



Cincy STARS Competition Team 2019-2020

Competition Team Information:

Congratulations on being selected to join our 2019-2020 Competition Team, the Cincy STARS! The competition team is a select group of dancers who demonstrate excellence in dance and performing. As a member of our competing team, you will experience a new and exciting level of dance, performing, the thrill of competition, and bonding with your team members/instructors.

Our competition team will require a higher level of commitment; both in weekly classes, competition rehearsals and financially (including classes/rehearsals, competition/workshop fees, costumes, travel, etc...). There will also be requirements regarding attendance, as our team needs to be prepared as they enter competitions. Parent involvement is highly encouraged and is required for all fundraising opportunities.

The team will attend one mandatory and another optional dance convention during Fall 2019 and 4-5 competitions during February-April 2020. We can discuss the interest in attending a National Competition at our first team meeting, but please keep in mind this will extend our season through June or even July.

Members will have the opportunity to compete in the following forms of dance: Tap, Jazz, Hip Hop, Musical Theatre & Lyrical. Lauren will also select dancers to participate in Solos, Duets and Trios. STARS will also be selected to perform chosen routines in our June 2020 Recital.

REQUIREMENTS:

All dancers must be enrolled in a Technique or Ballet class during the 2019-2020 season. In addition to that class, dancers enrolled in Jazz, Tap, Lyrical, Musical Theatre and/or Hip Hop classes will also be considered for competition routines in those categories. Attendance in weekly classes is MANDATORY!

Competition teams members are expected to conduct themselves in a respectful manner during class time. They have been selected to be a part of this team and should represent the studio in a professional manner at all times. Both in the studio and on social media. The privilege of being on Cincy Dance Studio's competition team can be taken away due to bad behavior, absences and "DIVA" attitudes!

REHEARSALS

Each dancer will receive a list of their competition dances at our August 2020 meeting. An email will be sent with that meeting date after members are confirmed. Solo, Duo & Trio rehearsals can begin in July/August. A list of scheduled dances and rehearsal times will be available at the start of each month. Dancers chosen for a Solo, Duo or Trio will have weekly scheduled rehearsals throughout our 2019-2020 regular season schedule. Saturday Rehearsals for our group routines will begin September 28 and are scheduled 10:00am-2:00pm. We will not have Saturday practices when the studio is closed during the holidays. If you miss more than 3 rehearsals for a routine, you risk being cut from that routine! PLEASE NOTE: The last rehearsal before a competition is MANDATORY to attend.

SUMMER 2019: All team members must attend STARS Bootcamp for instruction in all styles of dances as well as conditioning for strength, flexibility and technique.

August 19-22, 5:00-7:30pm

A detailed schedule will be email closer to the Camp

Cost : \$100.00

ALL REHEARSALS ARE MANDATORY! PLEASE CONSIDER OUTSIDE CONFLICTS BEFORE COMMITTING TO THE TEAM!

FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

There are many expenses involved with being on a competitive dance team; Rehearsal fees, competition fees, team gear (jacket, jewelry, etc...), costumes, makeup, travel expenses and the cost of required weekly dance classes. **PLEASE MAKE ALL COMPETITION RELATED CHECKS PAYABLE TO: CINCY STARS!**

Parents will be responsible for organizing all fundraising. Each parent can choose a month to plan the fundraising which should include funding, communication with team and coming up with ideas. The studio is available for events, but it is not the responsibility of Lauren or other instructors to lead or fund fundraising events. Money received through fundraising will be divided between each team member participating in the fundraiser and put into the Cincy STARS account. Expenses that are not covered by fundraising is the full responsibility of the parent.

1. **Team Fee:** The team fee is \$65.00 per month. This covers all group rehearsals for the season. Fees will be due at the first of each month. Payments begin September 1. Your last payment will be April 1. Payments not received by the 5th of the month will result in a \$15.00 late fee. NO EXCEPTIONS! ***If we decide on a National Competition for 2020 your STARS fees would extend to June 1.**
2. **Solo, Duo & Trios:** If you are participating in a solo you will have an additional fee of \$525.00 and Duo/Trios \$325.00 per dancer. This covers choreography & private rehearsals for the ENTIRE season. Half of your fee is due at your dancers first rehearsal and the second half is due in full by October 1st. Failure to pay on time will result in your dancers routine being stoped! Contact Lauren for additional payment options if needed.
3. **Costumes:** Average cost for costumes is \$95-\$150. All costume fees are due by October 15.
4. **Competition Fees:** All competition fees will be due two months prior to the event. Competition fees typically run \$50-\$55 per dancer for each group routine, \$110 for each solo and \$65 per dancer for duo/trios. A detailed list will be sent out well in advance of the competition with a break down of your dancer's fees. **If accounts are not current by the due date, the dancer will not be entered in the competition!**

Cincy STARS- Dancer Information Form

Name _____ D.O.B. _____

Parent's Phone _____ Dancer's Phone _____

Parent's E-mail Address _____

Dancer's Email Address _____

of dances you want to be considered for during the 2019-2020 season:

- Group
- Duo/Trio *indicate the style of dance
- Solo *indicate the style of dance
- No Limit to # of dances

*This will affect the cost of your competition entry fees, weekly rehearsal time and costumes

*All Solo request must be approved by Lauren

*Duos/Trio dancers will be chosen based on style/choreographer

Please provide a copy of your Birth Certificate to keep on file if I don't already have it

I have read the Competition Team Guidelines and understand the level of commitment necessary to be a member of Cincy Dance Studio's Competition Team. By signing this form I am committing myself to the 2019-2020 team.

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

Please submit this form to the studio by SATURDAY JULY 6

Cincy STARS

2019-2020 Convention & Competition Dates

All dates will be confirmed at our first team meeting

Convention:

KAR

Sunday November 3

Cincinnati, OH -Duke Energy Center

Time: 8:00am-4:00pm Cost: \$125.00 Due: October 15

NEXXUS- November 15-17 *Optional Convention*

Columbus, OH

Competitions:

ID Dance Competition: February 15-16

Cincinnati, OH

Stage One: February 28-March 1

Northern Kentucky Convention Center

KAR: March 6-8

Mason, OH

Rainbow: March 13-16

Columbus, OH

Energy: March 20-22

Mason, OH

Showstoppers: April 17-19

Indianapolis, IN

Additional competition dates will be available for us to choose from at the August team meeting