

**General Rules**  
**(Please Read Carefully)**

**Synergy Performing Arts Competition**

[www.synergypac.com](http://www.synergypac.com)

972-768-5553 (phone)

**Rules and Regulations – Revised 2022 please refer to new rebate guidelines in payment section!**

**SYNERGY PAC** will conduct business with studio owners, directors and teachers only. No students or parents should call the SYNERGY office for any reason. If any parent has questions regarding schedules, etc., they should be directed to the participating studio, not SYNERGY. All entries must be ready to perform an hour before their scheduled time.

**ENTRY DIVISIONS**

For the positive benefit of your dancers, your teachers will determine the adjudication level of each routine. Please mark correctly when registering the teacher preferred level of adjudication.

Training equals all classes and rehearsal time. We trust teacher's judgment and appreciate your honesty in placing your dancers in the appropriate division level.

**GUIDELINES:**

- I. Beginner Dancers: Up to 3 hours of training per week and/or 1-2 years of competition experience
  - II. Intermediate Dancers: 4-7 hours of training per week and/or 3-4 years competition experience
  - III. Advanced Dancers: 8 or more hours of training per week and/or 5 or ore years of competition experience
  - IV. Professional/Pro Am: A” professional” derives 50% of their income from teaching, performing, and /or choreography
- AD. Adaptive Dance – *Is a Division tailored for children and adults with intellectual and physical disabilities.*

\* Judges will change levels if the skill level is above the level they were placed in at the event.

Type	Time Limit	Max # of Dancers	Fee
(Please contact us for pricing or log in to dance comp genie account via our website <a href="http://www.synergypac.com">www.synergypac.com</a> )			
Solo	3:00		\$115(reg) \$130(nat)
Duo/Trio	3:00		\$130(reg) \$145(nat)
Small Group	3:00	4-8 dancers	\$45per dancer (reg) \$50 (nat)
Lg Group	4:00	9-17 dancers	\$45 per dancer (reg) \$50(nat)
Line	4:00	18 + dancers	\$45 per dancer (reg) \$50(nat)
Production	5:00-8:00	18 + dancers	\$45 per dancer (reg) \$50(nat)

There is a 15 point deduction for exceeding the time limit. All time limits include set up and tear down.

NO CHANGE (division, age or group) will be allowed after **Sunday the week of the competition without a \$30 administrative fee.**

### AGES

As of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. Please average ages and DROP the decimal.

Minis (5 and under), Petite (6-8 yrs old), Junior (9-12 yrs old), Teen (13-15 yrs old), Senior (16-18 yrs old)

### ADJUDICATION CRITERIA

Technique: (skills of style/steps, flexibility, strength, body alignment) 40%,

Showmanship: (stage presence, expression, energy, emotion) 20%,

Choreography/Content: (difficulty, creativity, intricacy, pace, transitions) 20%,

Overall Difficult/Appeal: (consistency, timing, age appropriate, music) 10%

Overall Costume: 10%

<u>Adjudication Score breakdown</u>	<u>Total of All Three</u>
<b>Synergy Shine</b>	<b>300-291pts</b>
<b>Platinum Award</b>	<b>290-282pts</b>
<b>High Gold</b>	<b>281-270pts</b>
<b>Gold Award</b>	<b>269-261pts</b>
<b>High Silver</b>	<b>260-249pts</b>
<b>Silver Award</b>	<b>248-237pts</b>
<b>Bronze Award</b>	<b>236-225pts</b>

## **DANCE CATEGORIES**

- \*Ballet/Pointe – Ballet or Pointe techniques. Baller or Pointe shoes only
- \*Character – Easily recognized character is portrayed. May incorporate any style of dance technique.
- \*Tap – Tap technique
- \*Dance Team/Drill – Precision choreography that also incorporate dance technique
- \*Hip Hop – Street style of jazz that incorporates contemporary and fad dance trends.
- \*Jazz – Primarily jazz techniques, utilizing up tempo music.
- \*Lyrical – Combination of jazz, modern and ballet techniques.
- \*Modern – Modern style techniques and moves.
- \*Musical Theater - “Broadway” or movie musical style of dance and/or song.
- \*Open – Will not fall under any other dance category, a combination or blend of multiple styles. Routines containing more than three acrobatic passes should perform in the Open Category.
- \*Pom Pom/Cheer – Pom Poms and pom pom techniques.
- \*Ballroom – all styles of partner dancing including waltz, tango, rumba, quick step etc.
- \*Clogging - is a type of folk dance in which the dancer's footwear is used musically by striking the heel, the toe, or both against a floor or each other to create
- \*Vocalist – live singing, must be using vocals over 75% of the time limit.
- \*Contemporary – is a type of dance that is combination of jazz, modern, and lyrical

## **MUSIC**

Synergy requires that all music is uploaded via your dance comp genie account. Music must be uploaded and double checked within 14 days of the first day of competition. If this is not possible please contact Synergy ASAP. Please bring a backup in the event of malfunction. The music upload feature only supports mp3 files. If the music you are using is in another audio format, you will need to convert using an online mp3 converter. ***A \$30 administrative music fee will be charged to your account if you are late uploading music.***

**TIME EXTENSIONS:** YOU are allowed to pay for extra time which includes: \$10 per 30 seconds not exceeding 1 minute in solo/duet/trio and groups/lines/productions must not exceed 2 minutes. This can be added and paid for through DCG registration.

## **ADJUCITAION AND AWARDS**

Adjudication – Bronze, Silver, High Silver, Gold, High Gold, Platinum, Synergy Shine Composite trophies will be presented to the studio. Scores and Audio critiques will be uploaded in dance comp genie within 3 business days after the last day of the event.

### **HIGH SCORE AWARDS**

Adult groups 19 years and over and Teacher/Pro-Am groups will ONLY be adjudicated and are not eligible for high score awards. Entries which perform out of division/type will not be eligible for high score awards. High scores and choreography awards win prizes. The overall awards are presented in Minis, Petite, Junior, Teen and Senior Divisions, I, II, III. Overalls must have 2 or more in the same age and division.

- \*Solo
- \*Duo/Trio
- \*Small Group
- \*Large Group
- \*Line/Production
- \*Judges Choice Awards
- \* High Scores and Choreography Winners will be recognized for solo, duet/trio and groups/lines
- \*Solo Title Winners will be announced and crowned
- \*Studio Awards, technique, showmanship, costume, sportsmanship
- \*Overall Studio Awards Division Level I, II, III
- \*Photogenic Awards

### **SYNERGY STAR PERFORMERS**

Synergy judges will award dancers of their choice to join the opening number at the Grand Finale' Nationals from each regional competition. Each Synergy Star Performer that is chosen will receive information to fill out and it will be their responsibility to notify Synergy if they plan to participate. Studios that attend Open Nationals without attending a regional will be contacted by Synergy to discuss how many Synergy Star Performers may be chosen from studio

### **MR/MISS SYNERGY**

When registering for Mr/Miss Synergy there will be an additional charge of \$30 per entry (regional) and \$50 per entry (national/grand finale).

Mini---5 and under

Petite---6-8 yrs

Junior---9-12 yrs

Teen---13-15 yrs

Senior---16-18 yrs

### **MR/MISS PHOTOGENIC**

Registration for Photogenic is solely accepted in person at Synergy events. You will need to register, turn in picture and pay at the merchandise table once you arrive. We will announce the winner of photogenic at the last awards ceremony of the event. Please include name, studio, and age on the back of photo. Photogenic will be divided accordingly: 12 and under; 13 and up

Each entry is \$30.

\*\* \*Don't forget to pick up your photos after the event at the Merchandise Table

## **MASTER CLASS**

The Master Classes are offered for FREE to any dancer that is registered in the competition. We offer this to increase your knowledge of dance and to experience new teachers. Please take advantage of this amazing offer!!

## **CHARITY DANCE OFF**

Anyone that purchases a \$10 cash ticket from the front merchandise table will be eligible to participate in the Charity Dance Off. All proceeds will go to the Cavett Kids Foundation. [www.Cavettkids.org](http://www.Cavettkids.org)

## **OPEN GRAND FINALE' NATIONALS**

Nationals Pricing: Please contact us or log in to dance comp genie for pricing via our website [www.synergypac.com](http://www.synergypac.com). Our Grand Finale will include a Solo/Duet/Trio Gala as well as a Groups/Lines/Production Gala for each Level.

### **Rebates:**

10% if you attend both the Regional and Nationals Competition and pay 50 days prior  
5% if you register and pay 40 days prior

## **ONLINE REGISTRATION FORMS**

All entries must be registered through our online registration system on our web site [www.synergypac.com](http://www.synergypac.com) payments must be received **immediately** when registration is completed to hold your spot in the competition. *It is the sole responsibility of each studio to double check their entries. If we need to make corrections after the 14 day prior to competition there will be a \$30 administrative fee charged per day to the studio account.*

## **PAYMENT (PLEASE READ IN FULL DETAIL)**

All fees must be paid by studio check, cashier's check, money order or via pay pal through dance comp genie website ; one studio payment for all entries. All studios must include payment. **NO cash refunds for entries.** Entries will not be guaranteed until paid in full. Paid entries are accepted on a "first come, first serve" basis. All fees are non-refundable. *Teacher Rebate 5% rebate to studio only who register and pay in full 40 days prior to the competition date. In order to receive the 5% rebate payments must be received 40 days prior and be in the form of studio check, cashier's check or money order and mailed to the below address. We can no longer offer the 5% rebate if fee's are paid via PayPal (sorry for the inconvenience but PayPal now charges Synergy a 3% fee for every transaction).* The 5% rebate is not offered for Independent Entries. If you qualify for the 5% after your registration is completed and paid in full Synergy will contact you to rebate the 5%. Entries must be completed online and paid in full 40 days prior to the competition date.

***Entries and Payment are due 30 days prior to the competition date!!! Registration or Payment not received within the 21 day mark of event will be charged a \$30 per routine late fee.***

Mail payment to – 2476 Deerwood Drive Little Elm, Texas 75068

*When paying with a credit card or debit card there will be a 3% processing fee. The fee is not refundable or able to be applied as credit. The processing fee is a convenience fee paid to PayPal/credit card processor.*

### **COUPONS/DISCOUNTS/REBATES/SYNERGY BUCKS**

No coupons/discounts/rebates/synergy bucks can be combined with s when registering for Synergy. Synergy bucks/coupons can only be used when 5 or more small group/large groups are entered into competition. *Synergy bucks are not to exceed \$250 per studio per event.*

### **COMPETING OUT OF ORDER**

Each entry is expected to compete at the time in which it is scheduled. However, Synergy PAC may ask routines to compete out of order to avoid delay due to costume changes. Please be prepared to perform 1 hour earlier than scheduled time as Synergy PAC could run ahead.

### **CANCELLATION/EXTENSIONS OF SHOWCASES**

SYNERGY PAC, reserves the right to cancel or extend any showcase in accordance with the response of the number of showcase entries. Studios will be notified within three days if the showcase is to be extended.

### **LIABILITY**

SYNERGY PAC, its owner, directors, judges, staff and affiliates assume no liability for personal injury or property loss. Each dancer is to have had a liability released signed by an authorized legal representative.

### **PUBLICITY**

Choreographers, teachers and performers automatically grant permission to SYNERGY to use their photos and videos for advertising and publicity purposed, inclusive of television, videotaping or film broadcast in connection with promotion campaigns.

***\*\*ALL ROUTINES MUST BE APPROPRIATE FOR FAMIY ENTERTAINMENT! If any music has inappropriate/foul language in it immediate disqualification will be enforced.***

### **VIDEO and PHOTOGRAPHS**

**Video camera, movie cameras, or any other recording devices are prohibited from the auditorium. Failure to comply with this rule could result in disqualifications or point deduction for your studios routine performing. If videos cameras or any other type of recording devices are found in the auditorium we reserve the right to take the tape or media being recorded. No still photography of any kind is allowed in the auditorium. We will ask you to delete the performance from your device. This is for the safety and protection of our dancers and choreographers.**

SYNERGY PAC, request that all participants, and guest of participants respect each facility that is hosting our dance competition. Absolutely NO food allowed in the theaters.