

# DRESS CODE

All dance wear can be purchased at ELLSWEAR, #7-616 Hillside Ave, 250-721-5356, [www.ellswear.com](http://www.ellswear.com)

**BALLET:** ALL LEVELS: hair secured in a bun with hairpins and hairnet or bun warmer; short hair to be worn with a headband (black, or to match leotard colour) secured at the sides with bobby pins  
Ballet shoes **must** be purchased at the dance store to ensure proper fit; if in doubt, bring shoes to your teacher for approval before wearing.

## **Barely Ballet, Pre-Primary, and Primary:**

- light pink short-sleeved leotard (style: So Danca or EW), light pink sheer mock-wrap skirt - mid-thigh length (Ellswear style "EW Mock-Wrap Skirt"), pale pink ballet socks
- pink leather full-sole ballet shoes

## **Primary/Grade 1:**

- light blue tank-style leotard (style: Mondor 1645, So Danca, or EW), light blue sheer mock-wrap skirt - mid-thigh length (Ellswear style "EW Mock-Wrap Skirt"), pale pink ballet socks or ballet pink tights
- pink leather full-sole ballet shoes

## **Grade 1 and 2:**

- light blue tank-style leotard (style: Mondor 1645, So Danca, or EW), matching waist elastic, ballet pink tights
- pink leather full-sole ballet shoes and low-heeled Character shoes or suitable alternative, ie party shoes or jazz shoes
- Character skirt (black with ribbons) or suitable alternative (\*note: these are specially ordered - please see your teacher)

## **Grade 3, 4, 5 and 6:**

- navy blue tank-style pinch-front leotard (style: So Danca or EW), matching waist elastic, ballet pink tights
- pink leather full-sole ballet shoes and Character shoes with Cuban heel (Gr. 3 may wear low-heeled shoes) or suitable alternative, ie party shoes or jazz shoes
- Character skirt (black with ribbons) or suitable alternative (see note above)

NOTE: students who currently own a Capezio CC02 leotard (last year's dress code) should continue to wear that style until new dance wear is required, at which time the new style should be purchased

## **Intermediate Foundation:**

- black or navy blue spaghetti-strap or tank-style leotard (dancers at this level are strongly recommended to own a black tank-style or spaghetti-strap leotard, for costuming purposes), ballet pink tights
- short wrap skirt (preferably black or navy) may be worn for pointe work
- pink canvas split-sole (for dancers en pointe only) or leather full-sole ballet shoes

## **Advanced Open:**

- black tank-style or spaghetti-strap leotard (other colours may also be worn for class), ballet pink tights, short black wrap skirt (if desired)
- pink canvas split-sole or leather full-sole ballet shoes

**Adults:**

- leotard and tights, any colour or style
- pink ballet shoes in leather or canvas, split or full sole
- adults may wear variations on the basic dress code (wrap skirts, leggings, athletic tops) but all dancewear must be fitted and allow full range of movement

**MODERN:**

- light blue or navy blue leotard (as for ballet dress code), to be worn with bare legs, footless tights, or leggings, and black dance shorts (if desired)
- bare feet or Foot Undeez
- hair in a ponytail, or other appropriate style (off the face and neck)

**TAP:****Primary:**

- light blue tank-style leotard or pale pink short sleeved leotard (as for ballet dress code), white or black ankle socks
- black tap shoes, Mary-Jane style, in patent or matte leather - NO oxford-style lace-up tap shoes
- hair in a ponytail, or other appropriate style (off the face and neck)

**Grade 2:**

- light blue tank-style leotard (as for ballet dress code), fitted black dance shorts, white or black ankle socks
- black tap shoes, Mary-Jane style, in patent or matte leather - NO oxford-style lace-up tap shoes
- hair in a ponytail, or other appropriate style (off the face and neck)

**Teen:**

- fitted dance attire, any colour, in appropriate style
- black tap shoes, oxford-style lace-up preferred
- hair in a ponytail, or other appropriate style (off the face and neck)

**JAZZ FUNK:**

- fitted dance attire, any colour, in appropriate style
- white runners
- hair off face

**JAZZ:**

- fitted dance attire, any colour, in appropriate style
- jazz shoes required for level 1/2 and optional for other classes, but may be required for show costume
- hair must be secured in ponytail or bun

**NOTES:**

- 1) Any leotard/unitard, tights, dance top, or wrap skirt purchased as part of a costume may be worn for class wear as appropriate
- 2) Please ensure that underwear and bra backs & straps do not show
- 3) Dancers may wear ballet wrap sweaters or fitted long-sleeved tops at the beginning of class, but these must be removed when student is warm, and/or at the request of the teacher
- 4) All dancers age 10 and up are strongly recommended to own a skin-tone nude suit (with skin-tone straps - no clear straps please) for costuming purposes, which may also be worn for class if desired