

Epic Dance Studios 2018-19 Financial Aid Application Process

Application forms for the coming school year will be available on this page in July 2018. Feel free to email info@epicdancestudios.com with any questions.

Remember to indicate if your child is enrolling in weekly classes or a youth performance company (Apprentice, Junior, Senior).

Please note: students approved for financial aid during the school year do not need to submit an extension form to enroll in summer camps and classes.

Epic Dance Studios provides thousands of dollars of financial aid to our dedicated students each month. We work to create a community for our students in which everyone is a productive component of the program. Rather than provide Financial Aid, we prefer to offer Work Trade opportunities, in which students and parents exchange work for classes. Students must be a minimum of 14 years old and a recipient of Free or Reduced Lunch Program to qualify. For students younger than 14, parents would be responsible for working at the studio and/or helping with fundraisers and events at and for Epic Dance Studios in the work exchange program to pay off their child's classes.

Deadlines:

The deadline for all 2018-19 School Year Programs is August 30, 2018 .

We will **start** accepting 2018-19 School Year applications on **July 10, 2018**.

* We accept applications by email only. If emailing your application is not possible, please reach out so that we can find a good solution.

Epic Dance Studios' "Promise Scholarship"

This merit-based award covers 50% of tuition costs for youth students in Epic Dance Studios. The purpose of the award is to encourage and applaud participation in dance training **among hard-working individuals, who are traditionally under-represented in the art of dance** — including boys, financially challenged students, and youth with disabilities. *The recipients will be selected annually by Epic Instructors.*

Epic Dance Studios' DANCER OF THE YEAR"

Tremaine "Dancer of the Year"- This merit-based scholarship covers 100% of the tuition costs for a dancer to attend the Tremaine Dance Workshop in Chicago. The purpose of this scholarship is to applaud the outstanding performance of an Epic Studio Dancer in and out of the classroom. The recipient will be selected by Epic Dance Studio Instructor.

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Student Applicant Information

Student Name: _____ Age: _____

2nd Child Name _____ Age _____

1st Child Enrolling in a weekly class _____ 2nd Child Enrolling in weekly class _____

OR

My child is enrolling as a company member: Apprentice _____ Junior _____ Senior _____

1. _____ This student is in Foster Care.

Foster Care Parent _____

Email _____ Phone _____

2. _____ Primary caregiver is Grandparent or other Name _____

Email _____ Phone _____

3. Parent A _____

Email _____ Phone _____

4. Parent A _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Parent B _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Who is the Student's custodial parent(s)? _____

__ Parent/Guardian A __ Parent/Guardian B __ Both ____ Other

Who is able to contribute to the Student's tuition?

__ Parent/Guardian A __ Parent/Guardian B __ Both ____ Unknown

__ Other (Grandparent, etc) List _____

1. Class Information:

In what class(es) would your child like to enroll? _____

Has the student been accepted into one of the Epic Dance Companies?

YES, accepted into _____ (company name) _____ NO

2. Financial Information:

Does your child qualify for the Reduced Lunch Program at school? _____






Does your child qualify for the Free Lunch Program at school? _____

If you answered "Yes" to either of these two questions, please attach a copy of your letter of qualification for either program with this form.

If you answered "No" or "Not Applicable" to both of these questions, are there extenuating circumstances that we should consider when determining your award? Examples include a relative in need of special care, an uninsured natural disaster or medical event, and significant student debt.

3. Additional Information

A. Please select an option below for work study option. High school students may use these hours as community volunteer hours as we are a 501(c) 3:

-  **Cleaning Crew**- Help keep our Studio clean. Cleaning includes Bathrooms, kitchens, studio floors, mop floors, vacuum, and Lobby
-  **Social Media Crew** - Help promote Epic Studios on Facebook and Instagram. Take pictures and videos and promote our programs, help us network with other programs to create a larger audience
-  **Teaching Assistant** – Senior Dance Company members may assist Epic Teachers in younger classes. This will also teach you important teaching skills which may be used later in our Outreach Programs.
-  **Outreach Teaching** – Senior Dance Company Members may teach hip hop classes for our outreach programs at various locations including the Boys and Girls Club and/or at Pierre Moran. This opportunity is available to High School Senior Dance Co members only.
-  **Fundraising and Event Crew** – Help Organize Fundraisers & volunteer for Epic Events.

B. Please write or [attach](#) a short paragraph written by the student (or parent/guardian for young children) about why dance is important and exciting

to them and why they would like to study (or continue studying) at Epic Dance Studios.

Please email a complete application to info@epicdancestudios.com. Please do **not** bring applications to the studios. We cannot accept them there without advanced notice.

If you have questions about or would like some assistance with the application, please feel free to get in touch with us! We are glad to help. info@epicdancestudios.com

- Full and partial assistance may be awarded and decisions are based on financial need and availability of funding.
- Applicants must reapply each school year.
- All financial and personal documents are considered private and confidential.
- Epic Dance Studios may quote and publish from the student's essay and will eliminate the students identifying information. If you do not wish to allow this please indicate below.

_____ I do *not* wish to allow publication of my child's essay.

- Good attendance will be expected from students receiving financial aid.
- All students and parents of our Companies are expected to volunteer for fundraisers and to help make Tremaine a possibility for our groups.
- If partial assistance is awarded, the parent or guardian will pay monthly
- Should financial aid be declined, applicants are still eligible for payment plans.
- *Note:* Please submit **all** required documents. A completed application also does not guarantee that financial aid will be provided.

I have reviewed and understand these policies.

_____ Signature Date