KEY WEST SPORTS ACADEMY

TWISTERS

DAZZLERS

ALL STAR PREP DANCE TEAM

2019-2020 DAZZLERS PROGRAM INFORMATION

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Join the Key West Sports Academy Family!

Thank you for your interest in the Competitive Prep Dance Program at Key West Sports Academy! We are proud to offer this exciting opportunity for young dancers to explore dance in a semi-competitive environment. The Competitive Prep Dance program is designed to teach the basic technique of dance while preparing a full routine to be competed in the Prep category at competitions. It is a wonderful opportunity to discover the desire and skills of your athlete.

We are proud to offer a dedicated coaching staff committed to the concept of sportsmanship and team building. Our expectation is that all our dancers respect each other, their coaches and their fellow competitors. We feel that it is important for our participants to learn about the structure of organized programs, both in the studio and at competitions. We believe that with this knowledge our dancers gain confidence and meet team goals. We consistently promote achievement and the pursuit of excellence with all our dancers.

We appreciate your interest in our Competitive Prep Dance program and look forward to working with your dancer.

Sincerely,
Suzanne Wilbarger, Owner
Suzanne@keywestsportsacademy.com

Why All Star Dance?

TEAM WORK- Unlike studio dance teams, All Star Dance teams must focus on the team as a whole, the team is only as strong as the weakest player, as a result every team member has an equally rewarding, positive experience.

RETURN ON INVESTMENT- Want your child to have the opportunity to participate on a collegiate team? Collegiate dance teams are essentially all star dance teams! Scholarships are available for collegiate dancers.

"Helping today's youth achieve their personal best through our commitment to instill:

respect, structure and confidence

in each athlete within a fun and safe environment."

TEAM PLACEMENT CHECKLIST

- KWSA Registration Form
- KWSA Liability Waiver
- Dance Team Form (in this packet)
- Financial Agreement (in this packet)
- Copy of Birth Certificate

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Joining a team is simple! Complete the team placement checklist and you will be placed on a team. Practices begin September 9th. The last day to join is October 7th.

PRACTICE SCHEDULE

Tuesdays 6:45-8:00pm and Fridays 4:00-5:00pm

Optional Hip Hop: Tuesdays 4:00-4:45

CHOREOGRAPHY DATES

Will be announced by September 28th.

TEAM EVENTS

- September 14, 2019- NATIONAL CHEER & DANCE DAY @ KWSA
- October 19, 2019- A Day to Remember
- October 27, 2019- CHILDREN'S DAY @BAYVIEW PARK
- November 2, 2018- COMMUNITY DAY @FKCC
- December 7, 2018- HOLIDAY PARADE @KWSA

- Additional events will be added to this schedule as details become available.

COMPETITION SCHEDULE

ALL OUT NATIONALS
February 1-2, 2020
Orlando, FL

ALL OUT SEASON SHOWDOWN
April 25th, 2020
Orlando, FL

FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS

Thank you for your careful consideration of the financial commitment involved with participating in our Competitive Prep Dance program.

At Key West Sports Academy, we are up front with our costs.Team Tuition covers practice time and allows you to take additional dance classes for 50% off the normal tuition price. Team Fees cover competition entry fees, choreography &music, costumes, USASF membership and coaches fees. All payments and fees are non-refundable and non-transferrable, no exceptions.

All KWSA families are required to pay the yearly registration fee of $65 per athlete.

JAZZ/VARIETY TEAM

TEAM FEES:	**$760**
SEVEN TUITION PAYMENTS:	**$125**

CHEER CROSSOVER ATHLETES

$730	TEAM FEES
$115	SEVEN TUITION PAYMENTS

OPTIONAL HIP HOP TEAM ADDTL FEES

TEAM FEES:	**$440**
ADDTL TUITION:	**$40 PER SESSION**

Team fees are due upon enrollment.

TUITION PAYMENT DUE DATES:

1. September 9, 2019
2. October 7, 2019
3. November 4, 2019
4. December 9, 2019
5. January 27, 2020
6. February 24, 2020
7. March 30, 2020

Competitive Prep Dance Registration Form

Return this registration form with payment by October 7th, 2019 to Key West Sports Academy 700 Truman Ave Key West FL.

Dancer's Name_____ Home Number_____

Age as of 08/31/19_____ DOB_____

Parent's Name _____

Address _____

City, Zip _____

Are you currently enrolled in classes at KWSA? _____Yes _____No

Athlete's Leotard Size: *circle one*

Youth: XS S M L XL Adult: S M L

Are there any scheduling conflicts that you are expecting? Please include non-refundable vacation plans and mandatory school events that you are aware of. (Other sports, church, etc) We do our best to work around scheduling conflicts for the good of the team.

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DESCRIBE ANY MEDICAL PROBLEMS OR INJURIES

_____

Please list who the participant may be released to in case of an emergency and the parents cannot be reached:
NAME _____ RELATION_____ CELL #_____
NAME _____ RELATION_____ CELL #_____
MEDICAL INSURANCE COMPANY _____ POLICY # _____

TREATMENT / PUBLICITY / LIABILITY RELEASE WAIVER

I have read the information contained in the Competitive Cheerleading 2016-2017 packet, in which this application can be found, in its entirety and agree to abide by all rules/standards/agreements stated therein. I authorize any licensed physician to render necessary emergency treatment for injury or serious illness when neither parent can be reached and will assume all financial responsibility for treatment. I acknowledge that the above participant must have his/her own medical insurance. I understand that cheerleading camps, competitions, practices, clinics, and gymnastics equipment have an inherent danger in participation and that in spite of all precautions and accident preventatives, injuries do occur. I further acknowledge that each participant has elected to participate in Key West Sports Academy LLC at their own risk and will not hold Key West Sports Academy LLC employees and/or instructors liable for any and all injuries that may occur while participating in the cheerleading. The undersigned does hereby grant Key West Sports Academy and its successors, the unrestricted right to use the undersigned's name, likeness, or appearance on any Key West Sports Academy publications and in any form, content or medium to promote or market key West Sports Academy LLC. The undersigned does hereby expressly release and waive any demand, action, claim, license, royalty, or other form of payment the undersigned, and his or her agents, representatives or assigns, may have based on the claims of the undersigned as to rights of privacy, publicity, notoriety or any other rights arising out of or relating to any use by Key West Sports Academy LLC of the undersigned's name, likeness, or appearance.

Parent's Signature: _____ Date:_____

FINANCIAL CONTRACT

THIS FORM IS DUE AT BEFORE YOU WILL BE PLACED ON A TEAM

I, _____ of _____
(Print name of parent/legal guardian) (Print name of team member)

understand that in exchange for participation in the Key West Sports Academy dance program:

- I understand and agree that monthly tuition payments are due the first DAY of each session.
- I understand and agree that I am responsible for keeping track of due dates, reminders may or may not be sent out.
- I also understand and agree that as a parent/guardian signing the contract; I am solely responsible for PAYMENTS.
- Furthermore I understand that the Team Fees, Choreography fee, Camp Fee, Registration fee, Practice Clothes, Uniform, Warm-ups and Bag, and Competition fees are all additional costs that are due on their exact due dates.
- I understand that **all Fees and Payments are non-refundable.**
- I understand that there are no refunds for illness or injury or team dismissal. **I am obligated to pay for the entire season per the fees outlined in this packet**.
- I understand that I am subject to a late fee charge of $25.00 for every TUITION payment not made on the exact due date.
- I understand that I am subject to a late fee charge of 20% for every FEE payment not made on the exact due date.
- I understand that excessive tardiness in payments will be grounds for my child not competing, possible dismissal and my account being sent to a professional collection agency.
- If I choose to leave the program prior to April 25th, 2020 I am subject to a $200 buy-out fee plus the remainder of the fees for the season.

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

I understand and agree to allow Key West Sports Academy LLC to charge the card and / or bank check card (with major credit card symbol) that I have provided below in the case that I do not get my payments in on the designated due dates. Key West Sports Academy will allow a 10 day grace period after the due date before charging the card. I guarantee that the card and number provided are valid and accurate. I understand that my try-out fee will be charged to the card provided below at try-outs.

CREDIT CARD / BANK CHECK CARD

VISA MASTERCARD AMERICAN EXPRESS DISCOVER

_____ _____
CARD NUMBER NAME ON CARD

_____ _____ _____
EXP DATE MM/YY CVV CODE ZIP CODE

_____
BILLING ADDRESS

☐ I authorize Key West Sports Academy to charge the above card for the first monthly tuition payment and KWSA registration fee ($65).

☐ I authorize Key West Sports Academy to charge all payments and late fees on the tenth day past their due date. REQUIRED

☐ Please charge the card listed above for all Fees and Tuition in one lump sum on October 7th, 2019.

SIGNATURE of the person on card _____

Parent/Legal Guardian of _____ (Print name of team member)

PRINT Name of Parent/Legal Guardian _____

SIGNATURE of Parent/Legal Guardian _____

Effective August 1, 2019

***You may still pay monthly with cash or check; however a credit or bank check card is still required to be on file and will be charged accordingly for any payments not made by the due date.**

PARENT/ATHLETE PROGRAM POLICIES

Please carefully review the policies below, they are strictly enforced.

GENERAL

- ★ If you need assistance, answers to anything, or to set up a meeting, please contact us via email at dance@keywestsportsacademy.com Do not make assumptions about anything. Always ask.
- ★ We are committed to you and we will provide the best possible customer service to our KWSA clients. We expect the same commitment and courtesy in return.
- ★ Attitude is everything. If an athlete has a bad attitude, we will place him/her to a non-competitive program, such as a class, until improvements are made. Until then, a replacement will be put in position.
- ★ Anyone threatening to quit will be asked to leave immediately. No refund will be given.
- ★ Do not gossip about anyone or anything. If you have a ? ASK, rather than engage in irresponsible conduct.
- ★ It is the parents responsibility to stay informed. Check your email and the website regularly. If you aren't receiving emails, contact the gym director ASAP. You may receive information via handouts distributed at practice, attend all practices to ensure you do not miss any information, contact your coach immediately if you do miss a practice.
- ★ Do not post negative comments, routines, or music on Youtube, message boards, or any website.
- ★ Always example good sportsmanship, positive conduct and professionalism at all competitions and practices.
- ★ You cannot create or sell your own KWSA merchandise. All ideas for apparel must be emailed and approved by the management.
- ★ Your opinion regarding practice and routine construction does not count. The staff makes all of the decisions.
- ★ Do not call or text staff unless it is an emergency, send an email. Thank you for respecting this rule.
- ★ Feel free to talk to your coach about anything. We want to make sure the line of communication is open.
- ★ However, there is an appropriate time. Email or call the gym to make an appointment.
- ★ If you have questions use the chain of command: Team Rep > Front Desk> Head Coach> Owner

PRACTICE

- ★ **KWSA reserves the right to close practices if the viewing area becomes negative/distracting.**
- ★ **Practice schedules can change. We will add practices before competitions.**
- ★ **Withholding your child from practice cannot be used as a form of discipline. It is unfair to the rest of the team.**
- ★ All cellphones must be turned off once practice starts.
- ★ All clothing and belongings must be stored in cubbies, not thrown on the floor.
- ★ Do not bring items of value to the gym. KWSA is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- ★ Siblings of athletes cannot come inside the gym and watch practice unattended. They must be supervised.
- ★ No one is allowed to yell onto the floor or make contact with athletes on the floor.
- ★ **A dress code is strictly enforced all season. Please dress accordingly. Shoes must be worn at practice. A 100 push-ups fine will be issued if you come to practice without shoes/ appropriate practice uniform.**
- ★ If you are late or dressed inappropriately you will condition after practice.
- ★ **An unexcused absence will result in a $25 fine. Athletes are allowed one unexcused absence, subsequent absences will result in the athletes removal from the team without refund.**
- ★ Absence excuses must be emailed to dance@keywestsportsacademy.com a minimum of 2 WEEKS ahead of the planned absence.
- ★ **Athletes who exceed three excused absences during a semester may be subject to removal from the team with no refunds. (Semester 1 Oct 17- Dec 17, Semester 2 Jan 9- April 30)**
- ★ Punctuality is a MUST. Arrive 15 mins early to all practices, competitions and functions.
- ★ Practice schedules can change, we will add practices before a competition as needed.
- ★ No food or drinks other than bottled water are allowed during or before practice.
- ★ Remove all piercing, this is a non-negotiable safety issue.
- ★ No profanity or rude language.

PARENT POLICIES

Please carefully review the policies below, they are strictly enforced.

COMMUNICATION

As a parent, you will receive information in several ways, such as, emails from your coach or Team Rep and handouts sent home with athletes. Check www.KeyWestSportsAcademy.com for new updates as well.

FEES

- ★ A schedule of payments is listed in this handbook. All monthly session fees are due the first class of the session. Please make all payments at the front desk. Please keep all copies of your receipt in the event of a question or discrepancies. Please make all checks payable to Key West Sports Academy.
- ★ **A late fee of $25 will be assessed for all tuition payments made after seven days past the due date.** You may pay by cash, check, credit card or money order. Parents and responsible adults will be asked to sign a financial contract. Each person signing the contract will be responsible for keeping her/his child's account current, you may request statements and invoices. Statements and invoices WILL NOT be sent out unless requested.
- ★ Monthly tuition will not be prorated for any reason other than when specifically designated by KWSA.
- ★ **All fees and payments are non-refundable.**
- ★ By the second week of each session your account must be up to date. Otherwise, athlete will be moved to an alternate position.

FUNDRAISING

- ★ **Each team member is required to sell $300 worth of advertising for Team Fundraising to benefit the team.** Team members may sell additional advertisements to directly benefit their personal accounts.
- ★ There may be additional fundraising opportunities. Parents are invited to brainstorm fundraising ideas and plan fundraising activities!

PRACTICES

- ★ There is a viewing area designated for all parents/friends/siblings. Parents/friends/siblings are asked to stay in that designated area and not to come into the training area, even in the event of an injury!
- ★ We want your child to get the most out of every practice. In order for this to happen, we need their full attention. If there are distractions the whole team is affected and it can become a safety issue.
- ★ The only people allowed on the gym floor are staff members and athletes that are registered current students during their specified class time.
- ★ In the event that an injury does occur please stay off the floor. All of our staff is safety and injury certified and will handle the situation appropriately, there is equipment in the gym that if approached the wrong way can cause further injury.
- ★ No one is allowed to yell onto the floor or make contact with athletes on the floor.
- ★ Withholding your child from practice cannot be used as a form of discipline. This is unfair to the rest of the team.
- ★ If a parent is observed speaking negatively about a team/coach/parent/cheerleader he/she will be asked to leave. If this kind of behavior continues to be an issue the child will have to be removed from the team. We will not tolerate this kind of conduct.

TRANSPORTATION

All transportation/ accommodations to competitions/practices are solely the responsibility of each family. We make every effort to provide information in a timely manner. If a competition is cancelled or rescheduled, Key West Sports Academy will not be responsible for reimbursement for any reason.

PARENTAL SUPPORT

- ★ Your dedication and support is just as important to us as it is to your child!
- ★ We encourage all parents to sit together and support all KWSA teams. Parents are encouraged to show support by wearing KWSA clothing and colors to competition.
- ★ Showing respect for the coaching staff, other teams and hosting organizations is expected as you are there representing KWSA and your child. Please act with discretion as you represent the whole KWSA team.
- ★ You may not agree with coaching decisions or techniques, that is your right but please understand that we spend numerous hours learning to coach and your opinion is just that, an opinion. Please do not contact the staff regarding your opinions, it can cause hurt feelings.

TEAM/ATHLETE POLICIES

Please carefully review the policies below, they are strictly enforced.

ABSENCES

Attendance is crucial to team success, our attendance policy is STRICTLY ENFORCED. Withholding your child from practice cannot be used as a form of discipline. This is unfair to the rest of the team.

- ★ **No absences are allowed two weeks prior to any competition,** absences which occur within the two weeks prior to any competition will be grounds for removal from the routine/ dismissal from the team.
- ★ **An unexcused absence will result in a $25 fine**. YOUR FINE MUST BE PAID BEFORE YOU RETURN TO PRACTICE. Athletes are allowed ONE unexcused fined absence during the year, subsequent absences will result in the athletes removal from the team without refund.
- ★ **Athletes who exceed three excused absences during a semester may be subject to removal from the team with no refunds.**
- ★ All absence excuses must be emailed to dance@keywestsportsacademy.com a minimum of 2 WEEKS ahead of the planned absence. Only those reasons listed under excused absences will be excused, other reasons will be fined!

EXCUSED ABSENCES:

- ★ Contagious illness- with a doctors note.
- ★ School function that affects grade- requires teachers note.
- ★ Family emergencies- proof of emergency required.
- ★ Vacation during summer - Maximum of four missed practices. (June-August)

UNEXCUSED ABSENCES

- ★ School dance
- ★ Traffic
- ★ Too much homework
- ★ Feeling tired
- ★ Don't have a ride
- ★ Practice/ Game for another sport
- ★ Sunburn

TARDIES

DO NOT be late, please! **Please arrive 15 minutes early for your scheduled practice time**.

VACATIONS

Vacations are not permitted during the competition season, unless the gym is closed and the athlete has already cleared it with their coaches. Please see your coaches with any vacation plans. Also, any summer vacations must be in writing 2 weeks prior to the missed practice(s).

INJURIES

If an injury should occur, it is the responsibility of the parent to seek professional medical help. Each athlete must have her/ his own medical insurance. **After seeing a physician, please provide KWSA with a doctors evaluation of the athletes injury and status.** A release from a doctor is required is a serious injury occurred before the athlete can resume participation. A release is also required to excuse the athlete from practicing certain skills, injury is not a reason to miss practice! Serious injuries may occur, if an athlete wishes to stay on the team they must attend practice to watch as soon as they are able. There are no refunds for injury or illness, you are expected to support the team for the season.

TRAVEL/ COMPETITIONS

During the competition season, cheerleaders will be asked to travel. Transportation to competitions is the responsibility of each team member and his/her family. All team members will wear warm-ups or KWSA clothing to each function over the competition uniform. All team members will stay together with coaches.

UNIFORMS AND ATTIRE

Please keep all KWSA clothing, warm-ups and uniforms in good condition, when you are wearing KWSA attire you are representing the entire gym! Please report any lost or damaged uniform items to your coach. The cost of replacement will be the responsibility of the cheerleader's family. Please wear ASSIGNED gear to practice. NO jewelry should be worn to practice. KWSA is not responsible for lost or stolen jewelry or valuables.

TEAM PLACEMENT

All athletes are placed on a team at the discretion of the coaches. Age, experience and ability all factor into placement. Please understand that athletes may be repositioned, moved or replaced at any time at the discretion of the coaches. Any changes are made to benefit the team as a whole.

DISCIPLINE

If any of the KWSA rules are compromised, the following actions will occur:

- ★ 1st Violation: a meeting with the athlete defining the problem.
- ★ 2nd Violation: a meeting with the athlete and the parent(s).
- ★ 3rd Violation: the athlete may be removed or made an alternate.