Terms and Conditions for Membership at Studio One (DCPA)

Welcome to Studio One DCPA and we hope you enjoyed your first class with us!

Established since 1981, Studio One has grown to become one of the most professional, leading Performing Arts Centres in Dorset. Offering the highest standard of training in a professional and encouraging environment.

Uniform
We kindly ask you to review the uniform list. Our Studio One Dancewear Shop offers a complete range of class attire. Adhering to the uniform guidelines is essential to upholding the Studio One (DCPA) ethos.

Examinations
Students have the opportunity to participate in Examinations in Classical Ballet, Tap, Modern Jazz, Acrobatic Dance and Musical Theatre. Annual examination results will be shared privately and students certificates & medals awarded in class. Please note that certificates may be withheld for any student with outstanding course fees at the end of the course.

Shows and Productions
Each year, we produce a full-scale school show, providing students with a valuable opportunity to showcase their technical and performance skills developed throughout the year. Our shows are proudly presented at Pavilion Dance South West, and all students are warmly invited to participate.

Photography & Video
To showcase the incredible talent and achievements of our students, photographs and videos taken during classes may be used for promotional purposes, such as our website, social media, and marketing materials.

Course Fees
All Course Fees are payable in advance of the course to which they apply. Our courses run in 10-week blocks throughout the year. Please note, an automatic 25% late fee will be applied to course fees not paid by the due date, unless the standing order payment scheme is adopted (please ask for details). The Directors reserve the right to pursue legal action to recover any outstanding debt.

3rd Child Free Scheme
The third child in the family receives free tuition, however, examination fees, rehearsal fees and any additional class fees are payable in full.

Remission of Fees
Tuition Fees are non-refundable and non-transferable. This includes absences due to illness or any other reason. Fees cannot be carried over for future terms or used for other family members.

Attendance at Other Schools
Parents/Guardians should inform Studio One if the student is attending dance/theatre classes at another dance or theatre school.

Notice to Leave
Please provide 10 week's notice in writing if you wish to withdraw from classes. You will then be issued with a 'Notice to Withdraw Form'. A notice period will always begin at the start of a new course. Remaining weeks on the current course of which notice is given are not applicable.

If circumstances change and you wish to terminate or extend the notice period - please complete a new 'Notice to Withdraw Form'.

The Principal retains the right to dismiss any Student, Parent, or family member whose actions or behaviour are deemed detrimental to the school environment

Teachers
All our Teachers are qualified in their particular fields. All members of staff are DBS checked, First Aid Trained and fully insured. Physical corrections may be necessary during dance instruction. These are always carried out with utmost care and professionalism. As part of their training, pre-registered and Student Teachers assist with teaching our classes. For the safety and support of younger students, Class Assistants are typically present in classes for children under 10 years old.

Closures
In the event of unforeseen circumstances, such as a pandemic, requiring temporary studio closure, an adjustment to fees will be made. The adjustment amount will be determined by the duration of the closure and any potential government assistance received by the studio. Throughout any closure period, Studio One (DCPA) Ltd will provide online tuition for students and members.

Parking
To enhance the parking experience for our dance families and customers, we have a large car park to the rear of the campus for use whilst dropping off and collecting students. Please use the pathways clearly marked for safety.
Important Note: While we strive to provide a safe parking environment, Studio One (DCPA) and The Dorset Foundation College cannot be held responsible for any vehicle damage that may occur on the premises

Safeguarding
During class time: Students are under the direct supervision of Studio One staff. To maintain a focused and productive learning environment for all students, parents are not permitted in the studios when a class is in progress unless invited to watch by the class teacher.
Campus Supervision: Students should not be left unattended at any time within the studio building.
Leaving the Premises: No student is permitted to leave the premises without being collected by a parent or designated guardian.

For further details on our comprehensive safeguarding policy, please visit our website.