

PUMAS

BALLET/TAP COMBO



CLASS DESCRIPTION

PUMAS are 3½ - 4½ year old dancers learning the basics of ballet and tap dance or dancers who have completed the BOBCATS level. The children use creative movement to explore movement of the body, rhythm, and feelings, as well as basic ballet and tap vocabulary. Students learn to interact with others, take turns, and set personal dance goals, reinforcing behaviors taught at home and preschool.

CLASS AGES

3½ - 4½ years old

CLASS LENGTH

45 minutes

ATTIRE REQUIRED

Clothing: Leotard, tights, ballet skirt
Shoes: Pink ballet, black tap shoes
Hair: Pulled back off face and neck

PERFORMANCES

Dancers participate in two recitals a year, one in December and one in June. These performances showcase student progress and are an opportunity to celebrate your child's success.

ASSESSMENT

Dancers' progress in class is assessed formally at the end of Term 2 (December) and the end of Term 5 (June). Each dancer will receive a progress report and graded on the skills listed in this syllabus earning:

Satisfactory (S)

Approaching (A)

Needs Improvement (I)

A student is eligible to move up to the next level once they have achieved Satisfactory in most skills.

SYLLABUS

Terms and movements to be learned and performed satisfactorily before moving up to LEOPARDS.

BALLET SKILLS

1st, 2nd, 3rd position

Demi plié, grand plié

Tendu

Chassé forwards & sideways

Passé

Arabesque at barre

Relevé

Chainé turn

Leap (jeté)

Bourré

TAP SKILLS

Toe tap

Heel dig

Toe punch

Stomp

Shuffle

Toe heel walks

Heel toe walks

Bunny hops forwards & backwards

Toe heel drops

Heel toe drops

OTHER CATEGORIES

Follows directions

Gets along with classmates

Complies with dress code

Attendance

