

Summer Solo Duo & Trio Lesson Information

In order to ensure that we are able to provide adequate instruction and lesson time for those doing solos, duos and trios, we have asked each instructor to determine a set number of routines that they are able to accommodate for the 2018 season. Those wishing to learn a solo, duo or trio routine will need to fill out a request form and we will accept requests up to the number of lesson slots we have available for each instructor. Please keep in mind that we will do our best to allow all those who wish to do solos, duos and trios the opportunity to do so. We feel that these routines help to build confidence and maturity among dancers. We do, however, want the solo/duo/trio experience to be a positive one for everyone involved. By ensuring that we do not book more routines than our instructors can offer adequate practice time for we will make sure that the routines will receive the attention that they deserve. Remember, we are always looking for **QUALITY** over quantity when it comes to the routines we are putting on stage.

Solo, Duo and Trio Eligibility

The option to do a solo, duo or trio routine to compete next season is available to all dancers on the PACC Team with the following limitations based on your current team placement:

- ☆ Levels 1 & 2- 1 routine max, duo/trio only (no solos)
- ☆ Levels 5 & 6- 3 routines max including up to 2 solos
- ☆ Levels 3 & 4- 2 routines max including up to 1 solo
- ☆ Levels 7 & Up- 4 routines max including up to 2 solos

Dancers who wish to exceed these maximums will need to ask Suzy for special permission.

Solo, Duo and Trio Scheduling

We utilize the summer months to work on solo, duo and trio choreography. Most lessons are during the daytime hours and we work with you and your instructor to find a lesson schedule that works for both of you. We will schedule an initial 2 hours of lessons for you to learn choreography. We may schedule these as 4 lessons that are 30 mins each or 2 lessons that are 1 hour each, or for the more advanced dancers we may even schedule a single 2-hour lesson. After this initial 2 hours you will need to schedule additional time as needed to finish the choreography.

Once fall lessons start, you will have a set lesson time once a month for 30 mins. You may request additional lessons above and beyond the required 30 mins once a month if desired and we will work with you and your instructor to try to accommodate this. These monthly lessons will continue until you have competed your solo for the last time.

Solo/Duo/Trio Costumes

Dancers will be given options of websites to look for costumes on. All costume choices must be approved by both your instructor and Suzy and must be ordered through the studio unless special permission is received to order it on your own. We do our best to keep costume fees to a minimum for solo/duo/trios and encourage the dancers to re-use costumes when possible. Costume fees are not included in any of the fees listed above.

Lesson Pricing

All lesson prices are for 30-minute lessons. It initially takes 2-3 hours worth of lessons to learn the choreography for a routine. Dancers are required to have at least 30 mins of practice monthly in order to be eligible to compete their routine at competitions.

- ☆ Solo lessons- \$25/half-hour lesson
- ☆ Duo/Trio lessons- \$15/half-hour lesson per person

Once your routine request has been submitted and approved you will have to pay an initial deposit of \$100 per solo and \$60 per duo/trio, which will cover your initial 2 hours of lessons.

Competing Your Solo/Duo/Trio Routine

You will have options for competing your solo, duo or trio routine. Estimated costs shown are based on 2017 prices (this may change if fees increase and depends on which competitions we attend next season). All duo/trio fees are listed per person.

- ☆ Spooktacular Only- this option is good for those trying out a solo/duo/trio for the first time or for those not wanting to commit to lessons for the whole season. Dancers will learn their routine over the summer and will be required to have one half hour lesson in September and October and then will compete at Spooktacular the end of October. After that you will be done practicing and competing your routine. Competition fees for Spooktacular will need to be paid the beginning of September.
 - Solo fees for Spooktacular only- \$40
 - Duo/Trio fees for Spooktacular only- \$35
- ☆ Whole Season Competitor (10% DISCOUNT!)- this option will be for those wishing to compete your routine throughout the season. Dancers will learn their routine over the summer and will be required to have one half hour lesson each month September through the last competition you attend. You will be registered to compete your solo at all competitions that you have a team competing at. After our team auditions are completed you will be given a total amount of PACC Fees for your solo, duo or trio routine based on your level placement and which competitions your teams will be attending. These fees will be divided up monthly the same way our team fees are so that you do not have to pay for them all at once. Duos/Trios will be registered based on the person at the lowest level in the duo/trio. This will help avoid all your fees being due at one time and you will receive a 10% discount on your solo/duo/trio fees for the season!
 - Solo Level 3-4- \$340 regular price, discounted at \$306 = \$34 per month, includes Spooktacular

- Solo Level 5-6 - \$450 regular price, discounted at \$405 = \$45 per month, includes Spooktacular
- Solo Level 7-8 - \$500 regular price, discounted at \$450 = \$50 per month, does NOT include Spooktacular
- Solo Level 9-10 - \$670 regular price, discounted at \$603 = \$67 per month, does NOT include Spooktacular
- Duo/Trio Level 1-2 - \$220 regular price, discounted at \$198 = \$22 per month, includes Spooktacular
- Duo/Trio Level 3-4 - \$280 regular price, discounted at \$252 = \$28 per month, includes Spooktacular
- Duo/Trio Level 5-6 - \$350 regular price, discounted at \$315 = \$35 per month, includes Spooktacular
- Duo/Trio Level 7-8 - \$380 regular price, discounted at \$342 = \$38 per month, does NOT include Spooktacular
- Duo/Trio Level 9-10 - \$400 regular price, discounted at \$360 = \$40 per month, does NOT include Spooktacular
- ☆ Selective Competitor- this option allows you to select the competitions you wish to compete your routine at. You will be eligible to compete your solo at all competitions that you have a team competing at. Duos/Trios will be eligible to compete at competitions based on the person at the lowest level in the duo/trio. For example- if your team level is 5-6 you can compete your routine at any competition that level 5-6 teams attend, but not those that only levels 7 & up attend. Payment for all the competitions you wish to attend will be due Nov. 1st (except Spooktacular- due the beginning of September).
 - Solos at Spooktacular/Spring Fling- \$40 each, all other competitions range from \$95-\$120
 - Duos at Spooktacular/Spring Fling- \$35 each, all other competitions range from \$55-\$65

Solo, Duo and Trio Requests

All routine requests must be turned in by **May 15th**. Dancers need to know a style of dance and instructor 1st and 2nd choice when placing their request (or you can elect to allow our instructors to choose a style that best suits the dancer). You do not need to have a specific duo/trio partner(s) in mind to submit a request. We would be happy to help come up with a partner(s) that would dance well with you. After the May 15th deadline all requests will be evaluated and you will be notified of your request status within 2 weeks. You will receive an email letting you know that your routine was either accepted, accepted with additional requirements, or on the waiting list.

- ☆ **Accepted**- Your routine request was accepted and you will be notified of which instructor you were approved for (either your 1st or 2nd choice) and your lesson schedule options. At this time you will have to finalize your request by scheduling and paying for your initial 2 hours of lessons.
- ☆ **Accepted with Additional Requirements**- Your routine request was accepted as long as you agree to the additional requirements given. This may be an additional technique class in a certain style of dance or additional private lessons each month, etc. You will be notified of which instructor you were approved for (either your 1st or 2nd choice) and your lesson schedule options. At this time you will have to agree to the additional requirements and finalize your request by scheduling and paying for your initial 2 hours of lessons.
- ☆ **On Hold**- Your routine request was put on the waiting list at this time for one of the following possible reasons:
 - Both your 1st and 2nd choice instructors are full. You can either wait to see if a time slot opens up for one of them or you can choose a different instructor that has time available.
 - We are waiting to hear from your duo/trio partner(s). Either you asked us to select a partner(s) for you and we are contacting them or you selected your own partner(s) but they did not fill out a request form so we are waiting to hear back from them. We require that all duo/trio members have a parent-signed request form turned in before scheduling any lessons.
 - You have requested multiple routines and we are unable to accommodate them all due to scheduling constraints. In this case, you may have requested 2 solos and one was accepted but the other is on hold to see if availability opens up. We want to ensure everyone gets to do one routine before adding multiple solos for people.
 - Your request may be on hold due to unusual or extenuating circumstances or if we are working to see if we can accommodate your specific needs.

Tips for ensuring your routine request is accepted:

- ☆ Turn all requests in on time.
- ☆ Ensure that all partners for a duo or trio routine turn in a request form.
- ☆ Be flexible on instructors... choosing "No Preference" for your instructor 2nd choice will allow you to still have a 1st choice preference but be open to those available if you can't get your 1st choice.
- ☆ For duos/trios, consider putting in a request without listing a specific person as your partner. Allowing staff to match you with a suitable partner or partners will ensure that you are dancing with someone who they feel is well suited to your level and style of movement.

Dancers may be asked to participate in a duo or trio even if you did not put in a request. If we feel you would be well suited to dance with someone we may offer you a routine acceptance. You will then have the opportunity to agree to the acceptance or deny it.

Pageant Requests

Spooktacular and Spring Fling offers two different pageants to those doing 2 solos and one duo/trio. Spring Fling also offers the Super Star of the North pageant. This requires the dancer to be over 13 years of age, have 2 solos, 1 duo/trio and 1 team. If you wish to run for one of these pageants you will need to mark this on your solo request form. This will be accepted based on the routines you are approved for, your age group and level and the number of dancers wishing to run for a pageant. There are additional fees associated with running for a pageant.