## Mirror Image Dance Team: Minis

2023 - 2024 Competition Information

Mirror Image Dance Team (MIDT) is the competitive option at Mirror Image Dance Company (MIDC). The competition season starts on August 28th, 2023, and continues through June 2024. If your dancer is interested in joining the team, please read the following information and fill out this form.

If you have any questions about this packet of information please email info@mirrorimagedancecompany.com

The deadline to join the team is:

June 1, 2023 - for returners

August 15, 2023 - for new dancers

**How to join**: If your little ones want to join - we want them! There are no tryouts! The parents/guardians are required to attend the **mandatory parent meeting on August 21st at 6 at MIDC**. In order to participate, the parents/guardians must sign the MIDC contract for the season. All parent handouts and dates will be shared with everyone on May 1st, 2023. Competition dates will be added as they are released. All dates will be solidified by August 1st, 2023.

**Age Group & Class Requirements**: The mini age group begins at age 3 and runs through Kindergarten. They are required to attend one mini movement class and a Mini CT (Competition Team Routine) class.

Competition Options:

Tuesday: Mini CT, Mini Class Saturday: Mini CT, Mini Class Saturday: 2 Mini CTs, Mini Class

**CT** (Competition Team Routine): All dancers must enroll in at least one "CT" class. A CT is a class where you only practice a specific dance for competition from August - June.

**Costumes**: All costumes are custom designed and fitted. We use them for an entire season (3 regional competitions, all dress rehearsals, team photos, and the showcase).

**Competitions**: MIDT Minis compete at 3 regional competitions (starting in January and competing through May). All dancers must attend all competitions. Competitions start Friday afternoon and end Sunday evening. **Your dancer will dance only one day.** The schedule for each weekend is released one week before the competition. Dancers are expected to arrive 90

minutes before their first performance and stay for awards. All dates for competitions are released at the end of June.

**Extra Practices**: Throughout the season there are extra extended practices. All dancers must attend all extra practices. Minis are not charged for extra rehearsals.

**Blackout Dates**: Throughout the season there are dates when dancers cannot miss practice. The month before the first competition is blacked out. Also, the week before each competition is blacked out.

**Payment**: All payments will be automatically charged to your card on file. You will be explicitly told what will be charged and when.

**Costs**: Below is a list of costs associated with the team. If you need to split payments or to make a payment plan - we can help!

- Class Tuition mini-team tuition is charged in sessions (Fall, Winter, Spring). If you need to break-up payments, let us know!
- Costumes estimate \$250-350 per costume you purchase and \$215 per costume you rent
- Competitions estimate \$70 each competition per dancer (we do 3 competitions)
- Mirror Image Fees \$250 for the season (headshots, canvas headshot photo, team photo, group photography, showcase photography, showcase participation, showcase video, winter party for dancers, etc)
- Optional Fees extra headshots, individual photos, showcase tickets
- Mirror Image Gear dancers must purchase a practice backpack, team shirt, yearly star, and 1 patch.
- Optional Gear there is a list each dance families can choose from
- Hotel usually dancers will need to stay in hotels during the weekend at competitions. A
  list of hotels will be suggested at the beginning of the season. These are optional. It is
  the responsibility of each family to make the appropriate reservations.
- Miscellaneous Individual Purchases
  - Makeup
  - tights/leotards/shoes
  - Hair supplies