

Here at RSD, we strive to provide a “Family Atmosphere.” We want all our students and their families to feel that this is their home away from home. We strive to instill the discipline for the art form of dance. We want our students to learn that it is not just about learning how to dance, but learning to work hard, persevere and respect themselves, their peers and their teachers. In order for us to set this standard, we have adopted a **NO BULLYING** policy. The following Code of Conduct will address how our students and parents/guardians are expected to behave. **Parents and students are required to sign off on the bottom of this form and return it on your first day of dance. Students who do not return this form on the first day of classes will only be allowed to participate by observing.**

RSD Student Code of Conduct:

1. All students are to respect studio property. Please no hanging on barres, picking paint off walls or barres, or purposely defacing property. Please leave the place you dance clean and better than you found it so all students can enjoy the space.
2. All students are to respect themselves. Please come to class in proper dress code. Please use proper hygiene and keep your bodies free and clean of writing and temporary tattoos.
3. All students are to respect their peers. This includes both in and out of the classroom. Text messaging or any form of social media referencing directly or indirectly to any student in a negative way will not be tolerated.
4. All students must respect their teachers and staff of RSD. This includes being respectful in and out of the classroom. No student is permitted to talk back to an employee or refuse to comply to reasonable requests from a teacher or staff member. Text messaging or any form of social media referencing directly or indirectly to any teacher or staff member in a negative way will not be tolerated.
5. All students must respect the studio. Please speak respectfully of the studio including in person and social media.
6. All students are to refrain from cursing, foul gestures, racial slurs, and bullying, whether physical, mental or emotional. This includes social media posts.
7. All students will be held accountable for their own behavior and work ethic.
8. Students and Company Members are the face of RSD and should conduct themselves in a way that reflects positively on the studio at all times.

RSD Parents/Guardian Code of Conduct:

1. All parents/guardians are to be the example for their children and respect the business of RSD both in and out of the studio. This includes speaking positively both in and out of the studio, through text messages and emails and on all social media sites referencing both directly and indirectly to the studio.
2. All parents/guardians are to speak respectfully to/of all RSD students/families/staff. This includes both in and out of the studio, through text messages and email and on all social media sites referencing both directly and indirectly to students/family/staff.
3. All parents/guardians are to refrain from cursing, foul gestures, racial slurs, and bullying, whether physical, mental or emotional. This includes social media posts.
4. All parents/guardians are to encourage hard work, discipline and respect for the art of dance with their children. This includes leading by example. If your child should come home disappointed about a placement or not making a team, it is your responsibility to encourage them to work harder to improve. Remind your child that hard work pays off and that everyone grows at a different rate. Encourage your child to ask their teacher for help or pointers at any time for improvement. Remind your child that it is not their placement but their growth that is important. Remember not to put students down that do excel at a faster rate. All children learn and lead by example. Please set the right example for your child.
5. All parents/guardians are to respect the expertise of our teachers and not question their decisions related to placement.
6. All parents/guardians will teach their child to accept responsibility for their actions and be held accountable.

Failure to comply with the above Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action or dismissal from the studio without a refund on any student or parent/guardian. Remember to be the example so that we can work together to make this a fun environment for our students to dance in.

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Due Upon Second Week of Classes (week of September 21)

By signing below, I (student/ parent/guardian) agree that I have read, understand and will abide by the Code of Conduct put in place at Richie School of Dance.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_