

2023-24 HIS Dance Ensemble Requirements Apprentice 1 & 2

Important Dates:

- Saturday, September 30 - Non-refundable \$170 fee and Commitment Form due
- Friday, August 11 - Parent Meeting: 11:30 prior to Summer Intensive Showing at 12:30
- Saturday, December 2 - Parent Meeting 11:30
- Saturday, January 6 - Required Conditioning/ Ballet Technique 9:00-11:00, Devotions 11:00-11:15, & first Apprentice Rehearsal 11:15-12:15
- Saturday, February 3 - (First Full Day Rehearsal) - Required Conditioning/ Ballet Technique Class 9:00-11:00, Devotions 11:00-11:15, full day rehearsal 11:45-5:00 pm

March Performance:

- Friday, March 8 - 7:00 pm Special Preview/Closed Dress Rehearsal
- Saturday, March 9 - 1 & 4:30 pm
- Ensemble Rehearsals end after the March Performance. (Showcase rehearsals begin the Saturday following the Ensemble performance in the same rehearsal time slot.)

Apprentice Ensemble Fee: PLEASE NOTE: The fee is not covered by HIS Scholarships.

- \$170 non-refundable fee by September 30, \$225 after September 30.
 - Additional \$20 fee will be charged on March 1 per family for a Performance Flash Drive
 - Fee includes an Ensemble T-shirt

Ways to reduce your Ensemble Fees with Corporate Advertising and Underwriters (every new or increased ad size:)

- \$25 off Ensemble fee for \$250 in ¼-½ page advertisements sold
- \$25 off Ensemble fee for every \$250 Plie Sponsor
- \$50 off Ensemble fee for every \$500 Grand Plie Sponsor
- \$100 off Ensemble fee for \$1000 Raise the Barre Sponsor
- \$200 off Ensemble fee for every Ballet Presenting Sponsor \$5000+. We are happy to meet with these businesses or individuals.

Summer requirement:

- New to AP 1 (June 6 & 8) - One week at *HIS Dance Academy* and HIS Half Day Intensive (August 7-11) highly encouraged
- AP 1 – One week minimum. Two weeks and HIS Half Day Intensive highly encouraged
- AP 2 - Two week minimum. HIS Half Day Intensive required
- Open House / Celebration: Tuesday, August 15 4:30-7:30
 - Volunteer assignments will be given
 - Dance-A-Thon - Date TBD

Ensemble Requirements:

- Dancer commits to attend all Ensemble classes, rehearsals, performances, and special events.
- The Artistic Directors **must be notified and approve absences a minimum of 2 weeks in advance.**
- **February / March: No Saturday absences are permitted in February and March without a doctor's note.**
- **Any absences during theater week (March 6-9) will result in an automatic dismissal from performances.**
- *Excessive tardiness or absences may result in limited performance opportunities or dismissal from the group.* Directors will watch dancers in and outside of rehearsal to make the safest/best decision for the dancer.
- Dancers will always need to adhere to dress code. Ballet warm-ups are permitted first 15 minutes and in between rehearsals or waiting to rehearse their parts. When fully dancing, warm-ups should be removed.

Class requirement:

- Saturday 9:00-11:00 Conditioning/ Ballet Technique, 11:00-11:15
 - Ballet attire: ¾ black leotard (approved by directors- no low backs or straps)
- (1) Additional Ballet Technique Class for AP1 and AP2 (2 additional classes highly recommended for AP2 dancers)
- AP Modern
- Mandatory Apprentice Ensemble choreography Saturday rehearsals

Pre-performance Rehearsal Schedule:

- Saturday, January 6 - 27 11:15-12:15

- Saturday, February 3 - March 2 11:45-5:00 pm

Performance Week Rehearsal Requirements:

- Monday, March 4 – Attend regular classes at HIS Dance Academy studio
- Tuesday, March 5 – Dress Rehearsal at studio HIS 4-9 pm
- Wednesday, March 6 – Tech Rehearsal DCAW 4-9 pm (partial costume)
- Thursday, March 7 - Tech Rehearsal DCAW 4-9 pm (full costume/hair)
- Friday, March 8 - Closed Dress Rehearsal DCAW 4-9 pm (full costume/hair/makeup)

Performance Requirements:

- Friday, March 8 - Closed Dress Rehearsal DCAW 4-9 pm (Community Night for special guests)
- Saturday, March 9 – 1 & 4:30 pm

Performance Attire Requirements: (Provided by dancer)

- Costume-specific undergarments, tights and shoes will be announced as needed)
- Nude/skin-toned undergarment always recommended (females)
- Make-up: foundation, blush, mascara, bright lipstick, eyeliner, eye shadows (more specific requirements may be given per character)

Parent Volunteer Requirements:

- Each family is required to provide 10 hours of volunteer work.
- Families who have not fulfilled the designated volunteer requirement will be charged \$100 the week after the performance. It will be your responsibility to sign in with the number of hours worked. A sign in sheet will be at the reception desk.
- A Sign-up genius link will be sent out at the August 11 - Parent Meeting: 11:30
- Volunteer hours may include general studio needs if you are unable to find an Ensemble job that works for your family.

Code of Conduct

The purpose of HIS Ensemble is to glorify the Lord Jesus Christ through dance. Our ministry expects each dancer to commit to certain standards regarding attitude, moral conduct, and commitment. We expect each dancer to consider all lifestyle choices within his/her role as a Christian and with respect to how individual actions can influence believers and non-believers. The standards set forth in this Code of Conduct will help ensure the unity, professionalism, and overall quality of the HIS Ensemble.

- Dancer commits to having FUN and joyfully celebrating the love of Christ as we dance together!
- Dancer commits to strengthen, edify, and encourage their fellow dancers and staff and refrain from unwholesome talk. (Ephesians 4:29)
- Dancer will strive to demonstrate the fruit of the Spirit – love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. (Galatians 5:22-23)
- Dancer will seek to live a life of moral and physical purity in accordance with Biblical truth; refrain from sexual immorality, using substances illicitly and self-destructive behaviors. (1 Corinthians 6:18-20)

HIS Statement of Faith

- The Bible is God's perfect handbook for our lives.
- True knowledge of God begins when we establish a relationship with Jesus.
- God's work on earth and in our lives is through His Holy Spirit.
- We cannot earn our way to God short of His gift of grace.
- To grow in our relationship with God, we must have faith in Him.
- God wants to hear from us! So, talk to Him daily in prayer.
- LOVE and SERVE people just as Jesus did.
- Be ready – Jesus is coming again!

Ensemble Commitment Agreement to be filled out online [HERE](#)

Ensemble Commitment Agreement

As a member of HIS Dance Ensemble, I agree to honor the rules and regulations that are set forth in the Code of Conduct. I understand and agree to the HIS Dance Ensemble Requirements. I understand that this is a promise I am making with myself, my fellow dancers, and with God. I also understand that if I do not meet the agreements listed above that the consequence may be limited performance opportunities or dismissal from the Ensemble.

I understand that the applicable Ensemble Fee covers Ensemble Class and related rehearsals only. No additional technique or recreational classes are included with this fee. Fee will be charged to account when student registers for Ensemble class online www.hisdance.org

We agree to volunteer or have our account charged \$100. Initial _____

Parent Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent Email: _____

Student Signature: _____ **Date:** _____