



Dance News

Glenda's Dance Center ~ 1321 Kentucky Ave., St. Cloud, FL 34769

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WELCOME TO GLENDAS DANCE STUDIO!!

We are so excited it's time to start our 2024-25 Season!! :D

This is year 35 for GDC...and we are so glad you are all here for a great dance season!

Just wanted to mention and request a few things as we open up for classes on **Monday, August 12th....**



Parking: There are several places to park....**a)** in the parking lot, **b)** in the overflow dirt parking under the water tower, **c)** in the grassy median on the side of the building and in front (but park far enough away from the hydrant!)...**d)** there is parking on the street on the other side of The Cup Diner (formerly known as the Koffee Kup), **e)** also in the lot BEHIND Mutts, there's a strip of grass you can park in (the main part of the empty lot is roped off but the right of way is open). **The only place you cannot park until after 6:00 pm (which is when they close) is NAPA...**after 6 pm, you are welcome to park there!! :) We do have 5 minutes in between classes...spots open up after the class.

Traffic Flow: Our parking lot has a drive through. Enter at Kentucky and you are welcome to drop off your dancer and pull on around the side of the building where you can exit onto 14th Street. Please do not block the drive thru lane. Try not to exit on Kentucky as you will be driving against the flow of traffic.

Tuition: Tuition payments are due the first week of every month. **Your online accounts have all been made.** Just go to the web site (www.glendasdance.com), click on the customer portal tab. Enter the email address you registered with, and if this is your first time logging in, just hit "forgot password" and create your own. That will be your personal log in. Some of you have asked about "reoccurring" or AutoPay payments....you are the only one that can sign up for that. Using your online account, go ahead and make your August payment...in that process it will ask you if you'd like to make these "automatic payments". Just click "yes" if you'd like that service....or *no*, to pay manually each month. If you do automatic withdrawals, those payments will be run on the 1st of each month. **IF YOU HAD AUTOPAY LAST SEASON, YOU WILL HAVE TO SIGN BACK UP TO USE THAT SERVICE IF YOU WISH TO USE IT THIS SEASON.** We encourage all to sign up for auto pay for the ease of payment. And for this session, August's tuition is only 3/4 the normal amount as we are starting in the middle of the month. I have manually adjusted all August's tuition...if you find an error, please let me know. Tuition is based on a full amount for the season. It has been broken into 10 increments for easy payment. Tuition remains the same each month, regardless of if it's a 5-week month or a 3-week month.

Viewing Class: IMPORTANT!! The first week of classes is very exciting...especially for the new dancers and their families. BUT, it can get **very** crowded in the lobby, making it difficult for the new dancers (especially our youngest ones) to feel comfortable and calm. **So we ask that for at least 2 weeks that only 1 parent per family arrive with your dancer (s) upstairs in the lobby.** After two weeks, we welcome other family members. Things do calm down and less traffic...just the first few weeks get crowded. Of course you are welcome to just drop off your dancer! One of the faculty will be standing on the stairwell monitoring the parking lot after every class!

Store/Office: The store/office will be open during all classes. It is a small office/store area and only 1-2 people can be helped at a time so please be patient and we'll get to you as soon as we can :)

Performance Days: Recital Day is booked for Saturday, May 31st at St. Cloud High School. Mark your calendars now!! Also our Christmas Show will be Saturday, December 7th in downtown St. Cloud. Times will be announced closer to the events. We also add more community, and Christmas shows as we are asked. But these 2 performances are a go! Details will be shared as event nears. We will also have a Picture Week during a week in May. Once that is set up, details will be shared as well. For the main Recital, costumes will be ordered. These payments will be due in November and distributed around April. Average cost of a costume is \$60 per class..





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Open House: GDC will be open on Friday, August 9th from 5:30-7:30pm and Saturday, August 10th from 11am-1pm. If you are new to GDC and want to look around and meet some of the faculty, come on in!! If anyone needs dancewear...shoes, leotards, tights, etc....this is a great time to take care of that before we start. If you wait till the first class to try on shoes, please be patient as there's usually a long line.

LTD Competition: For all those dancers aged 6 and up, who are interested in joining our competition team, **there is a mandatory parent meeting at the studio on Friday, August 23rd at 6:00pm.** You are under no obligation to join at that time, you can just listen to all of the information and decide by Sunday, August 25th by 5pm.

Combo Classes: These are combination classes of ballet, tap, jazz and acrobatics! These are fantastic to give your young dancer an overview of several different genres! They will be doing only 2 genres per week, then switching to the other two the next....in other words if they do ballet/acro one week, they'll do tap/jazz the next and continue to switch :) They will always begin class in ballet shoes. **So...all combo dancers need ballet and tap shoes!** They will wear their ballet shoes for acro and jazz. (Note: we do have a small store in the studio and carry all these items...but you are most welcome to purchase them from any place! *(And just an fyi...dance shoes do not run true to size).*)

Dress Code for Ballet, Pointe & Combo Classes: The dress code for these classes is as follows: solid black or light pink leotards, light pink tights, pink ballet shoes and black tap shoes. All other classes must also be in leotards/tights or leggings. NO street clothes to class! (shorts, jeans, etc..) Hair must be pulled up out of face. Leotards can be any style (tank, camisole, long sleeves, etc. and can have skirts attached or added).

If you are a Returning Dance Family: I ask that you take a few minutes and update your online account. Many addresses and phone numbers have changed and we need current information please.

Email Correspondence: As you can see, your email addresses are all hidden so no fear of your email information going out to anyone. If you lose (or delete lol) your copy of any Newsletter...we will have a copy on the web site. Oh...and if you have a [Facebook](#), please go to Glenda's Dance Center's page and click "**LIKE**"...I give short reminders and announcements on there. As well as Instagram, I give out birthday shoutouts to everyone there...search and request to follow [glendasdance](#).

As always...if you have any questions or concerns, email me or catch any instructor in between classes. Have a fabulous new week and looking forward to seeing you all very soon..... and thanks for reading my novel! hahaha!! :)))

*Dancingly yours,
Ms. Glenda
(and Ms. Kim, Ms. Payton,
Ms. Anna, and Ms. Lindsay
and Ms. Alicia*



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Instagram: Glenda's Dance is now on Instagram ([glendasdance](#)).

GDC App: Free Glenda's Dance Center App (Apple or Android).

