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 Open Audition No Charge Video Audition \$42.00
 Private Audition \$42.00 Referral
 Level of Audition _____

New Student Audition Application Form

There are 3 ways to audition for Strive Dance Academy's Competitive Program

1. **Open Audition - No Charge** 2. **Video Audition - \$42.00** 3. **Private Audition - \$42.00**
 Please see Audition FAQ sheet below for complete details.

Dancer's Name: _____ Gender: M ___ F ___
 D.O.B: dd/mm/yyyy Age as of June 1: _____ Years of Training: _____
 Mailing Address: _____ Post Code: _____
 Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____
 Email Address (Please Print Clearly): _____
 Home Phone #: _____ Cell Phone #: _____ Work Phone #: _____
 How did you hear about Strive? _____ Name of Referral: _____
 Any health issues that SDAS should be aware of prior to the audition: (ie. Allergies etc)

Present/Previous Dance Studio Name: _____
 Please outline your dance training below:

Studio(s)	Teacher(s)	# of Years	Dance Disciplines	# of Classes/wk

Last Examinations completed: _____ RAD Ballet: Level _____ Result _____
 ADAPT Jazz: Level _____ Result _____ ADAPT Tap: Level _____ Result _____
 Other Discipline/Method/Syllabus: _____
 Level _____ Result _____ Year _____
 What type of enrichment opportunities have you had in the past year? Summer Camp, Conventions,
 Extra Work. _____

***PLEASE NOTE** - An email confirmation, including date and time of audition, will be sent to you upon receipt of your application materials.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND WAIVER

The parent/guardian of the named dancer accept the liability and risk associated with dance and dance instruction and release the Strive Dance Academy Society, its directors, teachers, employees, agents and volunteers from any claim, demands, damages, actions or causes of action arising out of or in consequence of any loss, injury or damage to the dancer incurred while participating in any dance program classes approved by the SDAS, its directors, teachers, employees, agents and volunteers. The parent/guardian agrees to indemnify the SDAS, its directors, teachers, employees, agents and volunteers (the 'indemnities') from any claims or demands which might be made against the indemnities arising out of the loss, injury or damage mentioned above.

CONSENT, RELEASE AND WAIVER

I hereby acknowledge that I have read and understood the information on this form and that the information on this form is accurate. I understand that any information taken from this form is used solely for dance related purposes in the operation of Strive Dance Academy Society.

Signature: _____ Date: _____
 (This waiver must be signed by the parent or legal guardian if the dancer is under 18 years of age)



Audition FAQ

Why does Strive audition potential dancers?

We hold auditions to assess potential students' technical strengths and weaknesses, and to help decide what level a dancer will be placed at for the start of the upcoming season.

Understanding the current level of applicants, coupled with knowledge of returning dancers, also allows us to customize our enrichment and regular programming for the season.

Due to our small class sizes and commitment to providing our students with the highest quality dance education in Central Alberta, spots are limited on each team. Auditions allow us to assess each potential student individually to determine their best placement at the academy.

How do dancers audition to attend Strive?

There are various ways to audition and we encourage you to [contact us](#) to discuss the best option for your dancer. (*Options below*)

Open Auditions – Thursday, June 18, 2015

We hold open auditions in June and if there is remaining space, we will also hold auditions in August. We will host classes in three levels:

Level 1: Ages 6 - 9 years

Level 2: Ages 10 - 13 years

Level 3: Ages 14+ years

Students will be asked to attend a sampler class including 20 minutes of ballet, 20 minutes of jazz, and 20 minutes of tap, with some of Strive's current dancers.

Private Audition – June – August, 2015

Contact our office at 403-346-0004 or info@strivedanceacademy.ca to set up a private audition. Our instructors will ask your dancer to do basic steps and choreography in ballet, tap and jazz and teach them a short piece of choreography. (Please note there is a \$40 fee per dancer for private assessments.)

Video Audition – Final date August 15, 2015

We will accept video auditions of potential students dancing in class or dancing on stage (groups or solo). If you study ballet, tap and jazz we would love to see all three disciplines.

Please contact our office at 403-346-0004 or email info@strivedanceacademy.ca for information on how to submit your video audition. (Please note, there is a \$40 fee per dancer for video assessments.)

To increase your chance of successful placement, we encourage video applicants to apply early. Video submissions will not be accepted after August 15, 2015.

What happens at an open audition? Are open auditions scary?

We do our best to make this an enjoyable experience for you and your dancer. We feel this gives your family a chance to see our facility, meet some of our staff and volunteers, and see what Strive is all about.

During the audition, our instructors may ask your dancer to: execute basic steps, learn a short piece of choreography and apply corrections during the audition. Please note, Strive is a collaborative teaching environment so there may be more than one instructor watching during the audition.

To make potential dancers more comfortable, some of our own students will attend open auditions. This gives our instructors the opportunity to see your child dance with dancers of different levels and varying ages.

Parents are asked to relax in our lobby during auditions or you may drop off your dancer and pick them up at the end of their allotted time.

We look forward to sharing our love of dance with you and your dancer!

How will I know if my dancer was accepted at Strive?

Our office will contact you by email within two weeks of your audition to advise if your child's audition led to successful placement with Strive.

Please don't hesitate to contact us at 403-346-0004 or info@strivedanceacademy.ca if you have further questions during the process.

If accepted, what level will my dancer be placed at?

If offered a spot at Strive, your dancer may be required to attend a placement class to determine which level of our program they will dance in. Strive instructors determine a dancer's level based on a number of factors including: previous exams, experience, technique, age, and spots available per level.

Placement of students in dance levels may be adjusted during the dance season, if it is deemed necessary by teaching staff.

Why do Strive dancers have to enroll in three core dance disciplines (tap/jazz/ballet)?

Ballet, Tap and Jazz are our core disciplines and all dancers at Strive train in these three areas. We believe that emphasizing good technique in these three disciplines provides a strong technical base, which allows dancers to progress into more advanced genres with maximum success.

We also offer numerous enrichment options to our students including: stretch and strength, jumps and turns, musical theatre, acro, contemporary, modern, lyrical and hip hop.

Strive also provides enrichment instruction and additional opportunities to assist dancers that may not have training in all three of our core disciplines, or those who require or request additional training in these areas.

Can my child audition if they don't have any dance experience?

We have programming for various levels and ages and encourage you to [contact us](#) to find out what

Strive can offer your dancer!

Can dancers audition if they don't have experience in the three core areas taught at Strive (tap/jazz/ballet)?

Yes they can! However if they have limited or less training in one of these styles, we will set up classes to support your dancer's growth and help them build their technical skills and confidence in areas they need development.

If my dancer is not accepted, can I audition again next year?

We hope you will! We recognize that dancers will mature, gain skill, and strengthen at different rates. We welcome all dedicated students who are interested in dancing with us to audition every spring.

Do Strive dancers have to audition each year?

Returning students don't attend a yearly assessment to maintain their enrollment in our competitive dance program, however, they need to display dedication and commitment to the academy to return the following year.

How do I get more information on the programming offered at Strive?

For more information, visit our website, phone our office at 403-346-0004 or email info@strivedanceacademy.ca. You can also check us out on [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#), [Instagram](#) or [Twitter!](#)