

ASSISTANT TEACHER TRAINING FOR AGES 12-18



PURE DANCE WORKS



program

Current Pure Dance Works students ages 12-18 may apply to be a part of the Impact Program. Impact members, affectionately referred to as "Impactors," are mentored by a lead teacher and help in our Sparkle and Beginner Level Classes. Impactors are expected to be reliable, of exemplary character, and teachable. Impactors stay in touch via an exclusive Impact communication tool used amongst Impactors and the Impact Director, Excellent attendance is a must, as is arranging for a sub when an absence is required. Impactors gain valuable leadership skills that are specific to the dance studio setting and also applicable in a wide variety of contexts.

progression

Acceptance into the Impact Program is based on age, experience, and an application completed by the student and a parent. Impactors are assigned to specific classrooms for a season. Helpers are 12-14; they help with classroom management, hair, shoes, etc. There is no fee to participate at the Helper level. Assistants are 12-18. Upon acceptance, Assistants complete a course of study to prepare them for teaching. They are given small portions of class to teach starting in their second in the Impact Program under the mentorship of the lead teacher. The training coursework is \$100. Student Teachers are 16-18 and have completed at least two years in the Impact Program and have applied to the Student Teacher Program. Upon acceptance, Student Teachers instruct their own classes.

parental involvement

We love to partner with parents in nurturing confident leadership. Your support is vital to your child's success. Support includes understanding and agreeing to the responsibilities your child will have as part of the Impact Program, providing transportation to and from classes, as well as financially covering the costs of the program which may include Assistant Teacher Coursework and/or additional costume expenses.

performance

Impactors may dance with their Sparkle class(es) on stage in May. Impactors will be assigned a specific role that helps to carry along the overall storyline of the show. A suitable costume that portrays this role will be worn. The additional costume fee is \$75 and will be assessed to participating Impactors' accounts on February 1. Impactors may also assist with early childhood classes backstage.