



North Star Specialty Dance Policy



At our studio, we are committed to providing high-quality choreography while ensuring our teachers are fairly compensated for their time, creativity, and expertise. To better reflect the time and resources required to create specialty dances, we have updated our pricing structure for all solos, duets, and trios.

We have also established this new Specialty Dance Policy to provide greater clarity and consistency regarding choreography, rehearsals, scheduling, and fees for solos, duets, and trios.

Specialty Dance Fees – As of 8/1/2026

Specialty	Fee
Solo	\$500
Duet	\$375 per dancer
Trio	\$325 per dancer
Extended Session	\$100

Choreography includes:

- Creative planning and conceptual development
- Music selection and editing
- Preparation before rehearsals
- Designated instructional time to teach the choreography

Studio overhead includes:

- Use of studio space during choreography sessions during off-hours when studio is normally closed
- Utilities and operating expenses during off-hours when studio is normally closed
- Increased wear and tear on flooring at either studio from additional studio use over & above regular class usage

Time Allocation

Approximately 5-6 hours of instruction will be allocated, typically scheduled over 2-3 rehearsal sessions. If additional time is needed to complete the choreography, the following rates will apply:

- **Extended Specialty Dance Fee:** \$100
 - Includes an additional 1-2 hours of choreography instruction.

Once choreography has been completed, any future rehearsals will be scheduled as private lessons at the current private lesson rates. Private rates begin once the choreography is completed.

Cleaning & Private Lesson Rates

The choreography fee covers creating and teaching the dance. It does not include ongoing maintenance or season-long rehearsal ("cleaning") of the routine. Once choreography is complete, dancers may schedule private lessons to refine technique, improve performance quality, and prepare or "clean" for competitions.

Specialty Type	Duration	Fee
Solo	30 minutes	\$45
Solo	1 hour	\$75
Solo (per dancer)	Package (5 one hr privates)	\$350
Duet/Trio	30 minutes	\$30
Duet/Trio	1 hour	\$50
Duet/Trio (per dancer)	Package (5 one hr privates)	\$200
Group (per dancer)	5 or less specialty dancers	\$30
Group (per dancer)	6 – 9 dancers	\$25
Group (per dancer)	10 or more dancers	\$20



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Specialty Dance Guidelines

- Choreography rehearsal blocks will be scheduled between the choreographer and the parent/dancer based on availability.
- Choreographers will determine the music, choreography, costume, and overall artistic direction of each routine. Dancer input may be considered, but all final decisions rest with the choreographer.
- Once choreography is complete, all additional rehearsals will be billed at the current private lesson rates.
- Specialty dances may be rehearsed during Company classes when approved by the instructor; however, Company class time may not be used for routine cleaning or private instruction.
- Any rehearsals outside of regular classes must be scheduled in advance as private lessons.
- The studio will provide designated times for dancers to rehearse independently when the studio is open and space is available. A schedule of available practice times will be shared throughout the season.

Cancellation Policy:

Private choreography sessions and cleaning rehearsals canceled with less than 24 hours' notice will be charged in full, except in cases of illness or emergency. This helps ensure instructors are compensated for reserved teaching time.