



## **Elev8 Dance Parent/Studio Handbook**

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**Regular Season Office Hours:** Monday-Thursday 3:00pm-9:00pm

Welcome to Elev8 Dance! We are excited to share our passion for dance with YOU for our very first season! At Elev8 Dance, we are committed to providing students with a quality dance education and strong technical foundation. Our mission is to provide quality dance instruction and instill a great love of dance, while inspiring self-confidence, discipline, and a respect of the performing arts. Elev8 Dancers will learn adequate technique while also gaining confidence, strength, and coordination. At Elev8 Dance we believe every dancer deserves the opportunity to gain technique, flexibility, and strength to grow their dance education, and we strive to present this in every class offered. We look forward to making this year of Elev8 Dance the best!

*This handbook contains information about classes and the Elev8 Dance studio, and student and parent expectations. All staff at Elev8 are dedicated to making sure our customers experience is positive. Please read the information carefully and keep this packet for future reference.*

### **Studio Communication**

Elev8 Dance sends out a monthly communication and announcements via email. For the fastest and most thorough answer to any questions you may have, please contact us via email at [elev8dancestaff@gmail.com](mailto:elev8dancestaff@gmail.com). We will do our best to respond to all emails within 24 hours with the exception of the weekends. We encourage you to use all available resources (i.e. our website, Facebook page, Parent Handbook, etc.) to find readily available answers to your questions prior to emailing the studio.

### **Facebook & Instagram**

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for important information and news.

Facebook: [Elev8 Dance](https://www.facebook.com/Elev8Dance)

Instagram: [DanceWithElev8](https://www.instagram.com/DanceWithElev8)

## Payment Policies

### Registration

Registration for new students is easy via the JackRabbit enrollment link. This can be found on our website or on our social media. For questions regarding enrollment please contact us via email.

An annual Registration Fee (\$30 one-time fee, this fee covers any siblings living in the same household) is due at the time of enrollment.

### Tuition

Every month tuition will draft from the required account on file on the **first of each month** (September-May). A \$15 late fee will be applied to any accounts that fail to draft by the 7th of each month. All payments must be up to date and balance paid in full for a student to receive apparel or merchandise, or before participating in class, any special event, showcase, recital, or competition.

1 Class Per Week:	\$45/month
2 Classes Per Week:	\$75/month
3 Classes Per Week:	\$100/month
4 Classes Per Week:	\$125/month
5 Classes Per Week:	\$145/month
6 Classes Per Week:	\$165/month

### Charges To Accounts (Merchandise & Non-Tuition Events)

Families are allowed to purchase dancewear, shoes, attire, and other Elev8 Dance items from our boutique and place the fees on the JackRabbit account. Any charges placed on your account for any items or events other than tuition will be pulled from your bank account on file within 24 hours and subject to the \$15 late fee for any failed transactions. Elev8 Dance is not responsible for any bank-assessed bounce fees due to failed pulls. Please pay cash or check at the time of purchase or enrollment to avoid auto-draft. All transactions are subject to the 7% sales tax in accordance with North Carolina State law.

### Attendance

Email us as soon as possible if your student is going to miss class for any reason. Dancers will not have the opportunity to make-up missed classes. Tuition will not be discounted, and no refund will be given, due to missed classes.

### Withdrawing Enrollment

If the dance family or Elev8 Dance decides mid-year not to continue with the dancer's enrollment, we must be notified by email. All withdrawal notifications must be sent my email. No withdraw requests made in person to any staff of Elev8 Dance are considered appropriate or applicable. Any student withdrawal made after the first of the month will result in the remaining tuition for that current month.

### Class Cancellations

Elev8 Dance may cancel class due to inclement weather. We will send out an email or update our

studio's Facebook page. Check both outlets for the fastest and most accurate information. We will follow Sampson County School's yearly calendar for our studio calendar.

### **Parent Observation**

Parents are not permitted to enter the studio at any time during class hours unless invited by the instructor.

### **Lobby Expectations**

Be considerate of other customers as well as our dancers while in the lobby of the studio. Just as you can hear some of the instructions coming from inside the studio, dancers and instructors inside the studio can hear loud noises from the lobby. Siblings of students must be supervised at all times within the walls of Elev8 Dance. There should be no running, yelling, or playing with water fountains or merchandise in the lobby.

### **Classroom Expectations**

Students are to be ready to enter class on time, have used the restroom, with hair up and in the appropriate dress code for the class they are preparing to enter. If your student is not in the appropriate attire as it is stated in our studio's dress code, they will not be allowed to attend class.

### **Dress Code**

It is incredibly important that your dancer follow our guidelines for dance attire and footwear within the walls of our studio. The Elev8 Dance dress code was created to keep your dancer safe, prevent injuries, and ensure that he or she receives the best dance instruction possible. A copy of our dress code is included on our website. All attire required for our classes are available for purchase or order in the Studio Lobby.

### **Recital Information**

Elev8 Dance will hold their first annual dance recital at the Clinton Civic Center on May 18th, 2025. Each family will receive a digital information packet with more information by March 1st. We ask that you read this information completely and thoroughly. Recital season can be incredibly busy, and we plan to dedicate many hours to putting on an incredible and unforgettable performance for your family and your dancers to remember for years to come.

### **Costumes**

Costume fees for the Elev8 Dance recital range from \$75-\$125 per class. Deposits of \$55 per class are due in October. The remaining amount will be due sometime in January. All classes will participate in our annual recital. Dancers will be sized for costume during the month of October. All measurements will be adjusted to account for growth before your student receives the costume. Costumes will be sent home throughout the entire month of March. We will not send home costumes until all students in the class have received their costumes. All costume fees are non-transferable or refundable.

### **Recital Fees**

We would LOVE for your dancer's day to be as special as possible with a professional performing experience. A recital fee of \$70 and up will be billed along with tuition and any other account balance on

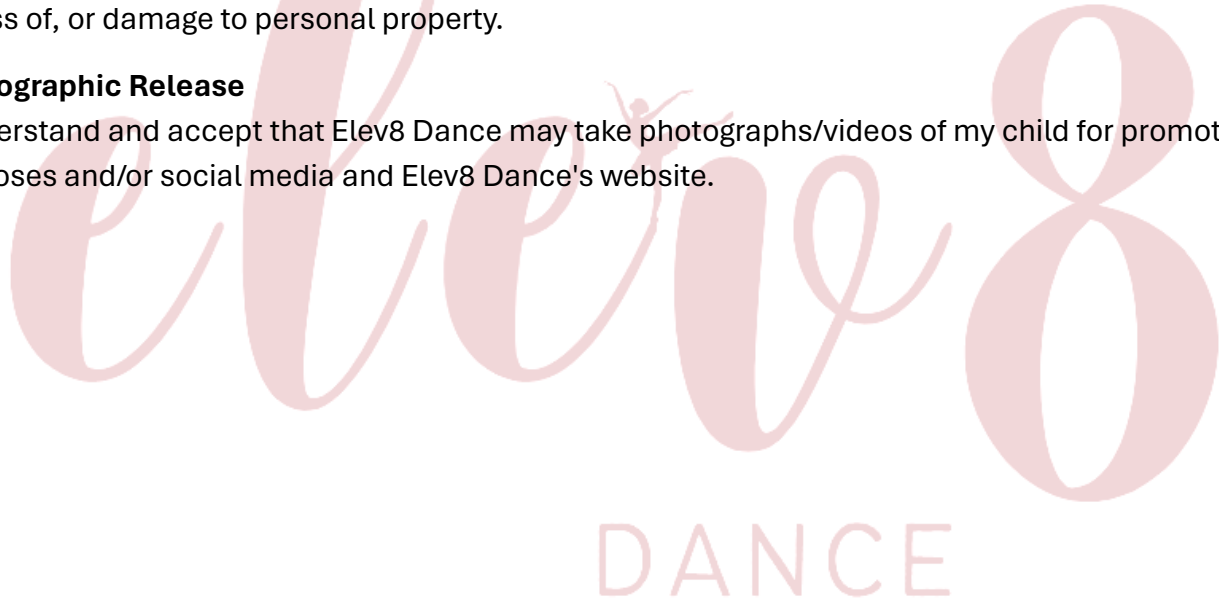
March 1st. Each family receives a number of complimentary tickets and additional tickets will be available for purchase in the Elev8 Dance staff during the months leading up to the big performance. More information regarding the Recital will be included in our Recital Packet available on March 1st. Recital fees are non-transferable or refundable.

### **Release Of Liability**

I understand that there are risks of physical injury associated with dancing. These risks included potential for slips and falls, sprains, strains, dislocations, soft tissue injuries, and other risks not specified here. Understanding these risks and the potential for others not listed, I agree to personally accept and assume all the risks present in my participation at Elev8 Dance. My participation at Elev8 Dance is entirely voluntary, and I choose to participate despite the risks. Dance education sometimes requires hands-on instruction as well as verbal instruction. Instructors may correct dancers by touching their arms, legs, feet, hips, back and head to move them in the correct position. I acknowledge that this is a common standard in dance instruction and understand that it's my responsibility to communicate clearly with my teacher if any form of touch is unacceptable to me. Elev8 Dance is not liable for personal injury, or loss of, or damage to personal property.

### **Photographic Release**

I understand and accept that Elev8 Dance may take photographs/videos of my child for promotional purposes and/or social media and Elev8 Dance's website.



# 2024-2025 Calendar

*\*Elev8 Dance Will Follow The Sampson County Schools Weather Policy.\**

<b>September 9</b>	<b>Elev8 Dance Begins It's First Season of Dance</b>
<b>October TBD</b>	<b>Clinton's Square Fair</b> (Select Classes Perform)
<b>October 21-24</b>	<b>Parent Participation Week</b>
<b>November 15</b>	<b>Studio Fun Night</b>
<b>November 26-28</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Break</b> (Studio Is Closed)
<b>December 3</b>	<b>Roseboro's Christmas Tree Lighting</b> (Select Classes Perform)
<b>December TBD</b>	<b>Clinton's Christmas In The City</b> (Select Classes Perform)
<b>December 13</b>	<b>Roseboro Christmas Parade Performance</b> (All Studio Dancers Encouraged To Perform)
<b>December 14</b>	<b>Clinton Christmas Parade Performance</b> (All Studio Dancers Encouraged To Perform)
<b>December 14-January 12</b>	<b>Christmas Break</b> (Studio Is Closed)
<b>January 13</b>	<b>Classes Resume</b>
<b>February 10-13</b>	<b>Studio Spirit Week</b>
<b>April 5</b>	<b>Recital Pictures</b>
<b>April 18-27</b>	<b>Spring Break</b>
<b>May 5-8</b>	<b>Mandatory Studio Tech Rehearsals</b> (In Studio)
<b>May 12</b>	<b>Mandatory Opening Number Rehearsal</b> (In Studio)
<b>May 13</b>	<b>Mandatory Opening Number Rehearsal</b> (Sampson County Expo Center)
<b>May 14-15</b>	<b>Mandatory Dress Rehearsals</b> (Sampson County Expo Center)
<b>May 18</b>	<b>2025 Recital</b> (Sampson County Expo Center)