezio EJ2C)</p> <p><i>Boy's Attire:</i> Black pants or shorts with a white t-shirt.</p>	<p>Ballet (EnCORE Program) (Ages 7-18)</p> <p><i>Girl's Shoes:</i> Pink ballet shoes.</p> <p><i>Girl's Attire:</i> Solid colored leotard, pink tights.</p> <p><i>Girl's Hair:</i> Neat, pulled back, bun.</p> <p><i>Boy's Shoes:</i> Black ballet shoes.</p> <p><i>Boy's Attire:</i> Black pants or shorts with a white t-shirt.</p> <p><i>Boy's Hair:</i> Neat, pulled back.</p>	<p>Hip Hop: (Act 2 Program) (Ages 5-6) & (EnCORE Program) (Ages 7-18)</p> <p><i>Girl's Shoes:</i> White Nike Air Force 1.</p> <p><i>Girl's Attire:</i> Any fitted top, leggings or joggers.</p> <p><i>Girl's Hair:</i> Neat, pulled back, ponytail.</p> <p><i>Boy's Shoes:</i> White Nike Air Force 1.</p> <p><i>Boy's Attire:</i> Fitted t-shirt and shorts or joggers.</p> <p><i>Boy's Hair:</i> Neat, pulled back.</p>	<p>Acrobatics: (Act 2 Program) (Ages 5-6) & (EnCORE Program) (Ages 7-18)</p> <p><i>Girls & Boys Shoes:</i> None.</p> <p><i>Girls Attire:</i> Dance or gymnastics leotard and spandex shorts or leggings.</p> <p>Tight fitted top optional.</p> <p><i>Girls Hair:</i> Neat, pulled back, low ponytail.</p> <p><i>Boys Attire:</i> Tucked t-shirt in shorts or pants.</p>	<p>Bravo Broadway Musical Theatre Program, Theatre & Music Studies, Private Voice & Piano:</p> <p><i>Girl's Attire:</i> fitted top, leggings or joggers. ALL BLACK.</p> <p><i>Girl's Hair:</i> Neat, pulled back, ponytail.</p> <p><i>Girl's Shoes:</i> Caramel jazz shoes (Capezio EJ2C or EJ2)</p> <p><i>Boy's Shoes:</i> Black jazz shoes (Capezio EJ2C or EJ2)</p> <p><i>Boy's Attire:</i> Fitted t-shirt and shorts or joggers. ALL BLACK</p> <p><i>Boy's Hair:</i> Neat, pulled back.</p>



17. CLASS ATTIRE-WHAT TO WEAR?

Elite & Echo Team Rehearsals:

All Black Leotard, skin colored tights and black spandex shorts.
Hair sprayed back in a high ponytail.

Mini Echo Class/Rehearsal

All solid colored leotard with black shorts.
Hair sprayed back in a high ponytail.

Epic Team Rehearsals:

All Black T-shirt and joggers or leggings with White Nike AF1 Sneakers.
Hair sprayed back in a high ponytail or for boys, slicked back.

Electric & Elevate Apprentice:

Black Leotard with blue skirt (skirt provided)
Hair pulled away from face.

Ballet: Solid Colored Leotard and skirt. (NO SHORTS/ additional layers)

Jazz: Solid Colored Leotard and shorts.

Lyrical: Solid Colored Leotard and shorts.

No additional layers are permitted in classes, as dancers will get warm right away and it is important for us to see lines.

18. STUDIO POLICIES

PAYMENT DETAILS:

Tuition is broken down to 10 payments, due the first of every month from September-June. Payment will be processed with the credit card we have on file.

It is **required** to have a Credit Card on File for all payment plans.

Seasonal tuition is prorated based on remaining contract length for families who join after the season begins.

Tickets to the annual recital will be available for purchase. Tickets will cost approximately \$25 each.

Tickets for Musical Performances will be available for purchase. Tickets will cost approximately \$25 each.

Tuition is based on the entire season and is billed the first of every month.

If you need to change any payment information you can do that through your parent portal or in the office before the 25th of each month.

If your student wishes to drop from our program, we required 30 Days in advanced notice. If you notify us about your drop less than 30 days before the next month charge, you will still be charged for the next month.

MUSICAL THEATRE POLICY: Encore believes that all students will learn necessary skills while being apart of a theatrical production and no part is any less significant than another. We expect all of our families to support this philosophy. We highly discourage musical theatre students from dropping the program due to unhappiness with their role. Students are expected to commit to the show once they register and audition, therefore if your child drops the program after casting, you will still be charged for the remainder of the semester. This policy does not apply to drops due to emergencies and illnesses.

Musical Theatre Tuition will be charged per session and due on the start of the season. Musical Theatre tuition is no longer eligible for monthly tuition.

Upon registration, there will be a \$50 deposit charged for each class to hold your students spot. (\$50 deposit is per student and is the same regardless of how many classes you register for)

If tuition payment is not received by the 5th of the month, it is considered late, and a late fee of \$25 will be added to your account. If your payment is not received by the 10th of each month, a daily late fee of \$5/day will be added until the payment is received.

MAKE UP CLASSES:

Missed classes may only be made up by prior appointment. If you know you are going to be absent from class, contact us in advance to arrange for a makeup class. No refund will be given for missed classes. Please refer to our studio calendar for vacation & holiday closings. Classes missed due to inclement weather may be made up in a class currently on the schedule or a separate make up class scheduled by ECPA. Cancellations by our staff will have a separate makeup class scheduled. We reserve the right to cancel a class or substitute a teacher as needed.

DISCOUNTS:

10% Sibling discount will be applied to the second, third & fourth sibling.

\$25 referral credit for new students who enroll and list you as their referral family.

10% discount for those who pay their tuition in FULL prior to the start of the season.

TRANSITION TO VIRTUAL CLASSES DUE TO GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS:

If Encore Center must transition to temporary virtual classes to Government restrictions preventing us from meeting in person, tuition fees still apply to full price and will not be refunded if you choose not to attend virtual class.

INCLEMENT WEATHER:

In case of inclement weather we operate on Byram Hills Central School District policy. If Byram Hills Central School District Schools are closed due to inclement weather, the studio will be closed also, unless we inform you otherwise. Classes will either be held via zoom or a makeup class will be scheduled for your children. We do not refund or pro-rate tuition due to inclement weather closings.

DRESS CODE:

Students are required to adhere to the class attire outlined for their class. The dress code is required for every class they attend. All students should have their hair up and out of their face. Hair should be secured and should not need to be restyled during class.

PHOTO & VIDEO:

By registering with Encore Center for Performing Arts, you agree that your child may be videoed or photographed during studio activities, included but not limited to performances, classes, rehearsals and content may appear on the studio website, social media page and other studio advertisements.

COMMUNICATION:

For prompt communication, please reach our teachers through the studio phone 914-730-1122, studio email (info@encorecenterperformingarts.com), or schedule a meeting. We kindly ask that you avoid contacting teachers on their personal devices. Urgent concerns? Contact the studio directly. This supports teacher work-life balance and focused attention for your child.

19. Advanced Programs Policies

- Dancers in Epic, Elite & Echo are required and expected to commit to the entire year of dance classes. If a dancer decides to drop from the competition team, tuition will still be charged for the remainder of the year, unless in the case of an emergency.
- Dancers on any of our Competitive Dance Teams, (Elite, Echo & Epic) are only permitted 4 team rehearsal absences throughout the year. We understand emergencies and illnesses arise so please always communicate with us.
- Punctuality is crucial. Team members must arrive on time and be fully prepared to participate at the designated start time.
- Unexcused absences include, but are not limited to: skipping practices, rehearsals, or performances without a valid reason, or failing to provide timely notification. Excessive unexcused absences may result in disciplinary action.
- For prompt communication, please reach our teachers through the studio phone 914-730-1122, studio email (info@encorecenterperformingarts.com), or schedule a meeting. We kindly ask that you avoid contacting teachers on their personal devices. Urgent concerns? Contact the studio directly. This supports teacher work-life balance and focused attention for your child.
- We expect our advanced program dancers to trust the Artistic Director's choices regarding casting, development, and presentation. Their decisions align with our studio values and benefit everyone involved.
- You'll be entrusted with your complete competition attire, including the costume, dance shoes, and any competition-specific accessories like earrings and headpieces. Remember, these items are vital for a cohesive performance. To ensure a smooth season for everyone, lost or damaged costumes and accessories will be your responsibility to replace. However, costume stock and specific accessories might be limited.
- We foster a positive environment where everyone feels valued. Gossip, bullying, and negativity are not tolerated in any form. We address disrespectful behavior promptly to ensure everyone's enjoyment and growth.
- ECPA IS A DRAMA FREE ZONE. We expect all of our advanced level dancers to set an example for our studio with a positive attitude, sportsmanship and kindness to ALL dancers & performers in the studio.

20. STUDIO CONTACT INFORMATION

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