

2019-20 ADC Packet

Please read the following packet thoroughly and completely. It contains all of the information needed to make an informed decision about auditioning for and dancing with CK DanceWorks' DancElite's hip-hop company, ADC.



IMPORTANT

We would like to express the importance of discussing the financial commitment of ADC as a family BEFORE auditioning to make sure you are aware of all of the financial obligations. Being a DancElite member is both a large TIME and MONETARY commitment. Costumes, competition fees, and tuition all add up throughout the year. We want to make sure that everyone interested is well informed in order to make realistic decisions.

OVERVIEW

The following contains the ADC Audition Information and Company Contract. This document contains all of the information you need when considering auditioning for and dancing with ADC. Please read carefully, even if you have been an ADC dancer in previous years. This packet contains UPDATED information that is important to understand. It also contains information on how and when to register for company classes, scheduled events, and payment breakdowns for the entire year.

If you have any additional questions, feel free to email info@ckdanceworks.com. Do not attempt to talk to staff/teachers during teaching hours. We are here to answer any questions you may have to make sure you make the most informed decision possible.

STATEMENT

ADC is a collection of CK DanceWorks' premier, most advanced hip-hop dancers placed into different levels of teams. These dancers attend regional competitions and train with some of the industry's and Atlanta's best hip hop choreographers each year. Our hip-hop crews are always some of our most entertaining and best dances here at CKDW; we are happy to have your interest!

ADMISSION

CKDW auditions are for current members of ADC and new dancers joining. Invitations may be sent via email from the director to students based on teacher recommendations. Students entering the studio after auditions may have the opportunity to audition privately if alternate spots are available.

AUDITIONS

Auditions will be held **Sunday, May 5** at CK DanceWorks. Exact times for all age groups can be viewed at www.ckdanceworks.com.

*Dancers should arrive dressed & ready (no jewelry) at least 20 min early to warm-up and stretch. No warm-up will be given during auditions. Audition numbers will be given at the time of registration. We encourage you to register prior to your audition day as this is a VERY BUSY DAY. Audition fees are \$25 (CASH ONLY) per dancer. **Dancers who turn in their audition form by Monday, April 29 will receive a discount of \$5 and only pay a \$20 CASH audition fee.** Audition forms received from Tuesday, April 30 - Sunday, May 5, must include the full audition fee (CASH ONLY) of \$25 per dancer, no exceptions! There is an additional \$20/25 audition fee due if auditioning for both DancElite and ADC. ***ALL existing CKDW accounts must be current and not carrying balances to be eligible for auditions.**

A nice, neat appearance (hip-hop attire: shorts, tanks, sweats, sneakers, tennis shoes, hair nice and neat) is recommended. Directors /judges take former training into consideration.

Please fill out and print the audition form located at www.ckdanceworks.com (under forms tab) and submit it with your CASH audition fee in a sealed envelope at the front office of CKDW (WE WILL NOT HAVE BLANK FORMS AT THE AUDITION OR STUDIO). No one will be allowed to audition without submitting an audition form and audition fee. Your dancer will be given an audition number at the time of registration that they will wear during the audition. Dancers that are auditioning for both DancElite and ADC will receive only ONE audition number to wear for both auditions even though there is an additional audition fee if auditioning for both DancElite and ADC. **Dancers must remember this number; it identifies them when viewing audition results on Tuesday, May 28 at 10am.** We will not be on hand to remind you of your number. DancElite Auditions are closed! ABSOLUTELY no spectators are allowed in the audition room or beyond the roped area in the lobby entrance. Television monitors will not be on for viewing.

PLACEMENT

Auditioning dancers will be placed by director & judges in the appropriate level and group. Placement is decided according to average age, ability and overall look of group...we do not place by age only! Different decisions and reasonings are used each year. It is possible for dancers to be placed in groups with mixed ages/levels. Dancers are judged in these areas & from previous years' attendance, work ethic, dependability /competition readiness, attitude, teamwork, ability to follow CK's code of conduct, sportsmanship, timing with choreography, flexibility, stage performance ability, technique, met all financial obligations.

Previous years' performances, class attendance, and ability to follow the code of conduct DOES reflect placement levels. Previous members must audition each season and are not guaranteed any specific placement. The placement of your dancer or other dancers will not be challenged. The director will place students where they think students will perform the best for themselves and the company. Please trust that we will place your dancer in the appropriate group for him/her to maximize their learning and growth.

REGISTRATION

ADC registration begins once auditions results are posted on Tuesday, May 28 at www.ckdanceworks.com. **To accept your spot, you must agree to the terms in this contract, register for "ADC 2019-20" under EVENTS which includes signing the online contract agreement between Tuesday, May 28- Thursday, May 30.** If we do not receive your registration by Thursday, May 30th you will forfeit your spot.

Early-Bird registration for CK's recreational classes begins May 20. Since registration for ADC is the following week, you can register for any extra classes you would like for the monthly add-on rate of \$40 per class. **DancElite members are eligible to add ADC for the reduced tuition rate of \$40 per month.**

Registration Fee: There is a \$30 per student/\$50 per family registration fee for returning students. New student registration fee is \$40 per student /\$60 per family. This fee is charged on your enrollment date for the new season. All ADC members must have an auto-draft account set up with CKDW for tuition and extra payments. Other forms of payments are accepted prior to the due dates.

REQUIREMENTS & SCHEDULING

Students must be enrolled & attend their weekly ADC training class during the dance year which runs August 3 - May 23, 2020. ***Students must attend extra weekend rehearsals and all choreography weekends.***

Please take into consideration your dance schedule when scheduling additional activities and appointments within the year. It is not acceptable to be 20 minutes late to class for 2 months because of track practice or to consistently miss class for chorus or drama practice. Dance should take precedence over all other activities.

CKDW follows Paulding County School Systems Closings for Fall Break (Sept 23-29), Thanksgiving Break (Nov 25-30), Christmas Break (Dec 23- Jan 4), and Spring Break (April 6-11). We DO NOT CLOSE for MLK Day or Winter Break.

Attendance is very important and crucial during the months of January, February, and March leading up to competitions. We understand that things come up, and this seems to be a time when we have a lot of dancers out sick. However, please take this into

consideration when booking family trips, or purchasing concert tickets that fall on dance nights as this negatively impacts their group.

If for some reason a dancer must miss a competition and be pulled from group numbers for any ***PLANNED*** reason (weddings, proms, vacation), that dancer will remain pulled from those dances for the rest of the year. If a dancer misses a competition due to ***LAST MINUTE*** illness, injury or death in the family it is up to the Director's discretion on how to handle that. In the past, we have had dancers pulled from future competitions because of missing a previous competition due to illness. Costume fees, competition fees, choreography fees or any other fees associated with that dance will not be refunded. Competition dates will be announced early fall, therefore it is important to let us know EARLY in the year if you have any major events that you cannot miss. We will try our best to plan around them, but cannot promise to make it work. Most competitions will be held in the Atlanta/Chattanooga area, but it is possible for us to travel to neighboring states. Dancers **MUST** attend dress rehearsal week, recital rehearsals and all of CK's end of year Recitals & Showcases.

ADC members must attend a summer intensive where dancers train in hip-hop technique and potentially learn choreography for the new season. CKDW brings in guest teachers to work with each group. **Attendance to this intensive is required for all members.**

The 2019 ADC Summer Intensive is July 22-26 (Mon - Fri).

*Students entering ADC after auditions/after the dance year will still be charged for a summer intensive since it is required for all dancers.

The 2020 ADC Summer Intensive is July 20-24 (Mon - Fri). Mark your calendars!

EXPENSES

ADC members are responsible for the **\$558 ADC fee (\$458 if you are a DE member)**. This includes 4 competition entry fees, a costume fee that includes one costume with shoes and accessories for all performances, End-Of-Year party fee (only for non-DancElite members), ADC team plaque and recital/showcase fees.

July 15th Payment - \$114.5

August 15th Payment - \$114.5

September 15th Payment - \$114.50

October 15th Payment - \$114.50

Nov 15th Payment - \$100 **This End of Year Party fee will be charged for ADC members not in DancElite only. End of the year party fee is non-refundable for any reason.*

Some company members choose to take additional dance classes at the studio and these classes will require additional costume fees due by December.

You are responsible for purchasing tickets for any CKDW show in which your dancer participates.

***NEW* Members are responsible for competition media fees.** Certain competitions now require each dancer/family to pay a media fee that gives you access to all videos/photos from that select competition. Media fees are \$25-\$35 per competition per dancer and some offer a family discount fee if they are required.

TUITION

ADC Tuition: \$66 per month

Tuition includes the ADC weekly dance class and all extra weekend rehearsals. Exact training hours will vary with each group.

We consider Winter Break as an important rehearsal week for all DE/ADC so we ask that members attend. It is also considered the makeup week for REC classes in event of weather closings through the year. If any particular recreational weekly class has more than one cancellation due to CKDW being closed, we will schedule makeup classes the first weekend in March. DE/ADC classes will not have in event of weather makeup classes scheduled, as these groups have extra scheduled rehearsals on the calendar.

DancElite members can add ADC for a reduced tuition rate of \$40 per month.

All ADC tuition MUST be paid using our Automatic Debit System. Tuition will be drafted from accounts on the 1st of each month. We will also debit "ADC FEES" (competition fees, costume fees, etc.) on the scheduled due date outlined in the contract if not paid prior to due date (meaning, if your balance is paid before the due date, the card on file will not be charged). Drafts must be setup with your bank account information, a debit card or a credit card (Visa, MasterCard, Discover and AMEX) at the time of registration. We use JackRabbit online registration in which each dance family has access to a parent portal where they can login to their account to pay fees, change types of payment on file, and manage your account. *Company accounts must remain current and within 30 days.*

You can choose to pay the yearly tuition in full by July 31 to receive 5%. If you choose to pay in full, you will still need to give us your bank account information, or a credit card on file for all extra fees that are due during the year - THIS IS MANDATORY.

Please note: *Paid in full tuition is non-refundable in its entirety and non-transferrable (i.e. - if you pay in full for an acro class that you drop mid year - you will not receive a refund or a credit to use toward another class or fee for this dropped class). Please consider this when making a choice to pay in full.*

MASTER CLASSES

CKDW will sometimes hold optional master classes throughout the year taught by guest teachers and choreographers. Master class fees can cost from \$25-\$50.

TEAM MOMS

CK will be selecting team moms (one per group) to assist the director and CKDW staff with tasks associated with costuming, competition, information gathering/giving and various other things. Each team mom will serve as "captain" of the specific group for the year and must be present at all competitions and other various functions throughout the year.

SUMMER DANCE

CKDW does not offer a full dance session in the summer. We offer a wide range of summer dance camps including a Hip-Hop camp. *NEW* for this year are choreography camp and sewing camp.

COMMUNICATION

CKDW communicates through email. Members can expect to receive emails regarding practice/performance info, billing related information, and CKDW studio information through JackRabbit. Please make sure that we always have updated email addresses for your family, and make sure to check often to stay current. All emails sent out are saved and able to be viewed in your parent portal.

TOTAL COSTS

ADC (non-DE members) - \$1,448 (\$660 Tuition, \$558 ADC Fee, \$30 Registration Fee, \$200 Summer Intensive)

ADC (DE members) - \$1,058 (\$400 Tuition, \$458 ADC Fee, \$200 Summer Intensive, \$0 Registration Fee)

*Total above is with \$30 reg fee and not \$50 family reg fee. It DOES NOT include: extra add-on classes such as acro, warm-ups jacket or audition fee. It DOES NOT reflect the DancElite discounted tuition rate.

FUNDRAISING

Time to talk fundraising!! DancElite/ADC has a fundraising committee for those interested in earning money towards their dance accounts! The committee organizes a variety of fundraisers throughout the year, and you can pick and choose when to participate. Some of the fundraisers are group efforts where profits are split and others are individual fundraisers where everything you earn is credited to your account. If you are interested in receiving emails about next year's fundraising, you will be able to add your name to the link below.

Link: <https://ckdwfundraising.wufoo.com/forms/ckdw-dancelite-fundraising-committee-20192020/>

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CANCELLATION FEE

Members that forfeit the 2019-2020 ADC contract will be responsible for a \$250 cancellation fee that will be charged to the credit card on file. In addition, ADC fees that have been paid prior to forfeiture are non-refundable. Forfeiture includes my child's dismissal by a CK DanceWorks director or by ending my term as an ADC dancer due to injury, lack of interest, or other reasons before June 30, 2020.

ADC Payment Schedule:

Tuesday, May 28

Registration Fee \$40 (\$30 Returning students)
Summer Intensive Fee \$200

July 15 - Oct 15

~ ADC Payment ~
\$114.50

August 1 - May 1

~Tuition ~
Non-DancElite Members: \$660
DancElite Members: \$400

Nov 15

End of Year Party Fee - \$100

***This fee will be charged for ADC members not in DancElite.**

**End of the year party fee is non-refundable for any reason.*

2019-20 Important Dates

*Competition Dates will be emailed out in a separate email by mid-June.

May 2019

5/28 2019-20 Audition Results are posted online at www.ckdanceworks.com

5/30 Register online to accept your DancElite spot by this date!

July 2019

7/22-7/26 DancElite & ADC Summer Intensive ***mandatory**

August 2019

8/3 -CKDW 1st Day of Class

September 2019

9/2 CKDW Closed for Labor Day

9/23- 9/29 CKDW Closed for Fall Break

November 2019

11/25-11/30 CKDW Closed for Thanksgiving Break

December 2019

12/23-1/4 CKDW Closed for Christmas Break

February 2020

2/18-2/22 CKDW OPEN for Winter Break- *attendance to DE classes is important*

March 2020

3/9- 3/15- DancElite & ADC Dress Rehearsal at CKDW- *Schedule TBA*

April 2020

4/6-4/11 CKDW Closed for Spring Break

May 2020

Date TBA - DE Gems, Prodigy & ADC End-Of-Year Parties (Governor's Town Club) - *Times TBA*

5/26-5/28- 2020-21 Auditions - *Times & Details TBA*

Date TBA - DE/ADC Showcases- *Times TBA*

July 2020

7/20-7/24 DancElite & ADC 2020 Summer Intensive