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By signing my initials on every line I understand and agree to abide by the statements and/or the policies stated:

ATTENDANCE POLICIES

___ **I must maintain 80% attendance in all technique classes required to be a Company member as well as the Company Class year round.** Any missed technique classes resulting in less than the required attendance must be made-up and tracked with the make-up class work-sheet and the worksheet must be presented to my “base” class teacher in order to receive proper credit for the class/es made up. The base class teacher is the teacher who teaches the level you were placed in according to the placement packet viewed on the office window

- An attendance check report will be sent home if I am at less than my required attendance in any of my technique classes required for Company classes. If I am at risk in my technique classes, I am also at risk for losing eligibility in the Company unless a make-up plan is established in my technique classes.
- I understand any school related activity such as cheerleading, track, volleyball, etc...may not interfere with Company Class if it takes me below the 80 % attendance mark. Any school related activity such as cheerleading, track, volleyball, etc... is permissible in placement classes required for one season (6-8 weeks) out of the year as long as comparable classes are being done in conjunction with the school activity season. I must talk to my director/s prior to making a seasonal commitment and must have a plan in place for comparable classes.
- Each Company accepts new eligible members on the first day of summer classes and possibly in the fall (Please check the company details flyer for specifics). Companies’ commitments are year-round, except for Youth Co which is 8 months.

___ I understand, the **eight weeks prior to a performance, I may not miss any more than two classes. This includes Halloween, Nutcracker, Spring Concerts, and June Performances where applicable.** Any absence over two during these weeks may result in loss of performing privileges for the applicable performance.

___ I understand all Company students are encouraged to be present at day-out events (such as school day out, parades, etc...). These events look great on college applications for community service. If I am unable to participate in Company events I must let the director know right away as to why I will be unable to attend.

ILLNESS AND INJURY POLICIES

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- If an extended illness or injury takes me below the 80% attendance policy that I must present a doctor’s excuse/note from the Wellness Studio to the director and those classes must be made up when I am back in dancing condition.
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Ballet Company Members Only:

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I have read and agree to Dublin Dance Centre & Gymnastics' Company Program Policies. As long as I am a member I will uphold these policies in every applicable Company program/s I am involved with. I agree to contact my Company Director/s, Teacher/s, the Education Director or Wellness Studio Director as needed.

I understand failure to comply with any of the above statements will result in a written warning, secondly a parent conference and finally a dismissal from a Company performance and/or from the Company itself.

Student Name _____ Date _____

Applicable Company Programs _____

Parent Email Address: _____

Dancer email address (if applicable): _____

Student Signature _____ Parent Signature _____