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General Info & Rules

Dear Parents & Members,

Hello and welcome! This letter is to clarify some admin and the most important Terms and Conditions for this year, to make sure we are all on the same page!

1. Payments

- Payment options are calculated based on the annual 41 weeks of classes during Public School Terms, divided into 11 months or 4 terms, and are therefore fixed for the whole year.
- If at any stage you want to stop taking a dance class, you have to complete our online cancellation form as your written notice and give us one full month's paid notice, so please arrange this one month in advance.
- Junior Payments will be made in advance from February- December before the 5th of each month.
- Adult Payments will be made at the end of each month from January-November before the 30th of each month.
- Outstanding payments of 60 days+ will require the settlement & signing a compulsory debit order agreement to continue classes.
- All payments are preferably to be made by EFT.

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2. Class Times and Missed Classes:

- All teachers are given two free afternoons for unforeseen sick leave or in the event of a great emergency. This will be communicated on the day. If a teacher needs to miss a class due to any other reason, she will arrange in advance for a substitute teacher to take the class.
- There generally will NOT be class on public holidays, unless otherwise arranged. And there will generally NOT be class during public school holidays.
- Unfortunately no missed classes will be refunded, but we do allow you to make an arrangement in advance with your allocated teacher if you will be missing a class/ classes. In such cases you will get an opportunity to catch up the class/ classes you have missed within the term you have missed those classes, by joining 2 or more other classes in some of the weeks, if class-space allows for it. Therefore, If you missed a class/ classes and did not make any prior arrangements you lose the class/ classes completely but will still have to pay for the class/ classes.
- Ability levels will be determined from a trial class taken and students will remain in that level for the remainder of the year, with the option of advancing to the next level after a year's training and an informal exam session with some of ROHD's instructors.

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3. General Arrangements

- At the Lynnwood Studio please always park outside the gate of the premises and missed call your teacher when you are at the gate so we can open for you.
- Adults Dress in clothes that are comfortable and aids mobility (bodyfit gym wear), with ballet pumps or Pointe Shoes (Midway/Advanced) for ballet or good quality 'tekkie/sneaker' footwear of your choice for Hip Hop and split-sole tap shoes for Tap.
- Because of the size of the studios, classes cannot exceed 6-9 people; for this reason please let us know on the whatsapp group at least 2 hours before class whether or not you will be able to make it, so we can manage the syllabus accordingly.
- Friends/ People who are interested are allowed 1 free trial class, thereafter they can choose a payment option that suits them, from which this class's fee will be deducted.
- Whatsapp groups: As soon as you have registered you will be added to a whatsapp group of the class/ classes that you will be attending. Only arrangements and reminders from your teacher will take place on these groups. You will also be allowed to notify your teacher whether or not you will be attending class on these groups. However, no videos/ pictures and voice notes of any kind (other than reminders and arrangements) will be allowed on these groups.

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3. General Arrangements (Junior Specific)

- Juniors or other siblings are not allowed to play outside the studio before, or after classes, or while classes are in progress, please use the adjacent playpark for these purposes.
- All juniors should attend class 1x/2x a week to be able to qualify to do the exams. Failure in doing so will result in students falling behind and missing out on a lot of fun. A special arrangement should be made with your allocated teacher if a student can only attend class once a week.

- JUNIOR ATTIRE: BALLET/LOVE FOR DANCE

Hopeful Hoppers: Pastel Pink

Pre-primary/Primary- Test 1: Pastel Pink Thin Strap Leotard & Skirt

Test 2- up: Black Thin Strap Leotard (as set by the Cecchetti Society of SA)

LFD: Any colour/style ballet attire

Thin Strap leotard without drawstring, skirt, short/ long tights, leather/ canvas single-sole pink ballet shoes with 12 mm elastic across the foot and a wrap around ballet jersey for the cold days. Satin Shoes will be worn during examinations.

Hair: Neatly pulled/combed back hair in a high bun. Follow our Youtube Ballet Bun Tutorial if you need any assistance. Hair should be done before class and should hold firm throughout the entire class.

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3. General Arrangements (Junior Specific Continued)

- **The Hope Game (our discipline system):**

At ROHD all discipline happens according to the 5 steps of our 'Hope Game' which all pupils will learn during the first few weeks in class and be will be evaluated according to these steps each week. If a student fails to comply with the 1/more of 5 steps for more than 3 weeks, they will not be able to enjoy the reward at the end of each term.

- **Identity Curriculum**

We aim to be intentional in helping all our junior students develop a good sense of belonging, worth and competence as part of a well rounded identity as individuals through their dance journey. Therefore we have developed a well researched Identity Curriculum that runs parallel to our dance curriculums in class and will help determine the theme of each term-end workshop throughout the year.

4. Special Precautions & Liability Waiver

It is advisable to have the clearance of your medical doctor before starting any new exercise regimen, including Ballet or other Dance Styles. Please always alert the instructor before class if any new or recurrent condition, injury, pain etc. arises. By registering with us, you agree that you will not in the future hold Talitha de Klerk or any of the Ballet instructors at Rhythm of Hope Dance responsible for any injuries, pain or discomfort suffered by me as a result of participation in Ballet and Dance Classes.

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5. Doxa Deo Dance Ministry Program

Dancers in the Midway or Advanced Classes are welcome to audition for the Doxa Deo Ministry Team, which will rehearse on Thursday evenings from 19:00-21:00 @112 Andersen Street, Brooklyn (Doxa Deo Brooklyn)

4.2 This team will take part in ministry productions at Doxa Deo Brooklyn throughout the year.

6. ROHO Outreach Program

10% of your class fees help fund our dance outreach program which currently equips over 80 girls from the Woodlawn Village informal settlement in Moreletapark with dance training and performing opportunities. Please look out for regular newsletters and info about the program, and thank you for helping to make this wonderfully fulfilling program possible!

Much Love

The ROHD Team