



EDEN DANCE  
COLLECTIVE

*1 Corinthians 3:1-9*

## Eden Dance Collective Welcome Packet

Eden Dance Collective is a faith-based creative arts ministry based near Phoenix, Arizona, for students to worship God through movement. As Christ's image-bearers, we are intentionally designed to cultivate our gifts so that He might be glorified through us. Dance allows us to commune with God and worship Him with our whole being – body, mind, and spirit. From our first breath in the Garden of Eden, we have been created to create.

Eden Dance Collective exists to cultivate a **delight** and passion for worship in a united community that is mutually encouraging and inviting. Our heart is for every student to develop a deep *knowing* of their identity in Christ through scripture, prayer, and movement, while experiencing true joy in a creative environment. We pursue excellence in our dance training, technique, and performances so that Christ might be glorified through each student.

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Dance Families,

It is my privilege and honor to teach your children. I am deeply honored to be a part of your child's artistic and spiritual journey as they grow in their love for dance and for the Lord. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your child's life and for sharing your time and resources with me! I am so thankful for each one of you and I look forward to all that this year holds with Eden Dance Collective.

With Love,  
Taylor Simpson

## Our Classes

1. **Ballet Level 1:** This class is designed for young dancers **ages 4–7** who are beginning their journey in ballet. Through imaginative movement, music, and foundational ballet technique, dancers will build coordination, confidence, and creativity in a joyful and nurturing environment.

Students will learn basic ballet positions, proper posture, and simple steps like pliés, tendus, and chassés. Emphasis is placed on developing musicality, spatial awareness, and classroom etiquette, such as listening, taking turns, and showing kindness to others.

Each class includes a warm up, center work, across-the-floor activities, and simple combinations. Seasonal themes and creative exercises are often woven into our lessons to spark imagination and keep learning fun!

2. **Ballet Level 2:** This class is designed for dancers **ages 8+** who are ready to deepen their understanding of ballet technique and artistry. This class continues to build on the foundational skills learned in Level 1, with increased focus on precision, strength, and musical expression.

Students will refine their knowledge of basic positions and vocabulary while learning new steps such as échappés, pas de bourrées, balances, and simple turns. Attention will be given to proper alignment, flexibility, and developing clean technique through warm ups, center combinations, and across-the-floor progressions. Class also includes elements of choreography and expressive movement to encourage artistry and confidence.

3. **Lyrical/Dance Worship Level 1:** This class is a beautiful introduction to expressive movement for our youngest dancers! Designed for **ages 4–7**, this class blends foundational ballet and beginning contemporary/modern techniques with gentle storytelling and worship through dance. Dancers will explore how to move with feeling, grace, and musicality.

Each class includes a warm up to build strength, flexibility, and coordination; and technique from ballet to modern dance. We also implement creative movement exercises that encourage imagination and expressive freedom Christ-centered reflection and encouragement. This class is perfect for little ones who love to twirl, express themselves through movement, and worship through dance. No prior experience is needed—just a joyful heart and a willingness to learn!

Students will learn foundational steps such as:

- Chassés, pliés, tendus, and sautés
- Body sways, circles, and expressive arm pathways
- Introductory floorwork (e.g., kneeling transitions, seated spirals, gentle rolls)
- Simple modern elements like parallel positions, weight shifts, and suspended movement
- Basic improvisation to encourage creativity and emotional connection

4. **Lyrical/Dance Worship Level 2:** This is a graceful and expressive class designed for students **ages 8–11** who are ready to deepen their technical ability and artistic expression. Blending ballet, jazz, and contemporary/modern movement, this class focuses on lyrical dance's core elements: fluidity, emotion, and storytelling.

Each class includes a dynamic warm-up to build flexibility, strength, and control; technique drills and across-the-floor progressions; and scripture-based reflections to encourage spiritual and creative growth. This class is ideal for dancers with some experience who are ready to explore expressive, Christ-centered movement in a supportive environment.

Dancers will grow in their skills through:

- Traveling steps: chassés, piqué walks, glissades, and leaps
- Turns: chaînés, soutenus, and introductory lyrical pirouettes
- Lyrical and modern movement vocabulary:
  - Contractions and releases + flat backs and lateral stretches
  - Suspension, fall and recovery
  - Floorwork sequences (e.g., spirals, lunges, grounded transitions)
  - Use of parallel and turned-in positions

5. **Private Lessons**

- One-on-one coaching for deeper technique/artistry. Can be done in-home, in-studio, or at a church facility. Contact Taylor to schedule and customize.
  - Private lessons are perfect for dancers who are wanting to develop their individual skills and artistry at a deeper level. Lessons are tailored to the dancer's needs, and we can work on very specific things to help them grow in technique, strength, flexibility, artistry and so on.
  - Dancers who decide to enroll in private lessons are given the opportunity to perform a solo at our end of semester recital. *(This is not a requirement)*
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## Dress Code & What to Bring

- Ballet (girls): leotard, tights, canvas ballet shoes, ballet skirt (optional), hair in ballet bun or up/out of face.
  - Lyrical/dance worship (girls): Leggings, comfortable shirt, socks (optional), hair up/out of face.
  - Boys: t-shirt, athletic shorts/pants, white or cotton socks.
  - Be sure to bring a water bottle!
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## Important Dates

Mark your calendars with these key dates for the upcoming season:

- August 11th – First Day of Classes
- September 1st – *Labor Day Holiday* (No Classes)
- October 8th–14th – *Fall Break* (No Classes)
- November 24th–28th – *Thanksgiving Break* (No Classes)
- December 6th – *Tentative Recital Date*
- December 12th – Last Day of Classes

We'll keep families updated on recital confirmation and any last-minute schedule changes.

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## Contact & Connect

- Email: [edendancecollective@gmail.com](mailto:edendancecollective@gmail.com) (primary method for announcements, schedule updates, class info, questions, and reminders)
  - Phone: (951) 553-8823 (Directly text or call Taylor Simpson)
  - Website: [edendancecollective.com](http://edendancecollective.com)
  - Social Media: Follow us on Instagram and Facebook for updates and highlights!
  - Check-ins: I'm happy to chat before or after class for quick questions or concerns—just reach out!
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## Tuition and Pricing

Eden Dance Collective aims to keep dance accessible while providing high-quality instruction in a Christ-centered environment. Eden Dance Collective is ESA Approved. If you use ESA funds, please contact us through our website to receive an invoice to be submitted to ClassWallet.

- 1 Free Drop-In Class – For new students to try a class before enrolling
- \$22 per Drop-In Class – For occasional attendance
- \$20 per Class – For students registered *monthly* or for the full *semester*
- \$25 Recital Fee – One-time fee to participate in our end-of-season recital
- Costume Fee – Varies by class; details will be shared early in the semester

Semester, monthly, or drop-in tuition must be paid/submitted no later than 5 days after registration. Additional fees are due by December 1st.

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**\*\*For non-ESA families**, payment can be submitted directly through our website, or we can easily send you a regular invoice! We highly recommend contacting us through our email to register.

If you choose to book directly, you will be taken to our *Setmore* site. This will allow you to book drop-in classes, register for the month, or the semester. Ignore the time stamps for semester and monthly registration, that doesn't apply to class times. Again, registration via email will be easiest.

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## Attendance Policy

At Eden Dance Collective, we believe that consistent class attendance is essential for each dancer's growth—in technique, artistry, and spiritual formation. Regular participation also ensures students are prepared and confident for group choreography and recital performances.

## Payment & Credit Policy

- **Semester Payments:** Families who pay for the full semester up front will not receive reimbursement or credit for missed classes.
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## Reporting Absences

*\*\*To receive credit for a missed class (drop-in or monthly payments only), parents **must notify Taylor in advance** by email or text. This helps us plan effectively and honor your commitment.*

## Recital Eligibility

Recital performances are a special opportunity for dancers to share what they've learned in community and worship. In order to participate:

- Students must attend **most scheduled classes** during the semester.
- Excessive absences may impact a dancer's readiness to perform.
- We reserve the right to decide if a student is **not adequately prepared** for recital participation based on attendance and rehearsal progress.

We are committed to encouraging every dancer to succeed, and we'll work with families when special circumstances arise. Thank you for honoring this policy and helping your dancer flourish with consistency and joy!

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# Weekly Schedule

Our weekly class offerings for the current season are listed below. Please note the location and level for each class:

## **Mondays – Heritage Church (Scottsdale)**

- 2:00–3:00 PM – Lyrical 2 (ages 8+)
- 3:00–4:00 PM – Ballet 1 (ages 4-7)
- 4:00–5:00 PM – Ballet 2 (ages 8+)

## **Wednesdays – Vida Church (Mesa)**

- 9:00–10:00 AM – Ballet 2 (ages 8+)
- 10:00–11:00 AM – Lyrical 1 (ages 4-7)

## **Thursdays – Vida Church (Mesa)**

- 10:00–11:00 AM – Lyrical 2 (ages 8+)

## **We also offer Private Lessons!**

- In-home (1 hr): \$50 | Church space (1 hr): \$60 | In-studio (1 hr): \$70

If you're unsure which class is right for your dancer, we're happy to help you find the best fit based on age, experience, and goals!

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## **Class Locations**

### **East Valley – Vida Church**

*319 N. 64th St., Mesa, AZ 85205*

Class is held in the kids' room, located to the right of the playground.

### **Scottsdale – Heritage Church**

*4848 E. Cactus Rd., #700, Scottsdale, AZ 85254*

Class is held on the north side of the church building.

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## Expectations for Students

- Come to class with a positive attitude
- Encourage your classmates—we lift others up!
- Work hard and try your best, even when something feels challenging
- Most importantly: have fun and enjoy worshiping through movement!

## Expectations for Parents

- Parents are welcome to sit in and watch during class
- We kindly ask that you refrain from correcting or instructing your dancer during class—let the teacher lead
- If there is an extreme behavior issue, you may step in to support
- Parents may assist with bathroom or water breaks as needed

We thank you for partnering with us to create a positive, worshipful atmosphere in every class!

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## Next Steps

We're excited you're joining the Eden family! To finalize your registration:

1. Email us, or complete the online registration or interest/private lesson form.
  2. Send your ESA invoice request, if applicable.
  3. Choose your classes and submit payment or invoice.
  4. Get excited to grow in dance, faith, and community!
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