

# Dancers Edge Competition Team Information Package

This handout contains the information you need to know regarding competition and festival for the upcoming season. All dancers in level 2+ will receive a competition package. We will issue a final list of our groups selected for competition on an email update by the end of October.

**THE SIGNED COMPETITION AGREEMENT IN THIS PACKAGE MUST BE RETURNED BY OCTOBER 11th**

**IF YOU ARE CHOOSING NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN COMPETITION PLEASE CHECK OFF THAT OPTION ON THE AGREEMENT.**

**Which competitions/festivals will Dancers Edge be attending this season?**

*We have been asked to add a third competition- we have done just that!*

- Evolve Dance March 5th-7th 2020 (Regina)
- Meet YXE March 26th-29th 2020 (Saskatoon)
- Spring Stars April 28th-May 2nd 2020 (Saskatoon)

**Do I have to attend all 3 competitions to participate?**

New this season is that competitive families must attend **both** Saskatoon competitions in order to participate in competitions. Regina competition will be **OPTIONAL**. If you choose to compete this season, you will attend both Meet YXE and Spring Stars with the **OPTION** to go to Evolve.

**Do I need to be present during the entire competition?** Good Question!! You absolutely do not have to be at the competition the entire event. If your dancer is only in one dance you may only need to be there for a couple hours. The specific schedule of when your child will dance is unknown until 4-6 weeks prior to the competition. We do strongly encourage our competition families to stick around and watch our other entries on days when you are able to do so (we love to support each other- as a dancer there is nothing better than having your studio cheering you on from the audience).

**What are the requirements to go to competitions?**

Competitive dancers must fulfill a few requirements in order to compete:

1. Pay Competition Fees (see section on fees).
2. Maintain good attendance. After Christmas we hold competition families to an attendance policy (highlighted in the competition agreement). Dancers are permitted 3 **UNEXCUSED** absences per class after Christmas..
  - Examples of an **EXCUSED** absence: dancer is sick, religious obligations, dancer is stranded and unable to get to dance because of bad weather, family death or serious illness.

- Examples of an UNEXCUSED absence: sporting events or games, concerts, or school dances. An unexcused absence boils down to skipping dance for another activity. If you need further clarification regarding this please speak with our office.
  - NEW this season- family vacations will not count against unexcused absences. We prioritize family at DE and we believe that family trips are important. That being said, missing more than 3 classes due to a family trip, may mean adding private lessons for the dancer to make sure they do not fall behind.
3. Attend the weekend Spring Competition Practice in the spring. This is a MANDATORY event. However, if a dancer has a viable excuse (must be approved by Studio Owner) for not being present, we may make exceptions.
  4. Attend a minimum of 3 Intensive classes from November-March. A full schedule of these classes has been included in this package.

**\*\*Intensive Program: We have decided to change our approach to our previously titled “stretch and tech” program. Intensive programs will be an hour long class in core genres of dance (jazz, ballet, tap and hip-hop). These classes do not happen on a weekly basis- SEE SCHEDULE ATTACHED. Dancers will attend classes that pertain to genres of dance they are enrolled in.**

*Dancers who participate in Musical Theater or Modern will partake in Jazz Intensives.*

The Dancers Edge Staff notice significant improvements in many of our dancers as a result of intensive classes. The cost for this program is built into your competition fees. Recreational dancers are welcome to attend these classes on a drop-in basis at \$5.00/class. The cost for the Intensives Program will be incorporated into Competition Fees (\$30/dancer). This price includes unlimited intensive classes for competitive dancers (you do not need to sign up for stretch classes simply show up and sign in with the instructor). Please take advantage of these classes to help your dancer grow and succeed!

**Competition Fees:** Competition Fees cover entry fees into the competition and costs associated with the studio sending staff to the competitions (hotel rooms, gas, wages ect). We have attempted to keep costs as low as possible, but we do understand that competitions do come at a price. This is where your fundraising can impact the amount owing for competitions.

<b>Routine</b>	<b>Saskatoon Competition Fees (BOTH Spring Stars and Meet YXE)</b>	<b>OPTIONAL- Evolve Dance (Regina)</b>	<b>TOTALS FOR DOING ALL COMPETITIONS PER ROUTINE</b>
<b>SOLOS</b>	\$100/dancer INCLUDES GST	\$90/dancer INCLUDES GST	<b>\$190.00</b>
<b>DUETS</b>	\$85/dancer INCLUDES GST	\$65/dancer INCLUDES GST	<b>\$150.00</b>
<b>TRIOS</b>	\$85/dancer INCLUDES GST	\$65/dancer INCLUDES GST	<b>\$150.00</b>
<b>GROUPS</b>	\$75/dancer INCLUDES GST	\$60/dancer INCLUDES GST	<b>\$135.00</b>

*Note: Intensive cost previously listed is not included in this price*

**Competition Payment Options:**

- 1. Paid in Full:** Pay in full with credit card, Etransfer, or exact cash. 5% discount will be applied to the invoice if paid in full.
- 2. Pay in 2 instalments:** October 18th & February 7th 2020 with Credit Card or Pre-Authorized Debit.
- 3. Paid in 4 instalments:** October 18th, November 15th, January 10th, February 7th with Credit Card or Pre-authorized Debit.
- 4. Paid in 6 Instalments:** October 18th, November 15th, January 10th, February 7th, March 20th, April 24th with Credit Card or Pre-Authorized Debit.

## **2019/2020 DE Competition Team Agreement**

**RETURN THIS AGREEMENT BY OCTOBER 11<sup>TH</sup>-EVEN IF YOU ARE NOT WANTING TO COMPETE**

Any families interested in being a part of the 2019/2020 DE competition team must read, sign and return this particular page of the package by October 11th.

**Please fill out a form for each dancer in your family.**

### **Competition Team Requirements:**

**Attendance:** Beginning in January, competitive dancers are ONLY permitted 3 UNEXCUSED ABSENCES from each of their competition classes. If a dancer hits their 4<sup>th</sup> UNEXCUSED ABSENCE they WILL NOT be permitted to attend competition and any fees already paid will be forfeited. Excused absences need to be reported to the studio within 24hours after missing the class or it will be counted as an unexcused absence. Dancers who are more than 15 minutes late for classes may also be marked as unexcused (at the instructor's discretion).

**Intensives:** I understand that competition dancers are required to attend a minimum of 3 Intensive classes by March 1st 2020 in order to be on the competition team.

**Competition Practices:** I understand that competition dancers are required to attend the scheduled extra competition practice on February 9th 2020.

**Fees:** I understand that ALL competition fees must be paid on time in order for my child to attend competition. Failure to pay competition fees on time may result in my child being unable to attend competition as well as late charged (as per the studio policy on NSF and late fees). I understand that should my child not meet the competition team requirements as outlined in this agreement, competition fees will still be non-refundable. Competition Fees paid are NON-REFUNDABLE.

By signing this agreement I acknowledge that I have read and agree to the 2019/2020 competition agreement listed above. I understand that if my dancer does not comply with any of the requirements outlined in this agreement they will not be permitted to attend competition and we will be forfeiting any competition fees that have already been paid.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dancers First & Last Name

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Parent or Guardian Signature (if dancer is under 18 years of age)

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Date

### **My dancer would like to attend...(Select one box from below)**

- ☐ EVOLVE COMPETITION REGINA (March 5-8 2020)
- ☐ ONLY SASKATOON COMPETITIONS (Spring Stars & Meet YXE)
- ☐ Please check this box if you **DO NOT** wish to be on the DE Competition Team for 2019/2020.

**My dancer has        Years of experience (including this season) in all styles of dance.**

**Payment Schedule:**

☐ **Paid in full:** 5% Discount

☐ **2 Instalments:** October 21st 2019 & February 7th 2020

☐ **4 Instalments:** October 21st 2019, November 22ndth 2019, January 10th 2020, February 7th 2020

☐ **6 Instalments:** October 21st 2019, November 22nd 2019, January 10th 2020, February 7th 2020, March 20th 2020, April 24th 2020

**Payment Type:**

☐ Etransfer (PAID IN FULL ONLY)

☐ Exact Cash (PAID IN FULL ONLY)

☐ Credit Card

☐ Pre-Authorized Debit (INSTALMENTS ONLY)

AN INVOICE WILL BE ISSUED BY OCTOBER 14TH 2019. PAYMENT WILL BE DUE OCTOBER 21ST.