

Welcome to the MDA Family!

Our Mission

Magnolia Dance Academy exists to provide a welcoming & positive environment that allows our dancers to learn in a safe & comfortable setting. We use the instruction of dance as an avenue for building confidence, character & self-esteem. Our goal is to instill values of love, respect, friendship, service & teamwork that extend far beyond our studio walls that will last long after the dance shoes are put away. We sincerely consider all of our dancers and their families as one big Magnolia Dance Family!

About Magnolia

Founded in 2008, Magnolia Dance Academy has become a cornerstone in our community, offering quality instruction in Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Musical Theater, Lyrical, Contemporary, Hip Hop, and Acrobatics for dancers ages 2 and up.

Our Facility

Our studio includes **five dance spaces (Studios A–E)**. **Studio E** is our dedicated tumble/acro studio. We also have **five restrooms** and a cubby area where dancers can safely store their belongings. Studio A is where our front office and information center are located.

Dancewear Store

Luna's Athleticwear, located inside the studio, offers a selection of leotards, tights, shoes, bags, and more. Open during class hours or order online for studio pickup: www.lunasathleticwear.com

Staying Connected & Communication

We use **email** and **BAND** to keep families informed. We have a main BAND, MDA Dance Fam 25-26 for all MDA Families. Each class also has its own BAND group where instructors share announcements, photos, and videos. Links to join individual class bands are posted in the Main MDA Dance Fam 25-26.

Join MDA Dance Fam 25-26 here: https://band.us/n/a5a5b7m6Z4F34

Follow us on Instagram https://www.instagram.com/mdadance

Facebook https://www.facebook.com/Magnoliadanceacademy

Please contact us with any concerns about your dancer's experience via email info@mdadance.com

We ask that conversations with instructors take place outside of class time to avoid disruptions.

Our Students & Programs

We offer both **recreational** and **competitive** programs for ages 2–18.

Recreational Classes include:

- Tiny 2s (Age 2)
- Tiny Tumblers (Age 2-3)
- Tiny Tots (Ages 3-4)
- Tumble Tots (Ages 4-5)
- Kinders (Ages 5–6): 45–60 min. combo classes in Ballet/Tap/Jazz, and Acro/Hip Hop
- Intermediate 4s/5s/6s: Returning dancers ready for the next step
- Ages 7+: Leveled classes in Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Lyrical, Contemporary, Acro, and Hip Hop

Company Program:

The Company is for dancers ready to commit to an elevated level of training and performance. These dancers train 2–9 hours weekly, attend summer intensives, and compete regionally and nationally. Ballet is a required core class for all Company dancers.

Auditions are held each summer and are open to dancers who have completed **one full season** of recreational dance at MDA. Exceptions may be made for dancers **new to the area**. We do not accept dancers who frequently switch studios, as we value long-term commitment and community.

Class Attire & Preparedness

- Tiny 2s: Light pink or lavender leotard, ballet pink or white tights, pink ballet shoes
- **Tiny Tots & Kinders**: Light pink or lavender leotard, pink or skin-tone tights, black tap & pink ballet shoes
- Combo Classes (7+): Any color leotard, pink/skin-tone tights, black tap, pink ballet, tan jazz shoes (as applicable)
- **Hip Hop**: Comfortable clothes, clean tennis shoes
- Acro: Leotard with footless tights. Barefoot preferred.
- **Acro/Hip Hop Combo**: Leo, biketard or athletic wear. Barefoot for Acro, tennis shoes for Hip Hop. Shirts must be fitted to avoid exposure during inversions.

All dancers should bring a **labeled water bottle** and keep items in a **labeled dance bag**. No drinks other than water are allowed. Hair must be pulled back and **ballet dancers age 6+ must wear buns**.

Drop Off & Pick-Up Procedures

Ages 7 & Older:

- May enter Studio A up to 5 minutes before class.
- Parents may wait outside or briefly view Studios A/B from inside or C,D & E from exterior windows.

Ages 6 & Under:

- Enter Studio A with a parent up to 5 minutes before class.
- Dancers will be escorted by staff to their class.
- Parents should not enter classrooms.

Acro-Only Dancers:

Older dancers (8 & up) may enter and exit through Studio either with instructor or parent.
 If also attending other classes, dancers will be transitioned inside of the studio. 7 & under dancers should enter and exit through Studio A/Front office

All dancers are allowed restroom breaks during class. Please encourage your child to use the restroom before class to minimize interruptions.

At dismissal, dancers return to Studio A (or Studio E if Acro-only). Please make eye contact with a staff member before your dancer leaves. We can escort dancers to your car upon request.

Tuition

Tuition is based on the full dance year and divided into equal monthly payments **August through June**.

- Tuition is drafted on the 1st of each month.
- \$35 late fee applied if unpaid by the 10th.
- No July tuition, but registration for the new season will be billed **July 1** unless withdrawal is submitted prior.

Accounts must be current for participation in classes and performances. If opting out of autopay, you must notify us and submit monthly payments on time.

Enrollment, Withdrawal & Class Changes

- Enrollment is open through January 31.
- Students are automatically re-evaluated for the next season and placed accordingly.
- To withdraw, email info@mdadance.com. Once notice is received, you are responsible for tuition for the next 30 days, whether or not your dancer attends class.
 No refunds will be given for tuition, recital fees, or costume fees.
- Class changes (add/switch) are allowed through January 31, space permitting.

Making Up Missed Classes

Missed a class? Email us or check the schedule for a make up class that works with your schedule make-up session in a comparable class. Availability may vary by age and level.

Recital Information & Fees

Our end-of-year recital is a joyful celebration of progress and community. Participation is optional but encouraged.

Recital Dates: June 5-7, 2026 at Summers Corner Performing Arts Center

Fees:

• Recital Fee: \$100 total (billed in two \$50 installments)

• Costume Fee: \$95 per class

• **Tickets**: \$15 (multi-show discounts available)

Payment Schedule:

• Oct 15: \$50 Recital Fee

• Nov 15: \$95 Costume Fee (per class)

• Jan 15: \$50 Recital Fee

Email us before draft dates to request alternate arrangements. Costume fees are **non-refundable**, and no refunds will be issued for recital fees or missed performances. For those that enroll after season begins, payments for recital fees follows monthly schedule as above with first payment being on Dec. 15.

25-26 Studio Closures

We follow the DD2 calendar for the following holidays:

- Labor Day weekend (August 29 -Sept 1)
- Thanksgiving (November 24-29)
- Christmas Break (December 19-Jan 4)
- Spring Break/Easter (March 30-April 6)
- Memorial Day weekend (May 22-25)

We **do not close** for: Presidents Day, MLK Day, or Veterans Day. We honor them by doing what we love to do, Dancing! Closures due to inclement weather or emergencies will be announced via email and social media. We follow DD2 for inclement weather closings

Parent Visitation

We will host in-class parent observations at select points during the year, usually the final 10 minutes of class. For younger classes, visitation will be structured to minimize distractions.

Holiday Performance: December 1 - 6 we will invite parents in the last 10-15 minutes of class to watch a little Christmas Routine!

Illness Policy

Please do not send your dancer to class if they:

- Have had a fever, vomiting, or other symptoms in the past 24 hours (without medication)
- Are experiencing cold/flu symptoms

We reserve the right to send dancers home if they exhibit signs of illness. Please help keep our studio healthy and safe.

Our Staff

Our experienced and passionate staff brings over 100 years of combined teaching and performance experience. All of our staff members have been fully vetted and have passed comprehensive background checks.

- Leadership Team:
- Ms. Christie Owner & Studio Director
- Ms. Courtney Assistant Studio Director & Lead Company Instructor
- Ms. Kelly Company Coordinator & Office Administrator
- Ms. Megan Office Administrator & Company Instructor

• Instructors:

Ms. Jessica, Ms. Crisanna, Ms. Hailey, Ms. Rachel, Ms. Jaeda, Ms. Martina, Ms. Kymia, Ms. Anna, Ms. MaKenna, Coach Brain, Coach Jeremy

• Facilities Manager and Luna's Athleticwear Owner: McCade Johnson