DALIANA DANCE

2026–2027 Handbook | Celebrating Season Sweet 16!

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WELCOME TO SEASON SWEET 16!

Daliana Dance is committed to supporting you and your dancer every step of the way. Whether you are brand new or a returning family, we are here to encourage your dancer's growth—physically, mentally, and artistically. This handbook provides important information about our studio policies, schedule, attire, and expectations. Please take the time to read it thoroughly.

Our Dedication: We are excited to welcome you into the Daliana Dance family!

Warmly,
***Daliana Simons**, Studio Owner & Director*

Please Note: Daliana Dance reserves the right to change, update, or modify policies within this handbook at any point during the season. Should any adjustments occur, notifications and the newly updated handbook will be posted and shared directly via the BAND app.

MISSION STATEMENT & CODE OF ETHICS

At Daliana Dance, we are more than just a studio—we are a community. Our dancers and staff are expected to uphold the highest standards of character and professionalism as we learn, grow, and celebrate the art of dance.

We Value:

- **Integrity:** Be honest, dependable, and respectful. Lead by example and follow through on commitments.
- **Leadership:** Inspire others, contribute positively to the group, and take ownership of your growth.
- **Responsibility:** Follow rules, communicate respectfully, and receive feedback with maturity.
- **Character:** Avoid gossip, negativity, and disrespect. Lift each other up.
- **Professionalism:** Represent yourself and Daliana Dance with pride—in class, online, and in public.

SEASON SNAP-SHOT: WHAT DO WE DO ALL SEASON?

- **July–August:** Registration, Placement, Team Auditions, Prep Classes, Camps, Conditioning
- **September–October:** Choreography, Technique, Bonding, Halloween Fun, Fundraising
- **November–December:** Masterclasses, Rehearsals, Winter Showcase

- **January–April:** Competitions, Photos, Technique
- **May–June:** Showcase, Season Celebration, Optional Intensives

COMMUNICATION & SOCIAL MEDIA

The BAND App

Once registered, you will be invited to our **"Universal Dance Team"** and **"Team Specific"** BAND pages. We utilize the BAND app as our primary source of communication. **It is vital that parents and dancers check BAND regularly for updates.**

- DM with individual questions!
- Do not exchange phone numbers with staff.
- Do not post dancer availability to the calendar unless requested by staff.

Social Media Policy

We love celebrating our dancers on platforms like TikTok, Instagram, Facebook, and Snapchat. However, when dancers post, they represent not just themselves—but also their team, their families, and Daliana Dance as a whole.

- **Stay Positive:** Be kind and respectful in all content.
- **Zero Tolerance:** No bullying, exclusion, or negative comments about any dancers or programs.
- **Choreography Rules:** Avoid sharing full choreography routines. Quick, exciting snippets (under 5 seconds) are okay, but let's keep the full routines under wraps so competitors don't gain an edge.

CLASS PLACEMENT

Class placement at Daliana Dance is first and foremost based on **age**, with additional consideration given to skill level, maturity, commitment, attendance, class dynamics, and availability.

Our experienced and professional teaching staff place dancers where they will thrive both as individuals and as members of a group. Placement may be adjusted during the season to support growth and progress. Please do not approach instructors about placement decisions. All questions must be directed to dalianadance@gmail.com.

PRICING & PATH CHART

Path	Level / Age	Session Rate (6 Wks)	Monthly Academy Rate	What's Included
Discovery	Caregiver & Me	$135	N/A	6 Weeks of themed magic.
Discovery	Petite (2–7)	$170	N/A	6 Weeks + materials + showcase access.
Development	Petite (2–4)	N/A	$125	Monthly tuition + All showcase fees.
Development	Foundational (5–6)	N/A	$225	The Bridge rate + All showcase fees.
Development	Junior/Elite (7+)	N/A	$325	Unlimited classes + All showcase fees.
Distinction	Acro Only (7+)	$185	N/A	Technical mastery + Certified mentorship.
Diamond Legacy	Adult Belly Dance	N/A	$115	Steady rate + Zero hidden fees.

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT INFO

- **Registration Fee:** $50 per family (Billed annually upon enrollment).
- **Monthly Tuition:** Billed as 12 equal payments regardless of holidays, missed classes, or registration date. Tuition is due on the 1st of each month via auto-draft.
- **Late Fees:** A $25 late fee applies after the 5th of the month.
- **Auto-Draft Required:** Visa, MasterCard, or PayPal. If you prefer to prepay with cash or check, contact mmillerdalianadance@outlook.com.
- **Withdrawals:** Requires a **30-day written notice**. No refunds will be issued. Skipping or pausing tuition for a month is not allowed.

EVENT & PRODUCTION INFORMATION

Participation in our studio-wide showcase performances is central to our academy experience and assumed upon registration. If your dancer will not be participating, please notify us in writing at the time of enrollment.

Important Dates & Production Details:

- **Showcase Admission:** Great news! Daliana Dance does not charge an additional entry or participation fee for our studio showcases.
- **Holiday Showcase Brunch & Dinner:** Sunday, December 13, 2026 at the Greensboro Shrine Club.
- **End of Year Showcase:** Sunday, June 6, 2027 at the Carolina Theatre.
- **Optional Media Package Fee:** $60 per dancer (Due March 1). Includes 3 individual professional portraits and 1 structured class routine image.
- **Competition Event Fees:** Billed separately from academy tuition. Please reference the dedicated Competition Agreement for specific event payment plan options.

STUDIO ETIQUETTE

- **Arrive On Time**
- **Water Only** (No open cups)
- **Hair Secured:** Neatly secured back and up.
- **Proper Attire:** Follow the strict dress code.
- **No Phones or Tablets**
- **No Jewelry or Watches**
- **No Food inside dance rooms.**
- **Respectful Environment:** No negativity, gossip, or bullying. Parents welcome to observe except during Showcase and Team Choreography weeks.
- **Unattended Children:** Not permitted in the studio or parking lot.
- **Late Pick-Up Fee:** $20 per 10 minutes after the last class.

FUNDRAISING

We offer both **Individual** and **Team-Wide** fundraising opportunities throughout the competitive season:

- **Individual Fundraisers:** Provided to directly help families reduce their dancer's personal travel and administrative expenses.
- **Team Fundraisers (Mandatory):** These collective efforts support vital group needs such as team send-off gifts, group milestones, celebrations, and program resources.

**Please note that if a dancer leaves the program, any accumulated fundraising balances are non-refundable and are forfeited. To support the coordination, resources, and staffing required to host these programs, Daliana Dance retains a modest 10% administrative fee from all fundraising proceeds.*

DRESS CODE

Being prepared and appropriately dressed reflects discipline and respect for dance, your instructors, and yourself.

Ages 4 & Under:

- Pastel pink, yellow, or light blue leotard.
- Ballet pink convertible tights & ballet pink canvas slippers.

- *X No tutus or crowns, please.*

Ages 5–17 Requirements:

- Colored leotard based on age/level (see below).
- Flesh-toned convertible tights and ballet slippers.
- Black camisole leotard for rehearsals.
- Ballet pink tights & slippers for pointe work.
- Solid black fitted warm-ups only.

Color Coding by Age:

Age Group	Leotard Color
Age 5–6	Black
Age 7–8	Grape / Plum
Age 9–10	Red
Age 11–12	Royal Blue
Age 13+	Black

Tap Classes (All Ages):

- Bloch or Capezio black leather lace-up tap shoes.