

MDCD Class Levels

MDCD is a drop-in studio, and uses the guide below to determine initial placement of students. Placement is determined by experience, age and/or ability, dance vocabulary and maturity. All students with less than 1 year experience are **required** to start at the beginning class level.

Pee Wee

Pee Wee (Average Age 4-5) – These beginner dance classes help young, energetic dancers explore MDCD's commercial dance styles, while introducing to basic choreography retention, technique and foundations, basic dance vocabulary, studio etiquette and MDCD expectations.

Mini

Beg. (Average Age 6-7) – These beginner dance classes are for students with **limited prior dance experience**, and introduce dance vocabulary, technique, studio etiquette, choreography retention and MDCD expectations.

Int. (Average Age 7-8) – These intermediate dance classes are for students with **prior dance experience**, and help build on dance vocabulary, technique, studio etiquette, choreography retention and MDCD expectations.

Junior

Beg. (Average Age 9-12) – These beginner junior dance classes are designed for students with **0-2 years dance experience**, and introduce dance vocabulary, technique, studio etiquette, choreography retention and MDCD expectations.

Int. (Average Age 9-11) – These classes are taught at an intermediate level, and focus on expanding dance vocabulary, technique, choreography retention, studio etiquette and MDCD expectations. **Prior dance experience is required, and students must have a basic understanding of dance vocabulary and have the right ability and/or maturity to participate in these classes.** If a dancer does not understand dance vocabulary, they will be asked to move down to beginning level until this is obtained.

Teen

Beg. (Average Age 13-17) – These beginner Teen dance classes are designed for students with **0-2 years of dance experience**. These classes introduce dance vocabulary, technique, studio etiquette, choreography retention and MDCD expectations.

Int/Adv. (Average Age 12-17) – These classes are taught at an advanced teen level, which will help push both intermediate and advanced level students. **Prior dance experience is required, and students must understand dance vocabulary and have the right ability and/or maturity to participate in these classes.** These classes are designed to reinforce vocabulary and focus on technique, quick choreography retention, studio etiquette and MDCD expectations. Students should lead by example, follow the dress code and studio policies, exemplify the MDCD culture, expectations, and show the maturity and dance ability to participate in these classes.

Senior

Adv. (Average Age 15-19) – These classes are taught at an advanced level, and designed to focus on technique and quick choreography retention. **Prior dance experience is required, and students must understand dance vocabulary and have the right ability and/or maturity to participate in these classes.** Students should lead by example, follow the dress code and studio policies, exemplify the MDCD culture and expectations, and show the maturity and dance ability to participate in these classes.

Adult

Beg/Int. (18+ years old) – These adult classes are for dancers looking to train recreationally, and who either have limited experience. These classes have new combinations each week and focus on basic choreography retention. Choreography is geared towards beginners, but have some intermediate options.

Adult (18+ years old) – These adult classes are for dancers looking to train pre-professionally or recreationally. These classes have new combinations each week and focus on choreography retention. Most adult dance classes are mixed level, and prior experience is recommended.