



Motion Youth Dance Company Information Package | STAGE DIVISION

Company Season: September 10, 2022 - June 19, 2023

OUR VISION

Motion Youth Dance Company (M.D.C.) provides the opportunity for students to develop their dancing past the recreational level and become more technical dancers and performers. Motion Dance Co. is a performance & experience-based dance company, which includes, but is not limited to, local performances, unique workshops, conventions, competitions and travel. Motion Dance Co. was created with the vision to develop children, youth and teens physically, mentally and technically as dancers, but also gain valuable life experiences through performances, training and travel, which in turn develops friendships and a dance family that will last a lifetime!

Our lower-level cohorts are aimed to develop M.D.C. students' technical & performance skills by performing at community events and participating in local dance workshops/competitions/festivals. With the upper-level cohorts, dancers will be given the opportunity to travel abroad and study at international dance academies, perform in places beyond the lower mainland and gain travel experience all at the same time.

Dance will benefit your child no matter what path they take after graduation. We aim to grow and expand your dancer's work ethic, perseverance, team building, and passion to create healthy, balanced individuals both inside and out!

M.D.C. YEAR AT A GLANCE

Fall Season (Sept-Dec)

- Festival/Competition choreo will be completed and showcased in our Winter Recital
- 1-3 Performance Opportunities (Winter Showcase, and other community events)
- 1-2 Workshops (outside of class time)
- 1-2 optional Sunday rehearsals for additional Winter Showcase routine choreography

Winter Season (Jan-Mid May)

- Dancers clean Festival/Comp routines
- Dancers attend Spring Comp/Festival & K.Y.M. recital
- 1-2 Workshops or other community performances

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Spring Season (Mid May & June)

Workshop Series | Placement Classes | June Performances | Wrap-Up Party

Please Note: The May/June Schedule will be emailed out in the new year as it does change

- After the recital, training and class hours will shift as we finish out the M.D.C. Dance Year with a fun, educational and company bonding Workshop Series! This is a period of workshops and seminars that will cover a wide range of dance styles and dance-related topics. For Example, this year we did a Cultural Dance Series including Pow Wow, Polynesian, Flamenco, Bhangra, Samba and Bulgarian Folk.
- During our KYM Spring "Try It Out" Season we will hold placement classes for the following MDC dance year.
- There is a possibility of June performances
- Our Wrap-Up party will take place near the end of the dance season

Summer Season (July & August)

Conditioning Classes | Optional Summer Performances

- We will be hosting summer conditioning classes and HIGHLY encourage all MDC & RAD Ballet dancers to maintain their technique, strength and flexibility through participation
- Summer Performances that fall outside of the M.D.C. Season Schedule (July & August) will be optional.

Performances/Competitions/Festivals

- In general, all performances, comps/festivals and rehearsals throughout the M.D.C training year are **mandatory** and, in the MDC program, **take precedence over other activities or events.**
- We are going to be attending a festival/competition in the spring. Please be aware that the dancer's scheduled performance time for the festival may fall at any time during the week and may fall during school hours. Your dancer is excepted to be at the comp/festival.
- We try to give ample notice for Performance Schedules and Extra Rehearsal times and a rough schedule will be emailed out at the beginning of the dance year.

Travel & Trips

- Larger Travel & Trips will likely take place during one of these three times: March Break, Mid May or during summer.
- Trips may be for the entire company or cohort-specific
- Our next big trip is being planned for Spring/Summer 2024 with a smaller trip in 2023.



COHORTS

- *Propel* (starts at age 6yrs or Grade 1)
- *Momentum*
- *Accelerate*
- *Velocity*
- *Kinetic*

Cohorts are grouped primarily on technical ability, speed at which dancers pick up exercises & routines as well as maturity (much of this has to do with technical safety for your dancer's body). We do also take into consideration a dancer's passion, work ethic, age and the cohort they have developed relationships with, but this is not the primary grouping method.

** Please note: Your dancer can always move into a cohort that requires less time commitment, if needed for your family. You must email us to discuss this option.*

DANCER PLACEMENT

Propel

Abby A.
Ellia C.
Elizabeth Y.
Ava V.
Emilia M.
Hana C.
Emily M.
Florence L.
Gabriella C.
Mackenzie T.
Abigail M.
Alyssa C.
Alex M.
Ellie W.

Momentum

Olivia L.
Hayden S.
Celes G.
Emily S.
Jovana R.
Grace A.
Emmalisa H.

Accelerate

Olivia O.
Aili M.
Charlotte A.
Katelyn O.
Kaia P.
Maiya C.
Kensie G.
Elisabeth T.
Naseeb S.
Elena B.
Hazel F.
Alice R.

Velocity

Jayleen M.
Arianna C.
Maya S.
Alexis C.
Unjali H.
Maëlle L.
Alannah C.
Natalie T.
Esme VG.
Sasha C.

Kinetic

Abby B.
Emma C.
Ciara F.
Addison JR.
Miranda M.
Natalie N.
Sarah R.
Teagan R.



2022/2023 WEEKLY CLASS REQUIREMENT

PROPEL

Minimum of 2 Hrs of Class Per Week (2 Days Per Week)

- Monday 5:00-6:00pm - M.D.C. Company Jazz
- Wednesday 4:00-5:00pm - M.D.C. Company Ballet

We **highly recommend an R.A.D Ballet, Lyrical, Acro or Contemporary Class as well*

MOMENTUM

Minimum of 3 Hrs of Class Per Week (2 Days Per Week)

- Monday 4:00-5:00pm - M.D.C. Company Jazz
- Monday 5:00-6:00pm - M.D.C. Company Ballet
- Wednesday 5:00-6:00 M.D.C. Company Choreography

We **highly recommend an R.A.D Ballet, Lyrical, Acro or Contemporary Class as well*

ACCELERATE

Minimum of 4 Hrs of Class Per Week (2-3 Days Per Week)

- Monday 6:00-7:00 - M.D.C. Company Jazz
- Wednesday 4:45-5:45pm - M.D.C. Company Ballet
- Wednesday 6:00-7:00pm - M.D.C. Company Choreography

+1 Additional Classes From This List:

- Friday - Acro (at your dancers level)
- Thursday - Kids Lyrical or Youth Lyrical
- Tuesday - Kids Contemporary
- Wednesday - Youth Contemporary
- Sunday - R.A.D Ballet at your appropriate grade (This is your dancer's pathway to pointe. Ask us for Grade placement if unknown)

**You can always take more additional classes than the requirement*

VELOCITY

Minimum of 4-5 Hrs of Class Per Week (3-4 Days Per Week)

- Monday - 7:00-8:15pm - M.D.C. Company Jazz
- Wednesday 5:45-7:00pm - M.D.C. Company Ballet
- Wednesday 7:00-8:00pm - M.D.C. Company Choreography

+ 2 Additional Classes

1 From This List:

- Friday - Acro (at your dancers level)
- Thursday - Youth or Teen Lyrical
- Wednesday - Youth or Teen Contemporary

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- Sunday or Tuesday - R.A.D Ballet at your appropriate grade (This is your dancer's pathway to pointe. Ask us for Grade placement if unknown)

1 From This List:

- Any of the above options
- Friday - Youth or Teen Hip Hop (MDC Hip Hop also counts towards additional classes)

KINETIC

Minimum of 5-6 Hrs of Class Per Week (3-5 Days Per Week)

- Monday 7:00-8:15pm - M.D.C. Company Ballet
- Monday 8:15-9:30pm - M.D.C. Company Jazz
- Wednesday 8:00-9:00pm - M.D.C. Company Choreography

+2 Additional Classes

1 From This List:

- Friday - Acro (at your dancer's level)
- Thursday - Teen Lyrical
- Wednesday - Teen Contemporary
- Tuesday - R.A.D Ballet (This is your dancer's pathway to pointe. Ask for grade placement if unknown)

1 From This List:

- Any of the above options
- Friday - Teen Hip Hop (MDC Hip Hop also counts towards additional classes)

TUITION

This year, we are introducing an **all-inclusive tuition model** to avoid constant fee posting to your account. You can set up your payment method and be done!

Registration Fee: \$400 + GST/MDC Dancer

The Registration Fee is collected at the time of registration and covers: Workshops/Bonding Events, Branded Motion Youth Dance Company Gear, Costumes, Photo Day, Additional Rehearsals, Guest Choreographer/Instructor Fees, Winter Recital & K.Y.M year-end recital.

The Registration Fee is NOT refundable/creditable for missed additional rehearsals, workshops, photo days etc. If a dancer withdraws from MDC, a refund is not guaranteed and is based on what has already been paid out for and booked.

Tuition Fee Chart

Tuition is based on the hours of classes your dancer is enrolled in. Tuition covers your weekly M.D.C. Lessons and is NOT calculated by season or class count like our regular KYM classes.

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but encompasses the entire year. Monthly tuition is **due by the 15th of the month prior to the month it is covering** (ex. September tuition is due Aug 15th). Payment can be made by:

- **POST DATED CHEQUES** made out to MOTION & MUSIC PERFORMING ARTS INC.
- **SCHEDULED E-TRANSFERS.** Set up recurring E-transfers from your financial institution to jess@kidsinmotiondance.com
- **CREDIT CARD AUTOPAY.** You can set up your credit card to AutoPay through your Parent Portal.

Can I Pay In Larger Installments?

You may also opt to pay tuition all at once, due August 15th or pay tuition in two larger installments due Aug 15 and January 15. Please let me know if you wish to use these options as I will post your tuition differently to your account.

Hours (Weekly)	Monthly (+GST)	Year (10 Months +GST)
2 hr	\$115	\$1,150
2.25 hr	\$130	\$1,300
2.5 hr	\$145	\$1,450
2.75 hr	\$160	\$1,600
3 hr	\$175	\$1,750
3.25 hr	\$185	\$1,850
3.5 hr	\$195	\$1,950
3.75 hr	\$205	\$2,050
4 hr	\$215	\$2,150
4.25 hr	\$222.5	\$2,225
4.5 hr	\$230.0	\$2,300
4.75 hr	\$237.5	\$2,375

Hours (Weekly)	Monthly (+GST)	Year (10 Months +GST)
5 hr	\$242.5	\$2,425
5.25 hr	\$247.5	\$2,475
5.5 hr	\$252.5	\$2,525
5.75 hr	\$255.0	\$2,550
6 hr	\$260.0	\$2,600
6.25 hr	\$262.5	\$2,625
6.5 hr	\$265.0	\$2,650
6.75 hr	\$267.5	\$2,675
7 hr	\$270.0	\$2,700
7.25 hr	\$272.5	\$2,725
7.5 hr	\$275.0	\$2,750
7.75 hr	\$277.5	\$2,775
8 hr	\$280.0	\$2,800

Additional Miscellaneous Costs NOT INCLUDED in Tuition

- *MDC Hoodie (only needed for new dancers or those who need a new one)*
- *Class attire & correct coloured dance shoes or tights*
- *Competition Entry Fees (These will be posted and due once we register the dancers)*
- *Solo, Duet or Small Group Comp/Recital Choreography*
- *Ticket sales for audience members at performances or comp/festivals (if required)*
- *Travel, Trips, 3rd Party Workshops/Conventions (unless covered by Parent Committee)*
- *K.Y.M. Conditioning Camps/Classes (March Break & Summer)*
- *Additional classes outside of the set requirements, which we highly encourage and tuition per hour goes down, the more hours they take*

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- *Fluctuating costs that may surpass the original tuition amount (ex. if workshops or costumes surpass what we have allocated, the difference will be charged to your account, we are of course aiming to stay within the budget and not charge you more!).*

REFUND POLICY FOR MDC: Tuition is based on a monthly rate for the September-June dance year. If dancers wish to withdraw from the program, it must be done by the 14th of the month and the month that we receive the notice must be paid in full. The remaining months will be refunded or installments cancelled. Registration Fee refunds are not guaranteed and will be based on what has already been allocated, purchased and booked. Parents are responsible for covering all outstanding charges at the time of withdrawal.

ATTIRE

BALLET

- **Convertible Ballet Pink Tights**
Please purchase from a dance store or be sure they are actually ballet pink. Thank you!
- **Ballet Leotard**
Colour and style can be unique to your dancer.
- **Ballet Shoe**
PROPEL, MOMENTUM & ACCELERATE - Leather, Full Sole
VELOCITY & KINETIC - Canvas Split Sole ballet shoes
- **Hair**
Ballet Bun, french braid or LOW secured ponytail with wisps and bangs out of the eyes
FYI: high ponytails make turning and training a dancer “spot” very challenging

JAZZ & CHOREO

Be sure both tops and bottoms are form-fitted so we can see proper alignment, no baggy clothing.

- **Leotard or Fitted Top**
- **Tights, Shorts or Leggings**
If wearing tights, ensure they are convertible or footless so dancers can be in bare feet for parts of class
- **Shoes**
PROPEL & MOMENTUM - Beige Leather Jazz Shoe
ACCELERATE, VELOCITY & KINETIC - Beige Half Sole (fully covers toes with elastic around the back of the heel/ankle. Ex. Capezio Turning Pointe or Block Eclipse)
- **Hair**
Ballet Bun, french braid or LOW secured ponytail with wisps and bangs out of the eyes.
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PERFORMANCES

Attire For Performances will be emailed out when costumes are selected

STUDENT REQUIREMENTS & COMMITMENT

The scheduled **commitment is from September 10, 2022 - June 19, 2023**. Our exact dates along with the additional Rehearsal Schedules and “No Class” dates will be sent as they are solidified and once performances/competitions are booked. Performances and extra rehearsals, along with regular weekly classes **take priority above other activities or commitments** if you are registered for the M.D.C. program. All M.D.C. members attend the required company and additional K.Y.M. classes per week, as well as any additional rehearsals for extra performances that may arise.

**After the last scheduled M.D.C. class, any performance opportunities that arise during the spring/summer will be optional.*

Attendance is mandatory and dancers are expected to be on time. The beginning of our class is just as important for developing your dancer’s abilities as the rest of the class. Dancers are expected to come and watch or “mark” the class if they cannot take part fully (ex. recovering from an injury). Do not attend if sick, but please do attend from home if you are healthy enough to do so via Zoom. Learning is as much visual and auditory as it is physical, and watching a class can be a super beneficial way to learn, while still giving your body the time it needs to rest.

This dance company is like any team sport where all members must be committed in order for the team/group to thrive. If your child is not ready for a performance and does not know the dance due to missing classes, they may be asked to be an understudy, sit out for a performance or require additional rehearsal time at an additional fee to get them caught up. Please email or call us as soon as possible if your child will be missing class. It is very challenging to the teacher and the other dancers when we have to reteach and repeat choreography for missing students, however, if you know ahead of time that you will be away, there are steps we can take so that your dancer won’t fall behind. Thank you!

PARENT REQUIREMENT & COMMITMENT

In general, I will communicate important M.D.C. information by email. Please be sure to check your update, promotions, junk and spam folders so that you do not miss any important information. Throughout the year if you have any feedback, questions or opportunities for the dancers, please do not hesitate to email us.

Your biggest role as a dance parent is to be positive, supportive and encouraging through all of your dancer's ups and downs. If you are dedicated to their development, they will succeed and

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thrive in Motion Youth Dance Company! ***Please ensure your dancers arrive for their classes on time and are in the appropriate attire with their hair securely pulled back off their face.***

Optional Fundraising Society

(Motion Youth Dance Company Performing Arts Society)

By signing your child up for Motion Youth Dance Company, parents are then welcome to join the non-profit parent fundraising society, if they choose. This society aims to provide subsidies and financial support for Motion Youth Dance Company (M.D.C.) dancers and their families through fundraising to create an affordable dance experience as well as give dancers and parents some dance family bonding opportunities and team-building experiences. In the past, the society has covered a number of our workshops and had allocated significant funds for our LA 2020 Dance Trip, which unfortunately was cancelled in 2020 due to COVID.

We would love your help to make dance affordable and give the dancers the best experience and unique opportunities during their time with M.D.C.!

Please email creative@kidsinmotiondance.com or give us a call if you have any questions at 778.554.1146