



Competition Lines—Basic Information for 2015-2016

Welcome Back! Summer flew by with Nationals in Wisconsin Dells, the Rivertown Days Parade, and summer classes. Congratulations dancers for your performances at Midwest Starz Nationals 2015 in the Wisconsin Dells. Over 150 dancers earned 1st place and/or platinum awards at the biggest nationals event ever! Over 50 of you earned the title of “Grand National Champion” at the callback event. This includes Giant Clog and Gold Clog. Congratulations to everyone-you performed your best under the National spotlight!

The Rivertown Days Parade had the best attendance ever-great family fun! Thank you volunteers!

Congratulations to our staff member Kayla Winter, for her selection to the Minnesota Vikings Cheerleader squad for the third year.

Fall Classes resume Monday, September 14th.

FALL OPEN HOUSE & SHOE SWAP: Thursday, August 20th at the Studio from 5pm-8pm. (In- person registration) All dancers may register by mail if they prefer. Registration forms and information were emailed out and are available online. **Selling used shoes?** Bring in your previously worn shoes to the shoe swap so you can try to sell them. Do not just drop them off to sell as we have no one to supervise the sale of them. You may also list them in the “Used Shoes for Sale” book.

VACATION SCHEDULE:

Thanksgiving: No classes Thurs, Nov. 26 through Sat, Nov. 28. Classes resume Monday, Nov. 30th.

Christmas: No classes Mon., December 21 through Fri., January 1st. Classes resume Monday, Jan 4, 2016.

Spring Break: No classes Mon., March 21 through Sat., March 26. Classes resume Monday, March 28th.

No Competitions will be attended March 18-20 or March 25-27.

Last Week of Classes: Mon, May 23 through Sat, May 28.

TENTATIVE REVUE DATES: Friday, June 3rd through Sunday, June 5th.

TECHNIQUE CLASSES: All students on a Competition Line grades 5 and up must attend technique classes weekly. Comp line students grades 3 and 4 must attend 3 classes of technique per month. **THIS INCLUDES STUDENTS IN CLOGGING.** *** You may attend as many technique classes as you want for the same fee!

ATTENDANCE POLICY: All classes missed must be made up by attending an additional technique class to prevent suspension from a line. For example, if you miss a jazz, clogging and technique class on Monday, you must make up those classes by attending 3 additional technique classes. You can attend any technique class for the makeup. Many dancers used the Friday ballet/technique class for this purpose.

DANCE ATTIRE AND DRESS: GIRLS: All girls must wear a leotard. Jan will place an order for any leotards you want. See desk. If you want to layer a tight fitting tank top over it with shorts or leggings, that is fine. Please NO T-shirts over the leotard, we need to see body lines to correct the dancers. As always, tights and kneepads are recommended for floor work (standard volleyball type is fine or even a thinner variety). All hair must be pulled back in a ponytail/bun and off the face. **BOYS:** Wear knit shorts and T-shirts or sweats. Kneepads are recommended for floor work (standard volleyball type is fine or even a thinner variety).

During the year: We are communicating all registration forms, newsletters, and handouts via email. Please contact the studio if you are not receiving these. Studio: (651) 438-3690. It is **your** responsibility to keep up on extra practices and information. Check out our website at www.jansschoolofdance.com, look for Jan's School of Dance, Inc. on Facebook, and follow us on Instagram at [jans_school_of_dance_inc](https://www.instagram.com/jans_school_of_dance_inc).

SHOES NEEDED:

Technique class: All competition line dancers MUST wear ballet shoes (any color, canvas/leather) OR Paul Wright 1/2 ballets

Jazz, Novelty, Contemporary, and Lyrical classes: Paul Wright half ballet in tan.

Clogging Shoes by Line: (Dancer's feet must be sized by Oct. 1st because the sample sizes must be returned to the manufacturer)

Pre-comp Girls:	White 12F Tap Shoes
Turquoise	White 20W "Growing Girl" (Graduated Taps)
Blue, Gold, Emerald	White 720s with Steven Stompers
Super Clog, Silver Clog, Giant Clog	Black 720s with Steven Stompers

Boys:

Pre-comp Boys:	Black 12F Tap Shoes
All other lines:	Black 720s with Steven Stompers

Hip Hop: Clean tennis shoes

Pointe: See your teacher, I can order for you if you know the brand and style number.

2015-2016 Estimated Expenses:

Costume down payments will be \$75 per costume per dancer with the first payment due October 1st. If you are in more than one routine, you may pay the \$75 in installments, but all down payments must be received by December 1st. The cost per costume averages between \$100-\$190 for beginning lines and \$125-\$275 for intermediate and advanced lines. A second down payment of \$25 per costume is due March 1. **Competition Line costumes are ordered October 1. No refunds will be given if you drop after Oct. 1st. (Reminder: Dropping classes requires written notice.)**

Competition Entry Fees average \$38-\$48 per routine/competition. These fees include 4 regional competitions as well as Nationals entry fees and rehearsal fees. We have broken the entry fees into 2 installments. The first payment of \$100 per routine per dancer is due with your November tuition. You may pay in installments, but all down payments must be received by Dec. 1st. The final installment is due with your Feb tuition. You will be entered in all competitions regardless of whether you attend. The amount of the second installment will be finalized later. Nationals are for everyone on a line. National dates are not yet available, but will be in either June or July.

2015-2016 Competition Line Payment Schedule

Payments are due to Jan in the Studio on the first week of each month. Your class tuition is broken into 9 equal payments. If you are paying by check, note the student name and line on the check. Also note what the check is for and attach the month's voucher from your payment book.

Month	Fees Due
Sept	Tuition, Registration (\$15), Technique Fees – ½ year (\$65)
Oct	Tuition, Costume down payment (\$75/ costume)
Nov	Tuition, Competition entry fee down payment (\$100/ routine)
Dec	Tuition (All costume & entry fee down payments are due)
Jan	Tuition, Technique Fee – 2nd ½ year (\$65)
Feb	Tuition, Competition entry fee final balance (Jan will notify you of amount)
Mar	Tuition, Costume 2nd payment (\$25/ costume)
Apr	Tuition, Costume final balance (Jan will notify you of final balance due)
May	Tuition

REMINDER: If you intend to drop a class or quit, you must send **WRITTEN NOTIFICATION** to Jan. If you do not send a notice, you will be billed for classes until this notification is received. Calling, leaving a message or not attending class is not sufficient. Costumes are ordered Oct.1st. Costume fees will not be refunded for students dropping after Oct. 1st.



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