

At Diversity, we believe dressing properly for class is an important part of your child's dance education. Please read the following guidelines thoroughly as it is mandatory for all students to follow our dress code.

Hair

All Dancers should have their hair securely pulled back in any style (Ballet specified below). Please use a headband or barrettes for short hair. We love ponytails, buns, braid or any secure hair style for long hair. When hair is in your dancer's face it can be distracting, and their Teacher can't see their smiles!

Fitted Dance-Wear

Please be sure student's dance-wear is fitted to the body. This allows our Teachers to check proper placement and improve our Dancer's technique. Everyday clothes like T-shirts are not dance-wear. Dance-wear should be made out of spandex and in the style of Yoga/Athletic wear. Dancers will not be permitted to dance in jeans as they restrict movements and can rip!

Flexible Dress Code

Half the fun for our little Dancers (& big Dancers too!) is picking out their new dance outfit! We want our Dancers to feel unique and confident, so we do not specify colour or style of any attire (Ballet specified below). If your Dancer owns dance shoes that don't match our dress code, they are welcome to wear them in class until they outgrow them or until required at Recital. If your Dancer is uncomfortable with any part of our dress code, please let our office know. We are happy to provide alternatives to ensure your Dancer feels confident and comfortable, as we want to help foster a positive body image.

Dance Stores

Dance Attire & Shoe Stores: Diversity Office, Bodythings in Kingsland, City Dancewear near Chinook or Muge in Okotoks. Fitted Dance Wear: Athletic sections of stores such as Walmart, Superstore, Old Navy, Gap etc. Lululemon or Amazon. Amazon: If purchasing dance shoes on Amazon, we suggest Capezio or Bloch for quality shoes.

Used Shoe Sale at Diversity

Diversity's Used Shoe Sale facilitated through our office will be CLOSED this Fall due to COVID-19. Instead, we have started a private Facebook group for Diversity Parents and Dancers to buy & sell gently used shoes, dance-wear & costumes. Please join [Diversity Dance Buy & Sell](#). We hope to re-open our in-studio shoe sale in the future!

NEW Equipment

This season, to limited the spread of COVID-19, Diversity has removed shared equipment to limit cross-contact and contamination. Dancers will be required to bring a yoga mat to some class styles, or be required to purchase a prop bag (see below).

Bring Your Own Water Bottle

Due to COVID-19, Dancers are highly encouraged to bring a water bottle. They may refill them at the water fountains or at the kitchen sink. Drinking from the water fountains will be prohibited.



Tiny Tots [ages 3&4]

Attire: A bodysuit & skirt combo or dance dress for females. T-shirt with shorts or dance pants for males.

Tights: Any colour & style for females.

Footwear: Patent black tap shoes & pink ballet slippers for females. Black tap shoes & black ballet slippers for males.

*No gymnastic slippers please!

Dancers will begin class in their tap shoes. Please put your dancer's ballet shoes in their bag for mid class shoe change.

Hair: Neatly pulled back.

Equipment: 1) Mandatory mask in studio lobbies & common areas as mandated by Calgary Bylaw. Mask not required in dance studios. 2) Optional Water Bottle 3) Yoga Mat 4) Prop Bag (see below).



Tip: Double knot or cut ties on Ballet Shoes



Kinder Kids [age 5&6]

Attire: A bodysuit & skirt combo or dance dress for females. T-shirt with shorts or dance pants for males.

Tights: Convertible tights are recommended for Kinder Kid classes that contain Acro.

Footwear:

ACRO - Bare feet.

BALLET & JAZZ - Pink ballet slippers for females. Black ballet slippers for males.

*No gymnastic slippers please!

TAP - Patent black tap shoes.

Hair: Neatly pulled back.

Equipment: 1) Mandatory mask in studio lobbies & common areas as mandated by Calgary Bylaw. Mask not required in dance studios. 2) Optional Water Bottle 3) Yoga Mat 4) Prop Bag (see below).



Convertible Tights for ACRO



NEW Prop Bag \$10:

This season, to limited the spread of COVID-19, Diversity has removed shared equipment to limit cross-contact and contamination. We believe these class props are a fun & important part of our Tiny Tot & Kinder Kid syllabus, which is why we are requiring Dancers to purchase their very own Prop Bag through our office. We apologize for this additional cost. Thank you for your understanding as we do our utmost to keep everyone safe and healthy!

Included in Prop Bag: Magic Wand, Scarf, Bean Bag, Noise Shaker & Diversity Branded Drawstring Dance Bag (colours may vary).

Acro [ages 7+]

Attire: Fitted dance-wear. **Tights:** No tights for safety.
Footwear: Bare feet. **Hair:** Neatly pulled back.
Equipment: 1) Mandatory mask in studio lobbies & common areas as mandated by Calgary Bylaw. Mask not required in dance studios. 2) Optional Water Bottle. 3) Yoga Mat.



Example of Fitted Dance-wear

Ballet [Foundation, Inter Open, Technique, Senior Open]

Attire: Black Bodysuit. Black chiffon skirt optional. T-shirt with shorts or dance pants for males.
Tights: Ballet Pink for females.
Footwear: Pink leather full sole ballet slippers for females. Black leather full sole ballet slippers for males.
Hair: Bun with hairnet.
Equipment: 1) Mandatory mask in studio lobbies & common areas as mandated by Calgary Bylaw. Mask not required in dance studios. 2) Optional Water Bottle.

Ballet [Gr 1 - Gr 4]

Attire: Navy Bodysuit. Navy chiffon skirt optional. T-shirt with shorts or dance pants for males.
Tights: Ballet Pink for Females.
Footwear: Pink leather full sole ballet slippers for females. Black leather full sole ballet slippers for males.
Hair: Bun with hairnet.
Equipment: 1) Mandatory mask in studio lobbies & common areas as mandated by Calgary Bylaw. Mask not required in dance studios. 2) Optional Water Bottle.

Ballet [Gr 5+, Inter Foundation, Advanced Foundation]

Attire: Black Bodysuit. Black chiffon skirt optional. T-shirt with shorts or dance pants for males.
Tights: Ballet Pink.
Footwear: Pink canvas split sole ballet slippers for females. Black canvas split sole ballet slippers for males.
Hair: Bun with hairnet.
Equipment: 1) Mandatory mask in studio lobbies & common areas as mandated by Calgary Bylaw. Mask not required in dance studios. 2) Optional Water Bottle.



Full Sole vs Split Sole

Contemporary [ages 9+]

Attire: Fitted dance-wear. **Tights:** Not necessary. **Footwear:** Bare feet. **Hair:** Neatly pulled back.
Equipment: 1) Mandatory mask in studio lobbies & common areas as mandated by Calgary Bylaw. Mask not required in dance studios. 2) Optional Water Bottle. 3) Yoga Mat.

Hip Hop [ages 5+]

Attire: Comfortable clothing. T-shirt, hoodie, sweatpants, etc. *Please no jeans!
Footwear: Clean indoor running shoes. *Outdoor shoes are not permitted!
Hair: Neatly pulled back.
Equipment: 1) Mandatory mask in studio lobbies & common areas as mandated by Calgary Bylaw. Mask not required in dance studios. 2) Optional Water Bottle.

Jazz [ages 7+]

Attire: Fitted dance-wear. **Tights:** Not necessary.
Footwear: Beige or neutral slip on jazz shoes for females. Black slip on jazz shoes for males.
Hair: Neatly pulled back.
Equipment: 1) Mandatory mask in studio lobbies & common areas as mandated by Calgary Bylaw. Mask not required in dance studios. 2) Optional Water Bottle. 3) Yoga Mat.



Tap [Jr, Foundation & Technique]

Attire: Fitted dance-wear.
Tights: Not necessary.
Footwear: Black Mary Jane tap shoes for females. Black tap shoes for males. *Please no shiny patent.
Hair: Neatly pulled back.
Equipment: 1) Mandatory mask in studio lobbies & common areas as mandated by Calgary Bylaw. Mask not required in dance studios. 2) Optional Water Bottle.



Tap [Pre-Inter 1, Inter 1/2, Sr Open]

Attire: Fitted dance-wear.
Tights: Not necessary.
Footwear: Black Capezio Tele Tone lace up tap shoes
 *Tele Tone tap shoes will be required for all Tap Exams & Competition because they have the best sound quality!
Equipment: 1) Mandatory mask in studio lobbies & common areas as mandated by Calgary Bylaw. Mask not required in dance studios. 2) Optional Water Bottle.



Musical Theatre [ages 7+]

Attire: Fitted dance-wear. **Tights:** Not necessary. **Hair:** Neatly pulled back.
Footwear: Beige or neutral slip on jazz shoes for females. Black slip on jazz shoes for males.
Equipment: 1) Mandatory mask in studio lobbies & common areas as mandated by Calgary Bylaw. Mask not required in dance studios. 2) Optional Water Bottle.