

Discipline Policy and Consequences:

- 1) *Follow the teacher's instructions:* Paying attention and listening well will eliminate distractions and will increase the amount of work that will be accomplished. If there are distractions, time will be wasted on repeated questions and unnecessary comments from everyone in the studio.
- 2) *Respect yourself and others in class:* Take care of what you are doing and your behavior. Allow others the same opportunities. Keep in mind that some people are shy and do not feel comfortable being the center of attention. If you accidentally bump or hit someone during an exercise apologize when the exercise is over. Watch your language; whether it is directed to someone in the class or not, cursing or condescending remarks are **NOT** allowed, much less appreciated. Respect and cooperation are necessary for everyone in class to learn at their own pace and develop the confidence to perform. This will ensure each student's progress and will improve each student's daily grade. If excessive talking is a problem, a separate discipline contract will be implemented.
- 3) *Obey all New Bern High School rules in addition to those in the classroom:* The teacher is expected by the New Bern High School administration to enforce the school's rules consistently and will do so. This includes the use of cell phones during class time. **They should be in your book bags/purses at all times and not in your pockets or anywhere else on your person.**
- 4) *No food, no drinks, no gum, and no snacks are allowed **at any time**:* This includes going to the snack machines on the way to or from the locker rooms. If there is a mishap in the studio, it may damage the floor thereby causing problems and possibly injuries for the students.
- 5) *PLEASE be on time and ready for class to start:* All students are required to be in class for at least eighty- five (85) minutes before being counted absent, as stated by the Craven County Attendance Policy. This will allow everyone to learn the objectives for the day, improve in their dance technique and choreographic skills, and will eliminate the distractions involved with entering class late. After the second tardy the student will be written up and the referral will be turned into their Assistant Principal for each subsequent tardy.

If there is a consistent problem with a student following any of these rules, the following consequences will be implemented:

First Offense - a verbal warning will be given;

Second Offense - the student will be required to stay for a thirty minute detention period;

Third Offense - the student's parents will be called;

Fourth Offense - the student will receive a written referral which will be sent to Chill-Out;

Fifth Offense - a contract will be created between the student and the teacher with the length of the contract being determined by the student and the teacher. The parents will be notified by the teacher of the implementation of the contract;

Sixth Offense - there will be a parent/teacher conference.

Please keep in mind that the discipline policy and the consequences are to ensure respect and safety for everyone taking part in classes in the dance studio.