

## **Tips For Your Little Dancer's Success**

- ★ It is important that your little dancer comes to class rested and fed, this way your child will be in good spirits and ready for fun!
- ★ Use the potty at the dance studio before class. Don't ask your child if he or she needs to go...just take them. This will help stop the potty parade during class time.
- ★ Make sure you are on time to class. Many children are uncomfortable entering a class that is already underway.
- ★ If your little dancer is crying do not bring her into the dance room. Let her watch from the window or the monitor and let her choose to go in on her own. If you start the bad habit of staying the dance room it will take longer for her to gain her independence.
- ★ We welcome transitional objects (such as a favorite stuffed animal) in class if needed. We can integrate them into the class lesson plan and the child can use it for comfort while you are not in the same room.

Keep in mind that children have their own pace at which they become ready for a classroom environment. Our trained teachers will let you know if your child should wait to start class, based on his or her natural participation in class. This is very common and we have found great success in starting a child at the RIGHT time. The students who are not quite ready for class come back in a couple of months with a successful dance experience. At such a young age, every month makes such a big difference. So please don't take it the wrong way if we tell you your child may not be ready. Our school truly wants what is best for your child's dance experience.

After all... timing is everything!!

