

2022 STEP TEAM

Dear Parents and Prospective Steppers,

The Pretty Precise Step Team 2022-2023 Step Season has begun. All steppers will focus on precision, endurance, strength, and flexibility training. This camp will provide step instruction as well as a means for step team members to bond. The camp is open to Ages 5yrs – 18yrs.

# **Step Application**

**Step Fees:** \$100 Initial Registration fee \$125 dues per month for all members

#### **Payment Policy:**

Invoices will be sent via email on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of each month. Each payment is due no later than the 2<sup>nd</sup> of each month. There is a \$25 late fee per child. Late fees are still due although arrangements are made.

## **Refund Information:**

All payments are final. There will be no refunds (partial or full) for children who fail to complete the program.

Please give 30 day cancellation notice if you decide for whatever reason your stepper will not continue. There will be a \$250 fee applied to your account, otherwise followed by legal actions to obtain outstanding fees.

#### **Stepper Attire:**

We ask that steppers are dressed appropriately for EVERY camp practice: (MASKED REQUIRED) T-shirt (no tank tops, please as males may be in attendance)

Loose fitting shorts, yoga pants/capris

Supportive tennis shoes only (Please no converse, flat girls tennis, sandals, etc.)



# **Participation Agreement:**

I recognize that stepping is a high energy activity and give permission for my child to participate in the step program. By registering and having my child participate, I release the Pretty Precise Step Team and its affiliates from all liability.

Stepper Name
Parent/Guardian Name (printed)
Parent/Guardian Name (signed)
Date of Signature
Witness (Pretty Precise Coach)

\*Application will not be processed until all paperwork is completed and signed, and registration fee has been paid\*



# **Description of Our Teams:**

Pretty Precise Dollz/Divas
Comprised mostly of middle school girls or advanced level elementary school 5yrs-13yrs old Traveling competition team (in-state and out-of-state).
High commitment and practice level.
High financial obligation during travel and competition season

Pretty Precise Diamonds Comprised of high school girls, ages 14yrs -18yrs old. Traveling competition team (in state and out of state). High commitment and practice level. High financial obligation during travel and competition season

## Participant Registration Form (Individual Stepper's Information)

State	Zip
	State



# **Emergency Contact Information**

Contact #	Relationship to Stepper
Second Contact Name	
Contact #	Relationship to Stepper

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#### **Medical Information**

The following is to be completed and signed by a parent/guardian. To be admitted into the program, this form MUST be completed and signed.

Stepper Name Does the stepper have any food allergies? Yes No If yes, please list foods below:

Does the stepper have any medication allergies? Yes No If yes, please list medications below:

Will the stepper be taking any medication at the time of practice? Yes No If yes, please list:

Does the stepper have permission to take those medications at practice? Yes No Please list any chronic medical conditions that the coaches should be aware of (asthma, diabetes, etc.):

My child has permission to take over-the-counter medications (Tylenol, Ibuprofen, Visine, etc.) as deemed necessary by the practice facilitators? Yes\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature\_\_\_\_\_

Date

Date\_\_\_\_\_ Witness (Pretty Precise Coach) \_\_\_\_\_



# Pretty Precise Step Fall Season Disciplinary Policy

Step practice is meant to be a fun, educational, and recreational activity. For the benefit of all steppers, it is important that children behave appropriately within the practice. If it becomes necessary to take disciplinary action against a stepper, the steps that will be followed are outlined below:

**1**st **Incident:** The stepper will receive a verbal warning, and an explanation will be given as to why the behavior is inappropriate (whenever possible, this will be done in a one-on-one setting, removed from the other steppers).

**2**nd **Incident:** The staff will determine an appropriate consequence for the stepper's actions (running laps, jumping jacks, or time out/exclusion from an activity). The stepper's parent will be notified of the child's behavior when they arrive to pick them up at the end of practice.

**3**rd **Incident:** Stepper will be permanently excused from step camp without a refund.

\*Pretty Precise Step Team reserves the right to expel or excuse any stepper from camp/season permanently, following even the 1st incident in cases of serious issues. \*

Stepper Name	
Parent/Guardian Name (printed)	

Parent/Guardian Signature\_\_\_\_\_

Witness (Pretty Precise Coach)



#### **Pretty Precise Return Policy**

All payments are final, and non-refundable. All registration fees, dues, fundraising dollars – individual and group, are for the purpose of supporting the team, and therefore, are only returnable to the current team members. If a child's status with the team is terminated for **ANY** reason, all paid/fundraised money is non-refundable, and is the property of Pretty Precise Step Team. Should this scenario occur, the terminated team member's balance will either be divided among the remaining team members, or added to the group account, to be decided at the discretion of the Coaching Staff.

Stepper Name (printed)	
Parent/Guardian Name (printed)	
Parent/Guardian Name (signed)	
Date	
Witness (Pretty Precise Coach)	-



## Permission for Stepper Image Use

Please read carefully and check either the YES or NO lines below:

As the parent/guardian of this stepper, I understand that the Pretty Precise Step Team will use my child's picture or video, keeping her safety and best interests in mind. I understand that my child's image, video, or picture could be viewed by anyone with access to the organization's website, social media, or in other recordings. I further understand that images or videos may be copied. This includes legal and ethical use of the image.

I hereby authorize the use and distribution for website, photographs, film, images, digital depictions, social media, and other recordings, including unrestricted use for non-commercial educational purposes.

Yes\_\_\_\_No\_\_\_\_

Stepper Name (printed)\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name (printed)\_\_\_\_\_

Date					

Witness (Pretty Precise Coach)



#### **Coach Responsibilities**

1. **Relay any information needed.** It is our responsibility to communicate necessary information to the team members, parents, school administration, and event coordinators. We will give all information as soon as we receive it for any upcoming performance or practice changes. We still rely on your child to relay some forms of communication; so please be sure to ask your child if they have received any information after each practice.

2. Make sure we put our best foot forward. The step team represents the parents, the stepper, the coaches, and the community. Therefore, it is our responsibility to make sure that we put on the best show every time we perform. We are responsible for making sure that each member is prepared to execute each step routine correctly. We reserve the right to sit any child out of the performance that does not execute the routine correctly.

3. **Monitor the progress of our steppers.** We are responsible for checking up on our steppers' grades and behavior. We have the right to sit any stepper that is having concerns in class, academically or behaviorally. We also have the right to sit any stepper that is being disrespectful.



## Member Responsibilities

**1. Members need to be role models.** It is the expectation that our ladies are role models not only at practice, competitions or events, but at school, home and community. The teams have a positive well-known name. Many of the girls are recognized even when they are not in their team attire.

Remember to "Have Attitude .... Don't Have An Attitude"

**2. Members are required to keep up in class.** We will check every progress report and report card throughout the year. We also ask teachers about work habits and behavior in class. Steppers are expected to be leaders in school. They should maintain a positive attitudes and good work ethic.

**3. Members need to control their stepping at school.** It is wonderful that they love what they do and want to practice, however the hallways and at recess are not the times do so. It is also important to only step at practice or at home. If everyone knows our routines it makes people less interested in watching our performances throughout the year.

**4. Members need to understand that a uniform is special.** It means you belong to a team. Please keep track of your warmup/uniform. Also keep your warmup/uniform crisp and clean for performances. *Whether it is a t-shirt, shoes, pants, jacket, costumes or warmups they should only be worn when directed to by a coach.* When in doubt ask a coach for clarification.

**5. Members need to focus on EXCELLENCE!** Pretty Precise Diamonds and Divaz are competition teams. We compete against the best of the best in the nation. Therefore, each member is expected to perform at their best ability. For certain shows or when we determine necessary, we will have tryouts before each competition. Tryouts will be judged on precision, showmanship, enthusiasm, vocal clarity and endurance.

6. Members must except that "I can't" and excuses don't exist on our teams.

Excuses are tools of incompetence; they build bridges and monuments of nothingness. Those who use them; are masters of nothingness!



## **Parent Responsibilities**

#### 1. Communication.

a. **Communicate with the Coaches**. Communication is essential for a productive team. If you have any questions or concerns, please address those with the one of the coaches as opposed to another parent. We would like to keep the relationship between coaches and parents positive. <sup>(2)</sup>

b. **GroupMe**. GroupMe is a great chat room for the entire team, parents and coaches. Please use this method of contact for general questions and information.

c. **Text**. Please make sure that coaches have all current phone numbers. Please use text messaging to contact coaches directly if a child is running late or will miss a practice. Also use this method of contact for specific questions regarding dues, payments, etc.

d. Check-In. Feel free to check in after practice to ask about any upcoming events. Also be sure to ask your child if they have received any forms or information from us.

2. **Drop Off and Pick Up Your Child On Time**. It is extremely important for all team members to attend all scheduled practices. Failure to do so often results in team members not knowing steps/transitions, and thus, forcing them to be removed from shows she is not stage ready. It also adds pressure to the coaches and remaining steppers to reorganize the show without your child in the line-up. Finally, it is embarrassing for the stepper that is removed from a show.

3. **Drive or Arrange for a Ride**. Our performance schedule varies. However, in many cases our performances are on weekends. Please drive or arrange a ride for your child in the case you cannot attend. If any child needs a ride and the parent cannot find an alternate please contact the coaches in advance.

4. Understand the Financial Obligations. Pretty Precise Diamonds and Divaz are competition teams that perform at a national level. Therefore, we need to meet competition standards locally and nationally. We compete in the hardest and most competitive leagues in the nation.

5. Pretty Precise name and apparel are trademarked. Please do not make or wear any clothing that has our logo or name displayed without our approval. We reserve the right to protect our image and brand. All approved merch can be ordered through the coaches.

6. All steps and routines used in practice and competitions belong to Pretty Precise Step Team. Anyone teaching or sharing steps with schools, churches, family and/or other teams will immediately be removed from team. Legal action may follow. Our staff work extremely hard on choreography.



#### **STEP TEAM GUIDELINES**

1. Follow all school rules and procedures.

- 2. Must maintain a C average or higher (But strive for higher)
- 3. All cell phones must be turned off or placed on silent during practice.
- 4. No visitors allowed during practice unless preapproved.
- 5. No chewing gum during practice or shows.
- 6. All jewelry must be removed before practice or a performance begins.
- 7. Proper attire must be worn during practice!
- 8. No unnecessary horseplay during practice.
- 9. Any disrespectful behavior to any adult or visitor is grounds for disciplinary action.

10. Please notify one of the coaches ahead of time before a missed practice or performance.

11. Any missed time from practice; you are responsible for learning what you missed on your own time. Practice time is needed for practice!

## 12. Be kind and courteous NO BULLYING AND GOSSIPING TOLERATED!

13. As a member of the Step Team, you are expected to follow all school rules. If you fail to do so and it results in your first write-up (office referral), you will be benched for any practices during the week that you serve ISS/OSS. If you receive a second write-up, further disciplinary action will be taken including dismissal from the team.

14. Step Team practices come first. Any conflicts with practices will be discussed on a case-bycase basis between the COACHES and STEP TEAM MEMBER.

# 15. IF YOU MISS PRACTICE DURING THE WEEK BEFORE/LEADING UP TO A PERFORMANCE, YOU WILL NOT STEP AT THAT PERFORMANCE.

16. You are to maintain the ability level or above that you exhibited at tryouts.

17. Be enthusiastic.

18. Remember, you are a ROLE MODEL, conduct yourself that way at all times. You represent **PRETTY PRECISE STEP TEAM!** 



We want to thank you for your participation, support, and cooperation. We look forward to another fun and successful year.

Thank you, Pretty Precise Step Team Staff

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