

LEOPARDS BALLET/TAP COMBO

CLASS DESCRIPTION

LEOPARDS are 4½ - 5½ year old dancers who are new to dance or dancers who have completed the PUMAS level. Students improve upon their ballet and tap skill foundation and explore more complex movements. Dancers begin memorizing performance choreography and understand the importance of the recital and well-polished routine.



CLASS AGES

4½ - 5½ 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 PANTHERS.



BALLET SKILLS

1st, 2nd, 3rd w/ arms
4th & 5th position
Demi & grand pliés in 1st & 2nd
Chassés backwards
Passé w/ proper turnout
Arabesque w/ straight legs
Relevé hold for 5 seconds
Leap or jeté w/ straight legs
Chainé turn on relevé
Sautés in 1st & 2nd
Rond de jambe
Chassé step leap w/ color bands
Pirouette prep w/ color bands

TAP SKILLS

Alternating toe taps
Alternating heel digs
Alternating toe punches
Shuffle hop, shuffle ball change
Flap
Scuff
Cramp roll
Flap heel walks

OTHER CATEGORIES

Follows directions
Gets along with classmates
Complies with dress code
Attendance