



Solo / Duo / Trio Information

- If your student is interested in competing a solo, duo, or trio routine at competition this year, this info is for you! Solos / Duos / Trios are a fabulous way for dancers to express themselves on a more personal level with their dancing. Doing this type of routine always helps dancers improve further as this opportunity pushes students out of their comfort zone! We highly encourage those who are interested and serious about their dancing to do a solo, duo or trio! All levels are offered at competitions for beginning - advanced dancers.
- Students who would like to compete a solo, duo or trio are asked to hire a professional choreographer. They are welcome to work with one of our teachers, or someone else as long as they are an experienced choreographer. Students represent our studio at competition and must have quality music, routines, and costumes. Routines should have clean movement and costumes should be age appropriate.
- Solo choreography usually costs approximately \$350.00. Duo/Trio choreography is a bit more, but can be split between two/three students. This is paid directly to the teacher that you decide to work with. This is due in full when you book the first practice. To get in contact with a teacher, please contact Megan for their information. The choreography fee of approx. \$350.00 usually covers about 5 practices total. These practices are to learn the choreography. It is your student's responsibility to record the choreography at the end of each practice and come back completely prepared to continue learning. Many students like to schedule additional practices throughout the year to clean and work on the routine with a teacher. This cost is additional to the choreography fee. Private lessons are approx. \$35.00 per hour + the studio rental fee. Parents should communicate with the choreographer to make sure everyone is on the same page in reference to how many private practices they would like to hold throughout the year. Some teachers only have time to teach choreography, but may not have time for private lessons all year. In this case, other teachers may be available to help.
- Students can choose which style of routine they would like to compete. Choosing a song should be done with the teacher. It is important that both the student and teacher enjoy the song. Teachers are able to cut music for the student and will provide a copy through email to the dancer / parent.
- Studio Rental Fees are paid directly to United Dance Center. To book the building, please go through the teacher/choreographer. They will schedule the building for you. The building rental fees are added up at the end of each month and are charged to accounts for the upcoming month. Email reminders of payments due will be sent out monthly. The rental cost is \$10.00 per use of the building, for up to 2 hours per day. Students are not allowed to rent the building unless a teacher is present. Dancers / Choreographers are welcome to practice at other locations if they prefer.
- Competition Registration fees are approximately \$100.00 for a solo per competition and is paid directly to the competitions. Parents will be responsible to register for competitions. We usually encourage solo/duos/trios to participate at the 3 competitions that we attend as a studio, so the total price ends up being about \$300.00 for registration fees for the competitions. Soloists are welcome to compete at other competitions as long as it doesn't interfere with other United calendar items. Our Studio Directors can help with the registration process when the time comes (usually in September - October.) More information will be sent out to those doing solos/duos/trios.
- Costumes can be purchased for approximately \$60.00+. Our studio directors can help with finding a costume.
- If you are interested in doing a solo, we recommend starting the process this summer! Please email or call Megan to get set up with a choreographer ASAP!
- Please know that at our studio, our teachers and studio directors are happy to help with Solo/Duos/Trios. We help by giving registration information, costuming, etc. as long as we know your student is doing a solo/duo/trio. But please understand that parents and their dancer are responsible to stay on top of their routines with practicing and preparing for competitions! Lots of practicing should be done at home, on your own time. We do not "babysit" those who choose to do solos/duos/trios!