

# Salford Community Leisure in-house competition

## 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> July 2026

### Important Information:

- I understand that all dancers and children remain under the care of their parent/guardian throughout the event. SCL Dance staff will be present at the event but will not be responsible for the care of your child.
- By booking your child a place at the Dance Comp, you agree that your child is in good health and will inform the teacher if this changes. If your child has a disability, additional need, health condition, or allergy, please detail during registration and inform the teacher advising if we need to make any reasonable adjustments. SCL staff/ the organisers of the activities are not allowed and cannot be responsible for the administering of prescribed medication. If the participant requires first aid, a trained first aider will administer the required treatment.
- Dancers perform at their own risk, dancers competing take certain inherent risks when involved in physical activity, participation in competitions indicates acceptance of such risks by performers/parents/guardians.
- We are unable to refund any tickets under any circumstances.
- It is the parent/guardian's responsibility to ensure they have purchased the correct tickets for their child's competition.
- Hot drinks are not allowed in the Sports Hall. No heeled shoes to be worn in the Sports Hall.
- I understand that I may take photos/videos of my dancer whilst they are competing, however I understand that I must not place these images on social media if they have other dancers or spectators in the background.
- Wristbands will be given in class; these must be worn at the comp by all dancers and spectators.
- Please do not approach the judges or organisers unless advised to do so by one of the SCL team. In the first instance, if you have any concerns please speak to your teacher.
- Please remember that **'the medal is the bonus.'**

As teachers we always have a positive mindset with regards to our classes and competitions. Taking part in a competition can be fun and provide an abundance of positive experiences including skill development, friendship, confidence, and resilience. However, as with any art form, dance competitions are subjective, and your

dancer may not come home with a medal or award even if they have tried their best or danced to the best of their ability. We understand this can be disappointing; however, this is the nature of competitions, we will prepare your dancer for this within their lessons. A medal or an award is always an amazing achievement, but there are also amazing achievements and positive experiences to be found when you do not come away with a medal- we focus on these rather than the medal. We ask that parents reinforce this too- we will not tolerate inappropriate pressure or expectations for our dancers-our positive message that we give to our dancers is **'the medal is a bonus'** we expect parents to respect this too.

### **Format for the competition**

- There will be three opportunities for your child to compete: for junior dancers freestyle solo/for intermediate and senior dancers set solo, duo/trio, and team dance.
- Within their weekly classes, your dancer will be taught a solo set routine or practise a freestyle routine, duo/trio (with creative input from the dancers encouraged under the guidance of the teachers) and team dance.
- The teacher will inform you of your dancer's duet/trio partners. For this costume, the dancers will match in some form e.g. wearing the same-coloured t-shirt, hat accessory etc.
- When you arrive, your dancer will be given a number to safety pin to their clothes.
- They will then be asked to sit in a section within the hall determined by their class.
- The set solo and the duet sections will be split into age categories for example 8–9-year-olds, 10–11-year-olds.
- Please note the eldest dancer in the duet/trio determines which age category they dance within.
- Your dancer will be invited onto the dance floor to perform their set solo routine or freestyle if competing in the junior section at the same time as other dancers from their dance class and other SCL run dance classes.
- After they have danced, the dancers must listen for their number to see if they have been 'called back' to dance again in the next round. Depending on the numbers in the group, there may be a semi-final and a final round.
- The awards for each age group will then be announced.
- Once the dancers have received their results, you will be able to take your child to the changing room/toilets to change into the duet/trio costume.
- The format will repeat again for the duos.
- The final section is the team event where each group performs their routine for the judge.
- Please note, we will have an 'Advanced' section for dancers who have competed or previously competed and represented SCL at external competitions. Dancers who have not competed for SCL are welcome to participate in this section rather

than their own section. However, please note they cannot choose to compete in both the novice and advanced sections.

### **Costumes, Shoes, Hair, Makeup**

- Costume details will be given in class; I understand that my child must use the toilets if they are required to change costume.
- I understand that my child needs to wear a black t-shirt/black bottoms for their team dance.
- I understand that I will be asked to supply my dancers costume for their solo and duo.
- Your child will need to bring safety pins to fit their number onto their clothing.

### **Food and other items**

- There are vending machine and a café at Irlam and Cadishead Leisure centre.
- Please bring a drink for your child.
- Hot drinks are not allowed in the Sports Hall.
- No heeled shoes to be worn in the Sports Hall.
- All items of clothing, jewellery, mobile phones etc. remain the sole responsibility of the owner. SCL staff are under instruction not to be responsible for the safekeeping of any such items. SCL strongly advise that children do not bring such items to the activities.

### **Student/parent/carer code of conduct**

- Pupil's ability to perform at the event is at the sole discretion of SCLL. Your child must attend regular sessions to be able to take part.
- Pupils must wear appropriate dance attire and footwear as detailed in class. No crocs or sliders, trainers only.
- SCLL can prevent anyone from entering facilities if their appearance, conduct, or health is inappropriate, unsuitable or puts themselves or others at risk.
- SCLL reserves the right to change any element of the event for operational needs or unforeseen circumstances.

### **Contact**

- Any communication sent out will be sent to the latest email address that SCLL have on file for the payer and the payer is responsible for making sure all personal and contact details are up to date for both the pupil and themselves.

### **Complaints, compliments, and further information**

- For general enquiries please contact [dance@scll.co.uk](mailto:dance@scll.co.uk)
- For Complaints and compliments, please contact Louise.Seddon@Scll.co.uk or Cheryl.Keenan@Scll.co.uk