

CARY DANCE PRODUCTIONS

2023-2024 Recreational Competitive Company Auditions + FAQ's

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Our RCC program serves as a middle ground between CDP recreational and competitive company dance classes. These teams are made up of dancers with a strong work ethic, a commitment to classroom attendance, and a desire to perform. RCC dancers have extra performance opportunities including 1-2 local dance competitions, but require fewer classes per week making RCC a smaller time & financial commitment than the Competitive Company.

This year we are hosting auditions for 6 different RCC teams:

NEW * Petite RCC for dancers K-1st Grade

Mini RCC for dancers 2nd-3rd Grade

Tween RCC for dancers ages 4th-6th Grade

Junior RCC for dancers in Middle School

Teen RCC for dancers in High School

Senior RCC for dancers in High School

We take age, ability, and grade into consideration each year. Age assignment above will fluctuate from year to year depending on dancers auditioning.



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RCC Audition Schedule

Thursday, June 1st at CDP

NEW * Petite RCC 5:00-6:00pm

Friday, June 2nd at CDP

Mini RCC: 4:30-5:30pm

Tween RCC: 5:30-6:30pm

Junior RCC: 6:30-7:30pm

Teen & Senior RCC: 7:45-8:45pm

Sign up in your parent portal + fill out the audition form linked here.

Frequently Asked Questions:

WHAT IS RCC?

Our Recreational Competitive Company consists of dancers who are excited to gain more from their dance education and experience. This group is meant for the dedicated and passionate dancers at our CDP who are looking for more performance opportunities and a strong classroom work ethic. RCC is an opportunity for your child to grow as an artist and athlete. It is a privilege for those excited and willing to commit to a deeper knowledge of the arts, technique, and performance. They learn many genres of dance, attend multiple classes per week, perform at various events throughout the year, and participate in one-two local dance competitions.

HOW IS RCC DIFFERENT FROM THE CDP COMPETITIVE COMPANY?

The CDP Competitive Company is a huge commitment for dance families. It involves a great deal of time, and can be very pricey. The RCC program serves as a middle ground between a full-on competition team and a recreational dance class commitment. While attendance is still required, RCC dancers have fewer required dance classes resulting in less class time during the week and fewer performances during the year.

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Frequently Asked Questions Cont.:

I CURRENTLY DANCE IN THE RECREATIONAL CLASSES AT CDP. HOW WILL RCC CLASSES BE DIFFERENT?

Our RCC dancers are held to a higher standard. It is understood that upon joining this group, the dancers have an interest in growing as technicians and performers and are committed to focused work each week. RCC dancers are required to take their assigned RCC BALLET and JAZZ classes. All other RCC dance forms are optional. Although RCC Ballet classes are required, we will not be taking ballet dances to competition.

OUTSIDE OF DANCE CLASS, WHAT ELSE WILL BE DIFFERENT?

Outside of dance class, our RCC dancers are required to participate in several other performances. These include: Dancing in the Cary and Apex Christmas Parades (rehearsals start in October), our winter benefit show - CREATE (mid-January), attending one-two dance competitions with our competitive company (date TBD), and Dancing in our Spring Recital.

ANY ADDITIONAL COMMITMENTS OUTSIDE OF CLASSES AND PERFORMANCES?

RCC dancers will be required to attend our RCC dance camp this summer August 2-6th, 2023. RCC dancers will also be required to come to occasional mandatory rehearsals outside of their scheduled class time. These will always be held on the weekends, cost approximately \$25-\$35, and will likely be held on weekends prior to performances (specifically the CREATE show and dance competition). Please plan to keep these weekends free for your dancers.

WHAT ABOUT FINANCES?

There are several additional fees required throughout the season for our RCC dancers. These fees will be required in addition to your monthly tuition (rates posted on our website, carydance.com), and usual studio expenses (recital tickets, etc). For a complete breakdown of our additional RCC fees, please see the expense overview listed below.

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CDP RCC Expense Overview 2023-2024

This is meant to serve as a reliable estimate of all RCC fees. Some fees are subject to change and could vary slightly as we move through the season.

1. DUE AUGUST:

- Dance Camp Fees (approx.): \$375
- Jacket (must have at least one) – (required to purchase during summer dance camp).
 - Track Jacket - \$120
 - Lululemon Jacket \$175
 - CDP Backpack: \$65
 - Ballet Uniforms (all companies) approx. \$45-\$55
- Solo Studio Fees (if applicable): \$125 per solo

2. DUE AUGUST OR DISTRIBUTED ALL YEAR

- Tuition Begins - current tuition rates can be found [here](#).
 - Families who pay tuition in full will receive a 5% discount on their annual tuition fee
 - Families with 2 dancers will receive a 10% family discount
 - Families with 3 or more dancers will receive 15% family discount
 - If you opt to pay tuition monthly, this will be due on the 1st of each month (August-May)
- RCC Registration Fee - \$370
 - In addition to your studio and RCC registration fees, this covers other yearly expenses like: competition videos, parade participation, holiday party, new team apparel, trailer expenses, eyelashes, etc.

3. DUE SEPTEMBER

- Class Costume Deposits - \$50/dance. Due at registration.
 - All classes will require a costume deposit
 - All classes will have a competition routine except ballet, pointe, acro, and technique
 - Ballet and Jazz are the only required dance forms. All others are optional.
 - Solos/Duets/Trios do not require a costume deposit. Purchase on own.

4. DUE JANUARY

- CREATE rehearsal fees: \$25-\$35 per dance
- Solo Showcase performance fee (if applicable): \$45
 - Mandatory for all soloists, duets and trios to perform. Attendees must purchase tickets.

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CDP RCC Expense Overview 2023-2024 Cont.

5. DUE FEBRUARY, MARCH

While tuition + registration fees are due on the 1st, these fees are due on the 15th of the month, according to competition dates. Competition dates will be selected in August.

- Competition Entry Fees:
 - Group dance entries (approx.): \$65 per dancer, per group, for each competition.
 - Solo dance entries (approx.): \$165 per dancer, per competition
 - Duet/Trio dance entries (approx.): \$75 per dancer, per competition.
- Extra rehearsals prior to competition: \$25-\$35 per dance
- Remaining costume balance.
 - Plan on an average of \$125/costume, less deposits paid at the start of the season.

6. DUE MAY:

- RCC Audition fees for 2022-2023 season (approx. \$40)
- IHIH Convention (optional): \$65

CDP RCC COMMITMENT CONTRACT 2023-2024

Both parents and dancers are required to initial beside each clause below. Your initials represent that you and your parents understand and support dance company guidelines, and will uphold these rules to the best of your ability. Consequences for breaking these commitments will include parent conferences and appropriate action to the circumstance. Thank you for your continued support, and for your commitment to redefine our standard of excellence each year!

1. I will wear the appropriate attire to dance class. ____
2. I will wear the appropriate shoes to each dance class. ____
3. I will have my hair pulled back properly (in a BUN!) for class unless asked by CDP staff to rehearse otherwise. NO fixing hair during class. ____
4. If I am not in class dancing FULL OUT 2 weeks leading up to a performance, I will not perform. ____
5. If I am going to be absent, I will email kaity@carydance.com PRIOR to class to explain which classes I am missing and why. ____
6. missing and why. ____
7. I understand that being in the CDP RCC Dance Company requires a commitment to be at 1-2 required competitions (specific dates for 2023-2024 TBA). ____
8. I will not come to class sick! ____
9. I will set a personal goal to prepare myself before coming to dance each day. I will NOT leave the same as I arrived. I will try to exceed my last week's accomplishments and with focus and determination. Before each run-through of my dances, I will remind myself of corrections made to my class/others/myself and challenge myself to rise to a higher standard. ____
10. I will dance full out and work outside of class to build my endurance. I will eat healthier, take vitamins, drink more water and get plenty of sleep in order to take care of my body to prevent injuries and be a lovely person. ____
11. I will love and respect my dance studio. I will pick up my trash, throw my food away outside, and clean up after myself and others. ____
12. I will be attending CDP Summer dance classes to improve my skills and technique. ____
13. I will be attending my REQUIRED RCC Dance Camp August 2nd-6th, 2023. ____
14. I am committed to my team and my teachers. I understand that joining the RCC program is a year-long commitment. I will be in class, working hard, each week and in every mandatory rehearsal. ____
15. I will support my teammates and be encouraging and kind to them. I will not tear them down with negative words or actions. ____

PARENTS: I understand all fees I owe will be drafted from my account on either the 1st or 15th of each month (this includes tuition and all other expenses incurred throughout the year). If accounts are not maintained, I understand that this may jeopardize our ability to participate in the CDP RCC Program ____

STUDENT SIGNATURE/DATE: _____

PARENT SIGNATURE/DATE: _____

This commitment contract is due upon the acceptance of your spot on 2023-2024 CDP RCC team.