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ARTS FAQ

YMCA OF PIERCE AND KITSAP COUNTIES



WELCOME

We are excited to see you! We celebrate diversity and the arts everywhere at the Y. Our arts and humanities program encourages personal expression and the freedom to create, and provides new experiences for kids.

We ask all arts students to please use the restroom before your class begins. Also, note that only water is allowed for drinks in our studios.

NEED TO KNOW

SUPPLIES

The majority of class supplies will be provided, check with your Arts Director for more specific information.

ATTIRE RECOMMENDATIONS

(Gently used attire available, contact your Arts Director)

Dance Classes

- **Ballet (Girls):** Tights and leotard in any color/style and ballet shoes. Hair pulled back and away from the face.
- **Ballet (Boys):** legging style pants (usually black), form-fitting t-shirt, and ballet shoes.
- **Jazz/ Modern/Contemporary:** Tights and leotard in any color/style, yoga/jazz pants and a form-fitting t-shirt, camisole, or short unitard with black jazz shoes.
- **Tap:** Tights and leotard in any color and style, yoga/jazz pants and a form-fitting short unitard, or shorts and form-fitting shirt. Black tap shoes.
- **Hip Hop:** Non-restrictive clothing, hip hop shoes (dance sneakers) or tennis shoes with non-marking soles to be used for class only.
- **Examples of dance attire attached.** We kindly ask that you not wear jeans to dance class.

Visual and Culinary Arts Classes

- **Please bring an apron or over-sized t-shirt** for students to wear, however, we always recommend wearing clothes that you don't mind getting messy in.
- **Short sleeves** are preferred or a shirt that easily rolls up and stays above the elbows.
- **For Culinary classes,** we recommend that you bring a cover up or apron, however, we always recommend wearing clothes that you don't mind getting messy in.
- We recommend wearing **closed-toe shoes** for art classes.
- Please notify the Arts Director of any **dietary restrictions** at the time of registration.

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Purchasing Dance Attire

- Online: discountdance.com
- Target
- Fred Meyer

DIGITAL ART CLASSES | GORDON FAMILY YMCA ONLY

- **The digital media lab is at the back of the dance room.** To minimize distractions for our dance students, we ask that you wait outside of the dance room near the observation area. Your instructor will meet you there and guide you into class.
- **You will walk into the media lab together as a group.** Please be extra quiet as you walk through the dance room.
- **If you arrive late for class, please send the student into the Digital Media Lab on their own.** Please shut the door gently behind you, be extra quiet, and do not run through the dance room.
- Please note that some of our piano classes are held in the Party Room, please check the schedule for your class location.

ARTWORK

- **Finished artwork must be taken** before the end of each session.
- **Always sign your artwork.** Unsigned artwork is not guaranteed to be saved.
- **Because of space limitations,** unclaimed artwork will be donated.

MAKING A CREATIVE WORK ZONE

Please remember:

- Everyone is an artist.
- Demonstrate caring by using only kind words.
- Be respectful of others by keeping your hands to yourself.
- Take responsibility for arriving to class on time, for listening first, and staying engaged throughout the class.
- Be brave, be honest, keep practicing, try your best, and stick with it.
- Have fun!

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