

# Season Overview 2025-26

Hello Everyone! We are so excited to have your family joining or returning to the CDC competition family this season. Welcome and congratulations! We are so eager to get started and work with all of your talented dancers and to see what the season brings.

## CONTACTS

1. Miss Allison, is the Director for ALL of Competition and is available for any and all comp questions at [cdccompetition@gmail.com](mailto:cdccompetition@gmail.com) and by text at **(408) 660-5250**.
2. Miss Taylor, Miss Chelsea, Miss Cassy, Miss Kaela and Miss Randi are our coaches and they will be teaching your dancer in weekly classes, and will attend events with you and also be at each competition along with our comp assistants Miss Indy, Miss Mia, Miss Keira, Miss Natalee, Miss Abby and CDC Alum Gale.
3. Miss Chelsea is our "Billing Coordinator" and handles competition billing. She is available for any and all comp finance/billing questions or concerns. She will be emailing from [cdccompbilling@gmail.com](mailto:cdccompbilling@gmail.com), If you have not received OR have questions on your bill please reach out to her directly. **Reminder: All bills will be signed this season!**
4. Miss Taylor will be our "Communication Coordinator" this competition season. She will be emailing you with all of the competition News & Updates. Everything will also be posted on our website. (Details below)
5. Miss Cassy is our "Costume Coordinator" and works alongside Miss Allison throughout the season on costume ordering, alterations and custom items. Miss Cassy's email is [support@capitoldancecompany.com](mailto:support@capitoldancecompany.com).

## MEMBER PAGE

We have a private "Member Page" on the [studio website](#). The password to access the page is all lowercase **"cuties2526"**. This page is used to house important competition-related documents and updates throughout our year! We will both email out info as well as save the files on the Member Page. If you miss an email or an update...check the Member Page.

## RULE REMINDERS!

All rules are enforced at the discretion of the Director. There are always internal factors that dictate all major decisions and if you have concerns please see me directly.

We continue to enforce the attendance rules:

- a. No more than one absence during the competition season per team, or you will be excluded from the next competition and/or the complete season.
- b. If you are absent for team rehearsal/class the week before a competition, you may not be able to compete at that competition. Dancer's attending school trips (Washington DC/Science Camp) please discuss with Miss Allison ASAP.

c. Please **contact your coach directly re: absences: Miss Allison** (408-660-5250) **Miss Taylor** (408-608-8050), **Miss Chelsea** (408-386-5276), **Miss Cassy** (408-857-5999)

Remember that you cannot compete or train with other dance studios. Some Teen/Senior dancers have permission to dance for Jr. and High School dance or cheer teams after **gaining permission from Miss Allison directly and proving there is no schedule conflict**. Should you have any questions regarding your dancer's opportunity to dance outside the studio, please speak to me directly.

Also, often dancers have the opportunity to take Master Classes, Ballroom or Pom in the Bay Area or out of town. If you are "in Season" (August- May) you will need Miss Allison's approval as we do not train with direct competitors. When it is out of season, competition dancers are free to take classes wherever they like.

Please note that if you are removed from the team due to absenteeism you will not be refunded money already paid for competitions, uniforms or costumes.

### **PARENT CONCERNS**

If you have an urgent issue that needs addressing or a problem of any kind please email Miss Taylor at the "cdccompinfo@gmail.com" or Miss Allison directly at "cdccompetition@gmail.com". Also, please give a 48-72 hour window response time in order for us to address the issue properly, document it and make the best decisions possible for all of the parties involved. As the team grows larger, we want to make sure that everyone is heard and that we are able to be as accessible as possible while still maintaining fairness and acting within our scope.

Also, please remember that we are teachers and coaches and will do what is in our power in that role to mentor, teach and support all of these talented young dancers. Coaches are not expected to answer emails or texts after business hours or on the weekend.

### **MASTER CLASSES**

This year some new and returning master teachers will be bringing their passion for dance to our CDC kids. **ALL MASTER CLASSES are highly encouraged for CDC competition dancers as part of their training**. Please sign up for master classes through our online studio portal. These fees are **not part** of your competition billing and are **paid online through the studio portal**. The dates are on your schedule and are generally 3-4:30pm (younger dancers) and 4:30-6pm (older dancers). Check the Main Studio emails and social media. The styles this year are: *Lyrical, Contemporary Fusion & Hip Hop*.

### **CONVENTION**

Select CDC dancers attend Bay Area dance conventions. If your dancer is attending it has been included in your bill:

- Hip Hop Advanced Seniors, Teens, and select Juniors and corresponding soloists will be attending and competing at MONSTERS of HIP HOP again this season.

- Advanced Junior, Teen and Senior dancers will be attending and competing at ASH (Artists Simply Human) this season.
- Some advanced dancers also attend additional conventions in their downtime outside of CDC. These dancers check in with Miss Allison for approval and register themselves independently.
- Dance conventions are fun but also challenging, very advanced and super crowded. Our younger, novice/intermediate or new to competition dancers are encouraged to take the Master Classes we provide at the studio. Please check your schedule. If you would like to take your dancer to a convention independently, please email Miss Allison.

## COMPETITION TIMES

In an effort to increase on-time arrivals at competitions, we will be giving you the **time we need you to arrive at the venue, NOT the time you are dancing**. Promptness is VERY important! Please arrive at the time you are given. If you are held up by unusual circumstances, please let us know. If your dancer shows up late, they run the risk of not competing. **Competitions do run early** and it is imperative that all dancers **be ON TIME and ready to dance!**

## PHOTOS/VIDEO from Competition

CDC usually receives a PHOTO & VIDEO package from one competition that includes ALL of our dancers; teams, duets and soloists. Some years we do not. If you really love a photo or video from a specific event we encourage you to purchase on your own. CDC does NOT pool monies the week or day of to get special rates with photographers. If we get the free Photo Video we will email everyone the link when we receive it and you are welcome to use it as you desire. This will be at no charge to you. Details as to which competition will be forthcoming.

## DECEMBER BREAK: Week of December 22rd to January 3rd ~ NO TEAM REHEARSALS!

## WINTER BREAK: We are open this year! ALL CLASSES AND TEAM REHEARSALS continue!

*\*We have competition on 2/14 weekend, please make accommodations to travel*

## SPRING BREAK: Week of April 6th-11th ~ NO TEAM REHEARSALS!

*\*We have competition on 4/17 weekend, please make accommodations to travel*

You are free to schedule your vacations accordingly. The studio will be closed and soloists are free to book with their coaches.

## COMMITMENT REQUIREMENTS

If you are going to be doing sports, performing in plays, or any other activity and you are going to be missing a number of dance classes to do those things, we request that you think first before competing with CDC. We understand that kids today are well rounded and in many different activities each week. Competitive dance requires physical and mental strength and over-commitment and burn-out is a very real concern today in younger dances and prohibits dancers from learning effectively and being mentally present in class. As a long term educator and dancer, I encourage you to think through your commitments and what your dancer and family can handle.


## SCHEDULE

Our schedule is tentative. All competitions have their venue dates and locations available but, things can change. So please, keep that in mind. The schedule is a **guideline for the year, please plan accordingly**. We have had revisions in the past so please check updated schedules that will be emailed and posted on the website to stay current. Also the “Alternate” competition is there in case another competition cancels. Please hold the weekend and we will release the weekend once the full schedule is finalized, generally in December/January.

## UNIFORMS

Every year dancers will need to have:

1. 24/25 Season Tee (Returning Dancers: included in the billing already we just need your size)
2. CDC Jacket
3. Competition Duffle

If you need a new Jacket or Duffle please place your order. Dancers can also add a “CDC Cuties ” Crewneck Sweatshirt in a NEW COLOR combo and additional items like our CDC Sweatpants, also in a new color! Also, parents and family members can add a “Season Tee” or a “Parent V-Neck” to show your support!

Uniform Forms will be emailed out and will also be available on the website. Sizing is standard and there will be a **size chart on Page 2** of the document. **There will be no in-studio uniform fittings and NO reorders!** **ORDERS DUE 8/15 with BILL #1**

## PAYMENTS

This year we are changing our installment plan payments back to a total of **five rather than four payments**.

- **All payments need to be made out to “Allison Fields Dance”.**
- **Five installments:** August to December
- All bills will be **due on the 15th of each month**.
- **Place checks in the hanging competition box in the lobby** across from the front desk.
- Checks save the extremely high credit card rates and keep costs down although we understand it is not ideal. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding!

*We are looking forward to an amazing season. Thank you in advance for your support and dedication. We are off to an incredible start!*