

Angie's Starz Dance Team 2025/26

We welcome students Ages 5-18 to join our Starz Dance Team.

Take your dance to another level!!! We are excited to invite you to our dance team audition on Aug 3. Come join a passionate, high-energy group of dancers, compete in elite competitions, train with top instructors, build a foundation for the future while making new friends and unforgettable memories.

Students must have had no less than 1 full year of dance training. Students must be enrolled and pay tuition the entire season for a weekly class in the genre of dance they are competing whether it is a group dance or specialty dance. They must also be enrolled in a weekly technique class if competing a group dance unless they are on a high school dance team or only competing in Tap and/or Hip-Hop. Students must attend all weekly classes on a regular basis.

Auditions – Sunday, August 3 at Angie's Studio - Studio Rooms C & D. **Stretch and prepare in Studio B.** Bring all dance shoes into the audition room.

1:00-1:20 **Parent Information Meeting** - Studio Room C/D 1:30-2:30PM (**Pre-Dance, Pre-Combo, Combo 1, Combo 2**)

2:30-3:30 PM (**Combo 3 & 4**) 3:30-4:45 PM (**Combo 5 & 6**) 4:45-6:00 PM (**Jr B & Sr B**) 6:00-7:15 PM (**Jr A & Sr A**)

Costume measuring after the Audition for everyone in Studio A Email stcbelievfever@aol.com if you cannot attend)

Team Invitations: Will be sent out by email, by Aug 6, Must reply to the email by Aug 10. If you have accepted an invitation and then decide to drop out of the dance after the invitation deadline has passed (Aug 10), you will be charged a fee of \$40.00 to accommodate the instructors time to re-block choreography.

Team Tuition: \$240 total for Aug-May, per each group dance competed. This is broken down into 10 payments at \$24 per month, per group dance, Aug - May, plus a \$12 one-time yearly Admin Team Fee per EACH group routine you compete. The \$12 per group routine Admin Fee and August \$24 per group dance tuition payment is due by the first rehearsal on August 17th. The total cost of team can be paid up front if you choose or paid on the 1st of each month. (April and May fees are combined and due April 1st.)_Those attending a national competition or special event over the summer months will be invoiced during the months spent rehearsing if past May.

Competition entry fees and costume fees are separate. Competition entry fees are approximately \$\$70-\$80 per group dance for each competition, depending on the competition. Solos, duets, trios or any other private lesson competition routine is also a separate charge.

(There are times we have guest choreographers come in to teach routines. If your routine has a guest choreographer, there may be an additional fee to cover the cost of the choreographer.)

Competition Fee Due Dates: A payment for one competition group fee for **each** competition will be due by Sept 15 (\$226) The remaining balance must be paid by the due date listed by each competition. Fees and dates will be posted as fees become available. This does not include Nationals Competition fees. **ALL INVOICES MUST BE PAID UP TO DATE TO AUDITION FOR TEAM AND TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY TEAM OR STUDIO ACTIVITIES SUCH AS CONVENTIONS, PARADES, SHOWCASES, COMPETITIONS, RECITALS OR TO RECEIVE YOUR COSTUMES.**

PRIVATE Lesson Fee per student, per lesson, for students who would like to compete a specialty solo, duet, trio etc... (Must have had 1 year of dance team) Instructors must have a 2 hr notice if canceling or full charge of the lesson will be invoiced (No participation in recital unless they include a graduating Sr)

½hr lesson Solo 1/\$36 Duet 2/\$20 each Trio 3/\$16 each 4+/\$14 each Add \$4 for each additional 15 min for Dance & Tumbling Private Lessons

Specialty Numbers: This is any routine that is not included on the audition invite. This can be a Solo, Duet, Trio or Group. A student or Students may have a Studio instructor choreograph a specialty routine for them. They must have had one year on team to compete a specialty number.

Outside instructors or choreographers are frowned upon and typically not allowed. This must be pre-approved by Angie's Studio and is usually only allowed for Sr students who have been at Angie's Studio for many years. If the outside instructor is approved by Angie's Studio, there is a requirement of 4 hours paid private lesson with an Angie's Studio instructor and the choreography, music and costume must be approved by Angie's Studio before registering for competitions. If the outside instructor will be using the studio for rehearsals, booking space at the studio must be reserved through Ms. Andrea or Ms. Angie and a rental fee will be charged. (Dance Team solos, duets, trios and specialty numbers will not perform in the recital unless they include a graduating senior.)

Choreography Fee per student. (This is an additional onetime fee per student for private specialty numbers. This fee must be paid **before** the first private lesson. A 48-hour notification must be given to the instructor before the scheduled first rehearsal, if you decide not to do the routine

1 student/\$60 2 students/\$45 each 3 students/\$40 each 4+ students/\$35 each

COSTUMES: \$80 per costume, per routine. Team costume payment is due by Oct. 15. You may make payments before this date if you choose. We will let you know if we are going to re-use a costume when we send out the audition invitation. Only costumes for Solos, Duets and Trios can be purchased by you but must have approval from the instructor/choreographer before purchasing

SHOES: Once costumes are selected, we will let you know the style, brand and color of shoes you will need for each routine. The type of shoe may not be the same as your weekly class and must be purchased by the end of Oct.

PROPS: There may be a small charge if props are going to be used for a dance. (About \$10 – \$20 per student) **TEAM JEWELRY / ACCESSORIES:** Required to be purchased through studio. Earrings and Fishnet tights (the fishnet are only required for some routines.) Each item runs between \$5-\$15 (We may also add jewelry pieces if the costume calls for it.) Earrings and fishnet tights are the same as last year, so if you still have yours you don't need to purchase new, but please keep your jewelry clean of make-up and hairspray.

MAKE-UP: The Starz Dance Team wears specific make-up and eyelashes to match on stage. This list will be released at the start of the season. To keep things affordable items can be purchased at Wal-Mart, Walgreens etc.

FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES Defray costs to competition entry fees. Sarah Sheppard has graciously offered to chair the fundraising committee. There will be a sign-up sheet on the information wall if you are interested in helping with this committee.

DANCE TEAM EXPECTATIONS:

You are expected to be on time, stretched, in proper attire, have correct shoes on, hair up and be ready to work hard at all rehearsals!

Proper Dress Attire

Solid colored black leotard or camisole/tank, sports bra with black booty shorts and tan tights. Sr/Jr students may wear black leggings.

Absentee Policy

NO MORE THAN 2 ABSENCES ARE ALLOWED during the Dance Team season without prior consent from all instructors.

If you are going to be absent you **MUST TEXT or E-MAIL Ms. Andrea** ahead of time. If not it is considered a No Call/No Show

No dancer is allowed to miss the 2 weeks prior to any competition without prior consent from all instructors.

It is not fair to those who arrive on time and are prepared and present each week. We use every minute of rehearsal time to prepare for competitions, so if you miss any of that time, you miss out on important details.

Demerit System (NEW THIS SEASON) The Team will be implementing a demerit system this season for Sunday group rehearsals.

1/2 Demerit Issued:

- Out of dress code
- Late for rehearsal without notification (and valid reason)
- Forgetting shoes for a specific rehearsal
- Not submitting rehearsal videos if requested by instructor

1 Full Demerit Issued:

- No Call/No Show for rehearsal or performance
- Each rehearsal missed over the allotted 2 (without prior consent from all instructors)
- Missing the two rehearsals prior to any competition (without prior consent from all instructors)

If a student reaches 3 demerits, they will be pulled from the next planned performance. We will have understudy students learning each group routine, so if a dancer is pulled due to demerits, the swing performer will step into their place. If this falls on a competition weekend, the dancer will forfeit their competition fees and costume to the understudy for that performance. After the demerit penalty has been served, the dancer will be able to participate in the next performance unless additional demerits are issued.

COMPETITIONS: During the dance team year we will offer 2-4 opportunities to compete or perform at a high end level. The 2-4 regional competitions are mandatory. The traveling national competition or performance opportunity, is offered every other year, and is optional. Please Note...In order to take a routine to a national competition we will need to have a high enough score at regionals and have enough students from that routine choose to attend in order to meet the criteria. Those students traveling to Nationals or the Performance Opportunity will continue classes and **payments** during the summer up until the date of the competition/Event.

Note: We do not know the exact time or day each routine will be competing until approximately 7-10 days prior to the competition. You must be available each **MANDATORY** competition date that is listed. Please note some competition times can be during the day on a Thursday or Friday.(Typically, this affects Solos, Duets and Trios) **There are No refunds on competition fees after the required final payment date.**

OPTIONAL PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES – Performance opportunities will be posted as they become available. Liberty Showcase, Wentzville Days, Fourth of July Parade, H.S. Exhibitions, Wentzville October Fest, Cardinal Game, Globetrotters, Six Flags etc...

Important Dates

- **Sunday, August 17** - Dance Team rehearsals begin • **Sunday, August 31** - Labor Day Weekend – NO TEAM REHEARSAL
- **Sunday, September 15** - One group competition fee for each regional competition due
- **Sunday, September 28** - Titans of Dance Convention (Optional) – NO TEAM REHEARSAL
- **Saturday, October 11** - Big Sister/Little Sister Team Bonding Party Times (TBA)
- **Tuesday, October 15** – Team costume fees due
- **Sunday, December 21 & 28** - Christmas Break – NO TEAM REHEARSAL
- **Friday, February 20** - Mandatory Group Showcase TBA
- ***Saturday, February 21** - Mandatory Solo, Duet, Trio Showcase TBA
- ***January or February** – Liberty High School Showcase TBA
- **Sunday, March 6-8** – Turn It Up Competition – NO TEAM REHEARSAL
- **Sunday, March 22** - Spring Break – NO TEAM REHEARSAL
- **Sunday, April 5 Easter** – NO TEAM REHEARSAL
- **Sunday, April 17-19** - Platinum Competition – NO TEAM REHEARSAL
- **Sunday, May 1-3 ID** - Dance Competition – NO TEAM REHEARSAL
- **Recital May or June**
- * **Dance Team End of Year Celebration** - TBD

Competition Dates, Cost and Locations

Turn It Up (Mandatory) March 6th – 8th , 2026 Purser Center at Logan University 1851 Schoettler Road Chesterfield, MO 63017

Fees Due: January 6th, 2026

Groups: \$76 **Duo/Trio:** \$90 **Solo:** \$171 FREE photo & videos (no media fee)

Hotel link: Coming Soon

Platinum National Dance (Mandatory) April 17th - 19th, 2026 St. Charles Convention Center 1 Convention Center Plaza St. Charles, MO 63303

Fees Due: February 1st, 2026

Groups: \$75.00 per person/per routine **Lines:** \$65.00 per person/per routine **Duo/Trio:** \$177.00 to split between dancers/per routine **Solo:** \$157 per solo

Hotel link: This hotel is attached to the venue. We are still waiting on a group rate to be posted. https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/stlemes-embassy-suites-st-louis-st-charles/?SEO_id=GMB-AMER-ESSTLEMES&y_source=1_MTE MDMA3MC03MTUtbG9jYXRpb24ud2Vic2l0ZQ%3D%3D

ID Dance Competition (Mandatory) May 1st – 3rd , 2026 Gateway Convention Center One Gateway Drive Collinsville, IL 62234

Fees Due: March 1st, 2026 *Mandatory Media Fee: \$19.99 NEW THIS SEASON (Includes photos/videos of all your dancer's routines, behind the scenes action shots, access to the livestream, and photos & videos of the ID ICON Award. Photos & videos of the Improv Dance Off and Master Classes are also included in this fee.)

Groups/Lines: \$75.00 per person/per routine **Duo/Trio:** \$87.00 per person/per routine **Solo:** \$177.00 per solo **Hotel link:**

Recommended Hotel https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/stlcndt-doubletree-collinsville-st-louis/?SEO_id=GMB-AMER-DTSTLCNDT&y_source=1_MTM3MjYxMC03MTUtbG9jYXRpb24ud2V

For any Dance Team questions please contact Ms. Andrea, The Dance Team Director at stcbelieverfever@aol.com

For questions pertaining to your account, please contact the office at angie@angiesstudio.com OR angiesstudio@centurytel.net

Thank you, Angie's Studio and Dance Team Faculty