

Woods School of Irish Dance Policies 2024-2025

Registration

You can register for classes using the Studio Director website. Please ignore the parts about payment. No payment is taken through the site.

Tuition

Dancing is a full-year commitment. You can pay in full in September or in 2 equal installments (September, & February). Cash payment can be made at the first class of the session. We do not accept credit cards or personal checks. Please put your name, your child's name, and the class they attend on the envelope so payments can be accurately recorded.

• 2024/2025 due dates are as follows:

Fall Installment Due September 10, 2025 (first day of classes)

Winter Installment Due February 1, 2025 (first class in February)

 Extra practice classes-\$10 per hour. Everyone is welcome to come to these classes.
We practice light shoe dances, hard shoe dances and teams. Remember, practice makes for great results at competitions. These classes are held at the SBNH. I will post the Saturday schedule once I confirm the time and space at the Neighborhood House. <u>Ceili class-</u> \$200 a semester. NO MISSED CLASSES! There will be Ceili classes on Saturdays also.

<u>Late Fees</u> Any tuition received over 1 week after the due date will be assessed a \$25.00 late fee.

<u>Refunds</u> All fees are non-refundable. By signing this contract you are obligated to pay a full year of dance (September through June) even if the dancer decides not to return.

Attendance Policies

Regular attendance is necessary to promote a good learning environment. Woods School has the right to place a student in another class because of excessive absences and/or tardiness. Be sure to alert Woods School, in writing, if there is a situation where your child will have an extended series of absences. We do not give refunds or credit for missed classes.

Students who drop out midyear must notify the studio in writing of their plans to withdraw from the class. Full-year tuition is due in full before written plans of your child's withdrawal.

Missed Classes

If your child misses a class they are more than welcome to do a make-up class in another class. Unfortunately, we can not give refunds or credits for missed classes. We ask that if your child has been sick you wait 24 hours after they are better to send them to class.

Studio Closures

We generally follow the public schools cancellation policy for weather closures (Boston Public Schools for South Boston studio and Cohasset Public Schools for Cohassett studio). <u>If there is no school, there is no dancing</u>. Please, check your email and our social media accounts for updates.

Class Placement

Students are placed in classes according to their age, ability, attitude, and achievement. If a student is struggling with the pace of a class, the teacher has the right to reassign them to a more suitable class. Only your child's teacher will be able to determine the proper class. Teachers will monitor the student's progress by the standards of An Commission (the Irish Dancing Organization in Ireland).

Bullying

Bullying is defined as using superior strength or influence to intimidate (someone), typically to force him or her to do what one wants.

Bullying in any form is not tolerated at the Murphy Academy. Parents and dancers are held to the highest standard to respect each other and others inside and outside of class, performances, and competitions.

Social Media & Photography

No one has permission to post any information on behalf of the Woods School. Please use discretion when writing about and posting pictures of our dancers.

All choreography - steps and performance choreography - is owned by the Woods School of Irish Dance. Do not share videos in their entirety.

Parents and dancers must never write negatively about events, performances, or competitions and never about other dancers, schools, teachers, or adjudicators. Dance families are to abide by laws governing defamation, discrimination, harassment, copyright, and fair use.

The Woods School may take photographs of students in classes, performances, and/or competitions for advertising/marketing purposes.

Please Be Advised that by signing up for classes at the Woods School, our school and instructors are not liable for personal injury, loss or damage to personal property. Dance and exercise are physical activities, and injuries may occur. Any student may decline to participate in any activity and must inform the instructor of any physical limitations that may prevent full class participation.