

# YOUTH DANCE

## SPRING CALENDAR

### Spring Session Classes Begin

February 13, 2021 (Saturday)

### No Classes – Breathing Day

March 9, 2021 (Tuesday)

### No Classes – Easter Break

April 2-5, 2021

### No Classes – Breathing Day

April 28, 2021 (Wednesday)

### Virtual Spring Showcase

May 21, 2021



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MUHLENBERG COMMUNITY  
DANCE CENTER

## SPRING 2021

### Virtual Classes

## COURSE SCHEDULE

This semester, MCDC will be online! All courses will be held via Zoom – as will our spring Performance Showcase. Course tuition is reduced accordingly for this semester. Our talented dance teachers look forward to giving your children the individualized attention they need to succeed in dance class this spring, from the safety of your own home.

### Teen Technique & Performance

Ballet ..... Mon.... 5:00–7:00 PM

Modern ..... Thur.... 5:00–7:00 PM

For ages 12 and up. MCDC teen dancers will focus on building technical skills in Ballet and Modern/Jazz technique, and performance skills through creating and learning repertory. The class includes three performance opportunities over the course of the year. See complete description on back.

### Creative Movement

(ages 3+) ..... Sat ..... 10:00-10:50 AM

### Ballet

I (ages 7+) ..... Thur.... 5:00–6:00 PM

II/III ..... Tue.... 5:00–6:15 PM

### Jazz & Tap I (combined class)

(ages 7+) ..... Sat ..... 10:00–11:00 AM

### Jazz

II ..... Sat ..... 10:00–11:00 AM

Teen ..... Tue.... 6:30–7:45 PM

### Tap

II ..... Wed ... 5:00–6:00 PM

Teen ..... Wed ... 6:00–7:15 PM

### Modern

II ..... Mon.... 5:00–6:00 PM

Classes subject to cancellation, based on enrollment.

## MUHLENBERG COMMUNITY DANCE CENTER FOR YOUNG DANCERS

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Muhlenberg Community Dance Center (MCDC) Program for Young Dancers offers a **safe and supportive** environment in which students can explore their creative and physical potential under the guidance of an enthusiastic and knowledgeable teaching staff. Taught in the state-of-the-art dance studios of Muhlenberg College, the curriculum gives students **flexibility to design their own course of study**, exploring a wide range of dance styles according to their interests. The faculty focuses on providing **developmentally age-appropriate** dance education for all levels, carrying a child from the earliest creative movement experience through pre-professional work. Emphasis is placed on **educating the whole child**, providing not only physical training and dance technique, but also a **cross-curricular approach to creative expression**, with a focus on **developing self-confidence** and a lifelong appreciation for the creative arts.

**Classes are taught** by professional dance instructors and qualified Muhlenberg College dance majors who are pursuing dance education.

The Muhlenberg College Department of Theatre and Dance offers the Lehigh Valley community a complete schedule of high quality, non-credit dance and movement education courses for people of all ages through four programs. Classes are offered in Muhlenberg's state-of-the-art dance studios or the Pilates Center and Dance Clinic in the Life Sports Center.

- Program for Young Dancers
- Program for Adult Dancers (subject to availability)
  - The Pilates Center
  - Tap Dance with Crystal Bartolacci
  - Ballet & Modern with Lisa Bottitta-Busfield
  - Barre Above with Pattie Bostick-Winn

[muhlenberg.edu/mcdc](http://muhlenberg.edu/mcdc)

### Homeschool cohorts and parenting groups:

Contact us about partnerships! We can add dedicated sessions around your schedule.

Email [mc dc@muhlenberg.edu](mailto:mc dc@muhlenberg.edu) to talk about your needs.

## TEEN TECHNIQUE & PERFORMANCE

**Teen Technique and Performance** is geared toward teen dance students ages 12+ or by invitation. TT&P will meet twice per week. In order for students to experience beneficial improvements in their **strength, flexibility, technique and artistry**, we recommend that students enroll in both days.

This class for dedicated MCDC teen dancers will focus on **building technical skills** in Ballet and Modern/Jazz technique, and performance skills through creating and learning repertory.

Along with mastery of technique through anatomically sound training, students will also be **challenged to become “thinking-artists.”** Students will collaborate on creating group and solo projects, as well as learn and perform repertory taught by faculty and Muhlenberg College choreographers.

### **Mondays & Thursdays 5:00–7:00 PM**

Ballet on Mondays, Modern on Thursdays

Technique & Performance Students who wish to take their studies even further are encouraged to enroll in the following:

Ballet II/III, Tue 5–6:15 PM

Teen Tap, Wed 6–7:15 PM

Teen Jazz, Tue 6:30–7:45 PM

\$238 course fee includes includes both Monday and Thursday sessions. Any additional courses are \$65 each for the semester.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### **How do I log in?**

All classes will take place over Zoom. We will email you a login URL for your classes, along with instructions for downloading and setting up Zoom software and for setting up your equipment and class space.

### **Are classes secure?**

All classes will be password-protected and monitored, to ensure that they won't be hacked or zoombombed. So that your teachers can get to know your children, we encourage you to set your Zoom name to your child's first name.

### **What should I wear?**

**Creative Movement:** comfortable clothing (shorts or pants, please) that does not inhibit them from moving freely and safely; bare feet are required. No tights or shoes, as shoes inhibit grounding the body and articulating the feet, which aids in balance and coordination for young children.

**Ballet attire:** any solid-color leotard or fitted T-shirt, tights, and ballet slippers.

**Jazz, tap, and modern attire:** any color leotard or fitted T-shirt with jazz pants/leggings and appropriate footwear — black jazz or tap shoes, bare feet.

If you have dancewear questions, please email [mcdc@muhlenberg.edu](mailto:mcdc@muhlenberg.edu)

### **Can I drop in and take a class?**

Yes! Please contact [mcdc@muhlenberg.edu](mailto:mcdc@muhlenberg.edu) for information about drop-ins.

### **What classes should I take?**

If you have any questions about placement or registration, email [mcdc@muhlenberg.edu](mailto:mcdc@muhlenberg.edu).

## TUITION & REGISTRATION

### Special prices for Spring 2020 Remote/Virtual Sessions

# of Weekly Classes	Spring Tuition
1 class a week	\$91
2 classes a week	\$173
3 classes a week	\$238
Teen Technique (both classes)	\$238

For students enrolled in Teen Technique or in more than 3 classes per week, additional classes are \$65 per class for the semester. E.g., Teen Technique and Ballet II/III would be \$303.

### **To register, visit [bit.ly/mcdc-spring21](https://bit.ly/mcdc-spring21)**

Payment will not be collected through the registration form. Full payment should be submitted prior to the start of classes. You may mail a check, or we will contact you for credit card payment over the phone. (Monthly installment plans are available; email for details.)

Once classes begin, refunds are available only with a medical excuse.

### **For teacher profiles and additional information, visit our website:**

[muhlenberg.edu/mcdc](https://muhlenberg.edu/mcdc)