**THE HAMILTON SCHOOL OF DANCE**

 **~*Under the Direction of Jeannine Penfield~***

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 ***~* SCHOOL PROCEDURES ~**

***DANCE ATTIRE:***

***\*Ballet –* Black Leotard, Ballet pink (not theatrical pink) Tights, La Mendola, Capezio, or Revolution pink Ballet shoes. No Baggie Leg Warmers, Pink or Black Leg Warmers only. Pointe shoes – Capezio’s or Freed’s unless instructor indicates otherwise. Black Unitards allowed. Black or Pink ballet skirts are allowed.**

**\**Children’s Combo Class –* same as Ballet and White tap shoes, with tap straps.**

**\**Tiny Tots Dance Movement –* same as Ballet**

**\**All Students –* are required to wear a Leotard and tights at all times.**

**No street shoes are allowed in the dance room and NO DANCE SHOES ARE ALLOWED IN THE STREET. No hanging earrings or excessive jewelry allowed.**

**NO BAGGIE SHIRTS, NO SWEAT SHIRTS, NO SWEAT PANTS, ETC.**

**\**Tap –* Children’s classes – white tap shoes, including tap straps. Teens and adult classes – tan Chorus girl tap shoes with rubber. Any color leotard and tights, black jazz pants allowed.**

**\**Jazz & Hip Hop –* Black rubber bottom jazz shoes. Any color leotard and tights, or leotard with dance black jazz pants. No sweat pants, t-shirts, colored pants.**

***\*Gymnastics –* leather, rubber bottomed gym shoes. Any color leotard and tights. NO PANTS**

**ALL SKIRTS AND SHORTS NEED TO BE AUTHENTIC DANCEWARE**

**NO dress up skirts, running shorts, or street clothes!**

***FOR ALL YOUR DANCEWEAR NEEDS***

**We carry a full line of dancewear. La Mendola, Art Stone, Capezio, Bloch and Marika manufacture quality dancewear that will hold up for the hardworking dance student.**

**If you do not wish to purchase items through the studio, we require our students to have the styles indicated in the school procedures.**

**We do not allow vinyl, cardboard bottomed ballet shoes (as offered in certain well known shoe stores) because the student will never learn to correctly point their toes in these shoes. Also, we recommend that dance shoes be fitted by a professional dancewear store. Ballet shoes fitted correctly should be smaller than your street shoes. A good ballet shoe will stretch as the child grows.**

**Our La Mendola, Art Stone, & Capezio dancewar and shoes are the same price as the La Mendola factory and Capezio shop.**

**This notice is for your assistance. Parents who are not knowledgeable in the proper dancewear have had problems in the past. If you have any questions or concerns do not hesitate to ask. We are always here to help any way possible.**