



## Pride of Scotland School of Dance School Policies

*In order to provide consistent expectations and positive learning environment for students, please note the following class policies:*

### **Class Expectations**

#### **Prior to class:**

- Dancers will dress appropriately for class (leotard/tank/t-shirt, dance/gym shorts, hair tied back, knee high socks and highland dance shoes)
- Plan to arrive to class 10-15 min before class to stretch and warm up; dancers novice level and above are expected to do their own stretching and warm up
- Dancers should bring the following to every class: dance shoes, hair ties, dance notebook, water bottle, practice skirt and jig shoes if applicable

#### **During class:**

- Dancers are expected to bring a notebook to every class, and write down corrections
- Class will end on time regardless of when dancers arrive
- Dancers should stay on the platform, and wait for a teacher's permission for a rest or drink break
- Chewing gum, eating, and cell phone use is prohibited
- Dancers and parents may not correct other dancers
- Parents may drop off dancers and wait in the adjacent room
- Parents who would like to watch may quietly observe class, but must reserve questions for break or after class. Parents may not instruct or correct children during class

#### **Outside of class:**

- Dancers should practice at home at least 30 min twice a week
- All dancers and families will act with courtesy and respect towards all other students, families, and professionals involved in highland dance (in accordance with the ScotDance Canada Code of Ethics). Failure to do so may result in removal from the classes, in which case no refund will be provided.

**Communication:**

- Teachers can be reached by email, text, or phone, or before or after class; always feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns!
- To respect teachers and their families, please refrain from contacting teachers before 8am or after 10pm

**Tuition:**

- Tuition is paid by semester or monthly
- Dancers must enroll in a minimum of 1 class/week.
- Missed classes may be made up during another class time in the same month only
- If classes are cancelled by the instructor an additional make up class will be provided
- Private lessons are available by teacher approval, and must be in addition to group classes (for local students)
- Teachers for private lessons will vary based on availability
  
- Group rates:
  1. Tartan Tots / Primary - \$10
  2. Bonnie Beginner- \$15
  3. Pre- Premier / Advanced Competitive - \$20
  
- Semiprivate rates:
  1. 1hr - \$25 / student
  
- Private and Skype rates:
  1. 45min - \$25
  2. 1hr - \$30

**Competitive Dancers:**

- Competitive dancers must take one private lesson per month for additional technique upskilling and learning new dances
- For competitive dancers 2 classes/week is **strongly** encouraged
- Competitive dancers should be practicing at least 30 min every other day