

Airborne Dance Dress Code

Why Does Dress Code Matter? Wearing the right attire is a crucial part of dance training for all ages, just like equipment in any other sport. Our dress code isn't just about how we look; it's about **preparing the mind and body** for the best learning experience.

Proper dancewear helps dancers:

- **Focus & Minimize Distractions:** When dancers are dressed appropriately with hair secured away from their face and neck, they can fully immerse themselves in learning without external disruptions for themselves or others. Distracting fabrics, busy patterns, or loose hair can pull attention away from what's happening in class.
- **Boost Confidence & Unity:** Uniformity fosters a strong sense of teamwork. When students look like dancers and are dressed similarly, they feel more prepared, confident, and connected, creating a cohesive and supportive group.
- **Enhance Learning & Visibility:** Proper attire allows dancers to clearly see body alignment, posture, and technique. This is vital for processing corrections from instructors and ensuring safe training, helping every dancer understand and improve their movement. Excess fabric, busy patterns, or large logos can obscure these critical visual cues.

We ask that families take no longer than **2-4 weeks into class** to purchase the proper attire. If students are not displaying proper dress code, teachers will give dancers a friendly reminder of what is required. If it is a continued problem, teachers may ask students to leave class and borrow a leotard/clothing from the front desk. Please ask your teacher if you have questions on your class dress code and/or need assistance in finding proper attire.

We thank you in advance for understanding and following our Airborne Dance Dress Code policies.

General Dress Code Guidelines:

To ensure a productive and safe learning environment for everyone, please adhere to these general guidelines for all classes:

- **Hair:** Hair must always be **secured neatly** away from the face (e.g., in a bun, ponytail, or braid). Loose hair can impair vision and become a distraction during movement.
- **Jewelry & Accessories:** For safety and focus, only **small, minimal earrings** are permitted. Large or distracting jewelry and accessories are not allowed.
- **Dance Shoes:** Your dance shoes should **NEVER be worn outdoors** (including sneakers for hip hop). Wearing them outside tracks in dirt, debris, and harsh elements (like salt or gravel) which can damage our specialized studio flooring and compromise its safety and cleanliness.
- For your convenience, we have a selection of shoes, leotards and tights for sale at Airborne. We also recommend Boulder Body Wear (2850 Arapahoe Rd #104, Lafayette, CO 80026, or online www.boulderbodywear.com). Tell them you're from Airborne and what classes you are taking and they will get you everything you need! Also, check out Discount Dance and DanceWear Solutions for online convenience!

DancingBees, Dancenastics and Mini Class Dress Code:

- Option 1: Leotard or dance dress with pink or skin tone dance tights. Option 2: Appropriate dance pants/leggings and form-fitting athletic tops.
- Hair secured back from face/neck whenever possible.
- Shoes appropriate for style:
 - Pink or black ballet dance shoes
 - Black tap shoes
 - Black jazz shoes

Dancenastics: For Dancenastics classes, bare feet are required in the gym. Dancers can wear footless tights, convertible tights, or no tights for this class. Students are welcome to wear gymnastics leotards as well.

For our youngest dancers, we know that comfort and happiness in their dance attire are key to a positive experience. While we have a general dress code, our priority is always to **nurture their love for dance, not to create a battle over clothing!** We believe in supporting **body autonomy**, allowing our young movers to feel secure and independent in their choice of comfortable, movable clothes. You'll find our dress code is more strictly enforced for older students, but for this age group, we simply want them happy and eager to participate.

Leveled Technique Dance Classes (Levels 1-3) Dress Code

As dancers progress to our Leveled Technique classes, adhering to a proper dress code becomes more important to their overall training and progression.

Ballet Classes: All our ballet classes follow the American Ballet Theatre (ABT) training program, including specific dress codes per level.

- **Ballet Level 1 and 2, ages 6-8:** Bloch Prisha Short Sleeve Skirted Leotard in Candy Pink or Light Pink.
Option #1: [Link to purchase](#) Option #2: [Link to purchase](#)
- **Ballet Level 1, ages 9+ :** Bloch Prisha Short Sleeve Skirted Leotard in Pastel Blue.
Child Size Option: [Link to purchase](#)
Adult Size Option: [Leotard in Light Blue](#) with Skirt Option 1: [Pull on skirt in Light Blue](#) OR Skirt Option 2: [Wrap skirt in Light Blue](#)
- **Ballet Level 2, ages 9 :** Bloch Prisha Short Sleeve Skirted Leotard in Lavender.
Child Size Option: [Link to purchase](#)
Adult Size Option: [Leotard in Lavender](#), [Wrap skirt in Lavender](#)
- Boys Dress Code for all Levels: Any brand black dance pants and plain white athletic t-shirt. [Picture for Reference](#)
- Female students should also have pink ballet tights and pink ballet shoes.
- Male students should also have black ballet shoes.
- All long hair should be pulled back in a ballet bun.

Jazz, Modern and Tap Classes:

- Dance pants, leggings, or shorts and a leotard or form-fitting top. Leotards and tank-tops are best. All attire should be form-fitting and a solid color.
- Shoes appropriate for style:
 - Jazz: Black jazz shoes. *Preferred Shoe Style: Capezio Black Slip-on (available at Boulder Body Wear) or Dance Class Slip-on (sold at Airborne).*
 - Modern: Bare feet
 - Tap: Black tap shoes. *Preferred Shoe Style: Capezio Lace-up (available at Boulder Body Wear).*

Hip-Hop:

- Dance pants, leggings or shorts and leotard or form fitting top.
- Shoes: Black and white sneakers. Please remember that your class shoes should not be worn outside.

Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns about the dress code requirements. We are happy to help find the best options that are appropriate for class and make your dancer feel confident and ready to dance!