

DCSA PACKET 24-25

WELCOME TO



Letter from the Director

Hello Students, Parents, and Caregivers,

Welcome to the Buffalo Dream Center School of the Arts. Thank you for being a part of our up and coming arts programs.

My name is Victoria and I am the Director at the Dream Center School of the Arts. When I was four years-old I took my first dance class and fell in love. Growing up, dance was always apart of my life and I challenged myself to learn many different kinds of dance. As I got older, I noticed there were many things I did not like about the dance world. I did not feel comfortable with many of the music and costume choices. I hated all the pressure and competition that was within the studios. It took up a lot of our family's time.

When I graduated high school, I decided to go to Australia. I attended Hillsong Bible College where I studied dance and helped with their dance studio. I realized that a dance studio could be fun and family-friendly. I then had a dream to return home to Buffalo and start my dream which has become Dream Center School of the Arts.

At Dream Center School of the Arts, we offer many different types of arts, not just dance. My main goal is to make you feel welcome, at home, like family, and comfortable with everything we do. We want you to feel comfortable with all the music and costume choices. We don't want your kids to feel negative pressure, but feel motivated to grow and excel in their talent. We want everyone to have fun!

We will have a showcase every June to show off what your child has learned that year.

Thank you again for choosing the Dream Center School of the arts and welcome to our family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Victoria Shurr". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Victoria Shurr

Tuition Information

Registration fee is \$30 per family. This fee is due at the time of the application.

Piano and Voice students - Payment for binders is due upon application. We need this in advance so we can have your binder ready the first week of classes.

Group class monthly tuition is always \$55 per month. Even during months with breaks or less classes.

Private class monthly tuition is always \$75 per month. Even during months with breaks or less classes.

Tuition will be paid on the first of every month.

**If you do not pay tuition by the 7th there will be \$20 fee*

**If you do not pay tuition by the 10th you will not be able to attend classes until everything is paid*

Costume fee for each class is due March 1st

**This will vary with each class*

Picture Day is in May 3rd

**The photographer will have packages available and will pay the photographer directly*

Showcase Fee due by May 1st - \$50 per family

**This includes two tickets to the show*

You can pay cash, check, or Venmo. Make sure you put "DCSA" in the memo.

Checks should be made out to the Buffalo Dream Center or BDC.

Venmo's username is @Buffalo-DreamCenter.

Cancelation Policy

We will not do make-up classes.

If you decided to take some time off from your private class we cannot hold your spot unless you continue to pay the monthly tuition fee.

If you decided to take some time off from your group class, know this may affect you performing in the showcase. The teacher will keep you informed about this.

Please call or text our DCSA director, Victoria Shurr, at (716) 951-9402 or your teacher if you need to cancel your lesson. We will contact the appropriate staff to inform them of the cancellation. We suggest you exchange contact information with your teacher at the first class.

Refund Policy

DCSA does not offer refunds of any kind.

Student/Parent Policy

Students must show up on time. If you are more than 15 minutes late for a Private Lesson then your lesson is automatically canceled.

Students must be in dress code and with all items necessary for classes.

Students and parents must be respectful to teachers and other families.

You cannot show up more than 10 minutes early for a class.

Practice at home

You must be on time to drop off and pick up. You cannot drop off children more than 10 minutes early for a class.

We cannot watch your children before and after classes. If you plan on leaving we recommend you stay with them until class starts.

You must check your email on a regular basis. This is our main form of communication with updates and information regarding DCSA.

**By signing below you have read and agreed to
all the DCSA Policies above.**

Full legal name of Participant

Signature of Participant (*If under 18, signature of legal guardian*)

Date

Things You Need

CLASSES

BALLET

Leotard any color
Ballet Pink Convertible Tights
Canvas Split Sole Ballet Shoes
Hair in bun

HIP HOP

Comfy Clothes (NO JEANS)
Sneakers
Hair in bun

JUDO

Judo Gi

The best is go buy a Judo Gi:

Amazon: <https://a.co/d/3w3JCNk>

Fuji:

<https://fujisports.com/collections/kids-judo-gis>

If you cannot afford a Judo Gi, gym clothes are acceptable.

TAP

Leotard any color
Ballet Pink Convertible Tights
Black Tap Shoes
Hair in bun

STRETCH CLASS

Comfy Clothes (NO JEANS)
Hair out of face
Yoga mat

Dance Abilities

We understand students have sensory issues and may not want to wear leotards and tights. Please try to be in comfy clothes and hair out of face.

PRIVATE LESSONS

PIANO

\$10 fee for binder with materials for lessons

Drums

The teacher will let you know what you need.

Ballet

Leotard any color
Ballet Pink Convertible Tights
Canvas Split Sole Ballet Shoes
Hair in bun

VOICE

\$10 fee for binder with materials for lessons

OTHER INFO

Where to enter / exit?

The main entrance is through the brown door.
There is a big purple sign on the outside..

What to bring to class?

We recommend that your child bring a bag to keep all their belongings in, a water bottle, and a snack if they are there for more than two hours.

Where to park?

We only have street parking. Please make sure you read the signs so you don't get a ticket. It is usually easiest to park on Parkdale.

How to stay informed?

Once registered, your email address is added to the student list and you will be receiving all information through email.

**PLEASE CHECK EMAIL REGULARLY.
THIS IS OUR MAIN FORM OF
COMMUNICATION!**

Please send any questions you have to:
dcsa@buffalodreamcenter.org

Dream Center School of the Arts

Agreement / Waiver

Notice: This is a binding legal document. Please read carefully and sign. Consult an attorney if you have any questions.

1 - By signing this form, I understand and agree that neither Buffalo Dream Center/Dream Center School of the Arts, hereinafter known as BDC/DCSA, nor its agents, officers, directors, employees, volunteers, or ministry partners may be held liable in any way for any occurrence which may result in illness, injury, death, or other dangers to myself, the participant, or my heirs, family members, or assigns. I waive any such claim for compensation, liability, or reimbursement of any incurred expenses as a result of illness, injury, death or other medical expenses.

2 - By signing this form, I understand and agree that neither the BDC/DCSA, nor its agents, officers, directors, employees, volunteers, or ministry partners may be held liable in any way for any lost, stolen, or damaged property belonging to myself, the participant, or my heirs, family members, or assigns. I waive any such claim for compensation, liability, or reimbursement of incurred expenses.

3 - For being allowed to participate in the DCSA, myself, the participant and all my family members, heirs, or assigns personally assume all risks in connection with the activity. I release BDC/DCSA, its agents, officers, directors, employees, volunteers, or ministry partners from any injury or damage, which may befall me, my family members, heirs, or assigns while engaged in the above activity/event. This release includes all risks connected with the activities, whether foreseen or unforeseen. I further agree to save and hold harmless BDC/DCSA and the above named persons from any claim by me, or family members, estate, heirs, or assigns arising out of the participation in the above activity/event.

4 - I authorize any ambulance or hospital emergency service that may be rendered necessary to myself, the participant, heirs, family members, and assigns. I understand that I, the participant, assumes responsibility for the payment of the ambulance, doctor, dentist, or hospital fees. I waive any such claim for compensation, liability, or reimbursement of incurred expenses.

5 - I agree to pay all fees in a timely manner.

6 - I agree to respect the building, the teachers, and other families that attend DCSA

7 - I authorize the Buffalo Dream Center/Dream Center School of the Arts to use photographs, video, and other digital media in any and all of the Buffalo Dream Center/Dream Center School of the Arts' publications for the purposes of advertising. I authorize the Buffalo Dream Center/Dream Center School of the Arts the right to edit, enhance, or crop any photo, video, and digital media for the specified purposes without prior inspection. I understand and agree all such photos, video, and digital media are property of the Buffalo Dream Center/Dream Center School of the Arts and will receive no compensation for such.

8 - Furthermore, I state that I, the participant, am at least 18 years of age and am legally competent to sign this agreement and release; I understand the terms in this agreement and release are contractual and not a mere recital; I have fully informed myself of this agreement and release by reading it before I signed it; I have had the opportunity to consult with legal counsel regarding the effect of this agreement and release, should I so desire; and I have signed this document of my own free act.

Full legal name of Participant

Signature of Participant (If under 18, signature of legal guardian)

Date