



Fall Session  
Sept 23 – Dec 6  
10-Week Session



## Fall Season Info

This 10-week session begins on Tuesday, September 23 and concludes with our Holiday Showcase Saturday, December 6. Our fall break will be November 25–27. If classes are canceled due to inclement weather, we will send out make up class information ASAP. We follow the Carroll County Public School (CCPS) System for canceling classes. If CCPS are canceled, then all classes are canceled. If CCPS are delayed, morning classes will be delayed or canceled and evening classes will be evaluated by 3pm with an email sent out

to parents, as well as updates provided on our Merritt Dance Facebook group in the Merritt Clubs Eldersburg Facebook page. If a student is absent due to illness or travel, please contact your instructor directly or Dance Director, Chrissy Dawson at [cdawson@merrittclubs.com](mailto:cdawson@merrittclubs.com) to schedule a make-up time. We will end the session with a performance on Saturday, December 6. Instructors will reach out with more details for the performance.

## Class Descriptions

### BALLET/TAP

This class focuses on the fundamental elements of ballet technique and performance. Dancers will concentrate on body alignment, flexibility, and muscle control. In their tap portion of class dancers will learn how to use their feet to make different rhythms and sounds.

### INTRO TO DANCE

For ages 2-5, this class will educate the beginner student in ballet, tap, and creative movement. Fundamentals of technique will get your child started on the right foot.

### JAZZ

Jazz class will focus on learning proper dance technique such as isolations of the body, improving performance quality and developing complex rhythms and patterns. Students will be exposed to various styles of jazz such as Broadway, Street and Contemporary to help develop a well-rounded dancer.

### LYRICAL CONTEMPORARY

Lyrical dance is a style of dance created from the fusion of ballet and jazz and embodies forms of acrobatics and modern dance

techniques. While lyrical focuses on the expression of strong emotion, contemporary adds focus on proper technique, body placement, alignment and control.

### HIP HOP

Dancers will learn various hip-hop styles and body awareness to age appropriate music. Dancers will gain self-confidence, learn hip hop dances from the past all the way to today's popular dances, and have fun! Some of our choreography will include the free, rhythmic and fun tones of jazz dance to increase dancer's movement across the floor.

### COMPANY

In this class, dancers will learn technique and choreography for several different genres including but not limited to Tap, Jazz, Broadway, and Lyrical Contemporary. Dancers who would like to be considered for this class must be approved by the Dance Director prior to enrolling.

## Pricing

### 30-MINUTE CLASS

Members: \$139

Non-Members: \$179

### 45-MINUTE CLASS

Members: \$179

Non-Members: \$219

### 60-MINUTE CLASS

Members: \$219

Non-Members: \$269

### 90 MINUTE CLASS

Members: \$299

Non-Members: \$339

## Class Safety Procedures

- Limited class sizes for spacing and physical distancing
- Limited hands-on assist
- Parents/family members will not be allowed in the studios
- Please store all dance apparel and shoes in a bag. Coats, hats, gloves, etc. are not allowed in the studios. There are lockers located in the hallway by the family changing rooms or in the locker rooms for these items.
- Please help us keep the class flow going by having your child use the restroom prior to class.



## Classes

For more information, contact Chrissy Dawson  
410.549.8855 x9047 at [cdawson@merrittclubs.com](mailto:cdawson@merrittclubs.com).

### TUESDAY

5:00pm–5:30pm Intro to Dance (Ages 2–3)  
5:30pm–6:15pm Ballet/Tap Combo (Ages 3–5)  
6:15pm–7:00pm Hip Hop/Jazz (Ages 4–6)

5:30pm–6:30pm Hip Hop/Jazz (Ages 7–9)  
6:30pm–7:30pm Ballet/Tap Combo (Ages 7–9)  
7:30pm–8:30pm Adult Tap

### WEDNESDAY

9:30am–10:00am Intro to Dance (Ages 2–3)  
5:00pm–5:30pm Intro to Dance (Ages 2–3)  
5:30pm–6:15pm Hip Hop/Jazz (Ages 6–8)  
6:15pm–7:15pm Hip Hop (Advanced\*)  
7:15pm–8:45pm Company (Advanced\*)

5:30pm–6:15pm Ballet/Tap Combo (Ages 3–5)  
6:30pm–7:15pm Ballet/ Tap Combo (Ages 5–7)

### THURSDAY

5:00pm–5:45pm Ballet/Tap Combo (Ages 4–6)  
6:00pm–6:45pm Hip Hop/Jazz (Ages 5–7)  
7:00pm–8:00pm Hip Hop (Ages 8–11)

*\*Please contact Dance Director before  
registering for an Advanced class.*

## Policies

Please make sure your dancer has used the restroom and is dressed prior to class. Please no gum or snacks. Water bottles with water welcome in the dance studio.

Please make sure dancers don't have any dangling jewelry and have appropriate attire on for class. Parents/ guardians are welcome to stay in the club and wait for child in designated waiting area. Please avoid sitting in the class with your child as this can distract them and the instructor. Please be on time for pick up as the instructor may have another class right after and cannot watch the child. Refunds/credits will not be offered for missed classes. Email will be the primary form of communication. You can also follow the Merritt Dance Group on the Merritt Clubs Eldersburg Facebook page for program information and updates. If you have any questions please ask!

## Attire

### BALLET/TAP/INTRO TO DANCE

**Girls:** Leotard, tights, ballet and tap shoes, hair in bun or tight ponytail

**Boys:** Black pants, white shirt, ballet and tap shoes

### HIP HOP

**All Students:** Fitted black pants, tights, or athletic style long pants, fitted or tucked in solid color t-shirt, socks and sneakers (please no dresses or shorts)

### LYRICAL/JAZZ/ CONTEMPORARY/ COMPANY

**All Students:** Leotard, tights or form fitting long pant, tank top or fitted shirt, Jazz shoes, foot undies (barefoot is also allowed), hair in bun or tight ponytail

## To Register:

1. Go to <https://tinyurl.com/MerrittEldDance>
2. Click on "REGISTER TO BE A DANCER" (under Pick a class).
3. Fill out the camper application and choose Merritt Dance to locate class days and times.

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