

Broadway Bound Dance Studio— Class Dress Codes

Why is there a dress code?

“Dress codes serve many purposes when it comes to dance education. They create a sense of community and belonging (my friends are dressed like me, we have something in common), promote discipline (when it’s dance class, wearing my uniform is how I show my teacher I am ready to learn) and allow for full range of movement (I can move my whole body without anything getting in my way). Having a set dress code also reduces stress at home when preparing to come to dance class (when it’s time for dance, I know exactly what to wear!). From a teacher’s perspective, a dress code is a system put forth as part of our classroom management plan due to the fact that they eliminate distractions. Eliminating these distractions allows us to maximize our time together with dancing, learning, and growing.”—

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Class	Top/Leotard	Bottom/Tights	Shoes	Hair	Other
3-5 Ballet/Jazz	Option 1: Pink leotard Option 2: White tank top or tight-fitting t-shirt	Option 1: Pink convertible Tights Option 2: Black bike-length shorts	Option 1: Pink ballet shoes, black or tan gore shoes Option 2: Black ballet shoes, black or tan gore shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Convertible tights preferred, so that dancers can easily dress for following classes.
3-5 Tap/Hip Hop	Black leotard, black tank top or tight-fitting t-shirt	Black bike-length shorts or leggings	Black tap shoes and clean tennis shoes (any color) that are designated for studio use only.	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Tennis shoes must be clean and designated for studio usage only. Dirt, filth, and germs from street shoes can pollute dance floors, compromising the sterile environment.

4-7 Poms	Black leotard, black tank top or tight-fitting t-shirt	Black bike-length shorts or leggings	Clean tennis shoes (any color) that are designated for studio use only.	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Tennis shoes must be clean and designated for studio usage only. Dirt, filth, and germs from street shoes can pollute dance floors, compromising the sterile environment.
4-7 Tiny Tumblers	Black leotard, black tank top or tight-fitting t-shirt	Black bike-length shorts or leggings	Bare feet	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Tops must be tucked into shorts. Sports bras are highly recommended for female tumblers, in the case of their top falling over head.
6-7 Ballet/Jazz	Option 1: Pink leotard Option 2: White tank top or tight-fitting t-shirt	Option 1: Pink convertible Tights Option 2: Black bike-length shorts	Option 1: Pink ballet shoes, black or tan gore shoes Option 2: Black ballet shoes, black or tan gore shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Convertible tights preferred, so that dancers can easily dress for following classes.
6-7 Tap/Hip Hop	Black leotard, black tank top or tight-fitting t-shirt	Black bike-length shorts or leggings	Black tap shoes and clean tennis shoes (any color) that are designated for studio use only.	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Tennis shoes must be clean and designated for studio usage only. Dirt, filth, and germs from street shoes can pollute dance floors, compromising the sterile environment.
7-8 Pre-Ballet/Jazz	Option 1: Pink leotard Option 2: White tank top or tight-fitting t-shirt	Option 1: Pink convertible Tights Option 2: Black bike-length shorts	Option 1: Pink ballet shoes, black or tan gore shoes Option 2: Black ballet shoes, black or tan gore shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Convertible tights preferred, so that dancers can easily dress for following classes.

7-8 Pre-Tap/Hip Hop	Black leotard, black tank top or tight-fitting t-shirt	Black bike-length shorts or leggings	Black tap shoes and clean tennis shoes (any color) that are designated for studio use only.	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Tennis shoes must be clean and designated for studio usage only. Dirt, filth, and germs from street shoes can pollute dance floors, compromising the sterile environment.
Acro 1	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Bare feet	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Tops must be tucked into shorts. Sports bras are highly recommended for female tumblers, in the case of their top falling over head.
Acro 2	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Bare feet	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Tops must be tucked into shorts. Sports bras are highly recommended for female tumblers, in the case of their top falling over head.
Acro 3	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Bare feet	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Tops must be tucked into shorts. Sports bras are highly recommended for female tumblers, in the case of their top falling over head.
Ballet 1	Option 1: Pink leotard Option 2: White tank top or tight-fitting t-shirt	Option 1: Pink convertible Tights Option 2: Black bike-length shorts	Option 1: Pink ballet shoes Option 2: Black ballet shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Tights must be free of holes and/or snags. “If you wouldn’t wear it for a guest teacher, don’t wear it for any teachers!”

Ballet 2	Option 1: Pink or black leotard Option 2: White tank top or tight-fitting t-shirt	Option 1: Pink convertible Tights Option 2: Black bike-length shorts	Option 1: Pink ballet shoes Option 2: Black ballet shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Tights must be free of holes and/or snags. “If you wouldn’t wear it for a guest teacher, don’t wear it for any teachers!”
Ballet 3	Option 1: Black leotard Option 2: White tank top or tight-fitting t-shirt	Option 1: Pink convertible Tights Option 2: Black bike-length shorts	Option 1: Pink ballet shoes Option 2: Black ballet shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Tights must be free of holes and/or snags. “If you wouldn’t wear it for a guest teacher, don’t wear it for any teachers!”
Ballet 4/ Advanced Ballet	Option 1: Leotard of any color Option 2: White tank top or tight-fitting t-shirt	Option 1: Pink convertible Tights Option 2: Black bike-length shorts	Option 1: Pink ballet shoes Option 2: Black ballet shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Tights must be free of holes and/or snags. “If you wouldn’t wear it for a guest teacher, don’t wear it for any teachers!”
Ballroom Classes	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Bare feet, jazz shoes, or ballroom heels	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	
Contemporary (All levels)	Movable attire—sports bras should be worn under loose fitting clothing.	Movable attire— no French/brief cut bottoms	Bare feet	Secured, out of face.	
Hip Hop 1	Movable attire—sports bras should be worn under loose fitting clothing.	Movable attire— no French/brief cut bottoms	Clean tennis shoes (any color) that are designated for studio use only.	Secured, out of face.	Tennis shoes must be clean and designated for studio usage only. Dirt, filth, and germs from street shoes can pollute dance floors, compromising the sterile environment.

Hip Hop 2	Movable attire—sports bras should be worn under loose fitting clothing.	Movable attire— no French/brief cut bottoms	Clean tennis shoes (any color) that are designated for studio use only.	Secured, out of face.	Tennis shoes must be clean and designated for studio usage only. Dirt, filth, and germs from street shoes can pollute dance floors, compromising the sterile environment.
Hip Hop 3	Movable attire—sports bras should be worn under loose fitting clothing.	Movable attire— no French/brief cut bottoms	Clean tennis shoes (any color) that are designated for studio use only.	Secured, out of face.	Tennis shoes must be clean and designated for studio usage only. Dirt, filth, and germs from street shoes can pollute dance floors, compromising the sterile environment.
Jazz 1	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Jazz shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	
Jazz 2	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Jazz shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	
Jazz 3	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Jazz shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	
Jazz 4/ Advanced Jazz Progressions	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Jazz shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	
Lyrical 1	Movable attire—sports bras should be worn under loose fitting clothing.	Movable attire— no French/brief cut bottoms	Bare feet	Secured, out of face.	
Lyrical 2	Movable attire—sports bras should be worn under loose fitting clothing.	Movable attire— no French/brief cut bottoms	Bare feet	Secured, out of face.	

Lyrical 3	Movable attire—sports bras should be worn under loose fitting clothing.	Movable attire— no French/brief cut bottoms	Bare feet	Secured, out of face.	
Modern 1	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Bare feet	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	
Modern 2	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Bare feet	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	
Modern 3	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Bare feet	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	
Modern 4/ Advanced Modern	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Bare feet	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	
Musical Theatre	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Jazz shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	
Poms 1	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Clean tennis shoes (any color) that are designated for studio use only.	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Tennis shoes must be clean and designated for studio usage only. Dirt, filth, and germs from street shoes can pollute dance floors, compromising the sterile environment.
Poms 2	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Clean tennis shoes (any color) that are designated for studio use only.	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Tennis shoes must be clean and designated for studio usage only. Dirt, filth, and germs from street shoes can pollute dance floors, compromising the sterile environment.

Poms 3	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Clean tennis shoes (any color) that are designated for studio use only.	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Tennis shoes must be clean and designated for studio usage only. Dirt, filth, and germs from street shoes can pollute dance floors, compromising the sterile environment.
Pointe (All levels)	Option 1: Leotard of any color	Option 1: Pink convertible Tights	Pointe shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	Tights must be free of holes and/or snags. “If you wouldn’t wear it for a guest teacher, don’t wear it for any teachers!”
T.L.C. 1	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Jazz shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	
T.L.C. 2	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Jazz shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	
T.L.C. 3	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Jazz shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	
Tap 1	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Tap shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	
Tap 2	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Tap shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	
Tap 3	Tight fitting leotard, or tank top (any color) —no sports bras or loose t-shirts	Fitted bottoms (any color) —no French/brief cuts, tights welcomed, but not required	Tap shoes	Secured, out of face, and from neck. Free of fly-aways.	