

The logo for Avenue d Performance Studio is set against a black rectangular background. The word "avenue" is in white lowercase letters, with the 'v' and 'u' highlighted in orange. The letter 'd' is inside a large orange circle. The background of the entire page features vibrant, swirling paint splashes in yellow, orange, and purple.

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• PERFORMANCE STUDIO •

2022 INFO PACK



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Welcome back to all Avenue D students and families, I hope you've had an extremely well deserved break. I would like to extend a warm hello to all the new faces! We are ready for a fantastic year in 2022!

In spite of last year being another difficult year that put us all to the test, we saw the resilient and dedicated Avenue D performers work their way through the challenges that 2021 threw at us! I am again so thankful to all the Avenue D

families for your wonderful support and for believing in Avenue D. I feel very fortunate that we were able to operate over the year, and it was amazing to watch the students build their resilience, and continually focus and work hard whether it was at home, over zoom or at face to face classes. The Avenue D students are proud of what they achieved over the year, the skills they learned and the way they positively handled each challenge.



The performance year started in April when the Avenue D Showgroup took to the stage at the Sydney Royal Easter Show to debut their show, "The Greatest Show". Although this ended up being their only performance, it was amazing to see the kids back on stage!

Despite four months at home, the Avenue D kids were still busy doing what they loved! They filmed a fun video via Zoom, "Permission to Dance" which we will look back on in years to come. They have also been working hard towards their 2021 concert, "In My Wildest Dreams". We are all extremely excited to get back on stage in March, and I am sure the Avenue D family & friends cannot wait to see the performers doing what they love. It has been a long wait since our last live concert in 2019, and you won't want to miss it!

We were fortunate that Avenue D's annual Christmas BBQ was able to go ahead, and that we all had an opportunity to come together. It was a really fun day! The year finished on a high with some live Christmas performances. The Avenue D Showgroup was invited to perform once again as part of the pre-show entertainment for Channel 7's Carols in the Domain and as part of the Ryde Rotary Carols. The kids were thrilled to get up on stage after a couple of crazy years, and they made us extremely proud!

We are crossing our fingers that 2022 will be a different year. However, I am confident that the Avenue D students will remain positive, shine bright, and continue to support one another through any challenges that come our way, just as they have in 2020 and 2021! Come on 2022... let's get dancing!!

AVENUE D 2022 TERM DATES

TERM 1 - Saturday, 29 January – Saturday, 9 April

TERM 2 - Monday, 25 April – Saturday, 2 July

TERM 3 - Monday, 18 July – Saturday, 24 September

TERM 4 - Saturday, 8 October – Saturday, 10 December

Please note classes will run on Pupil Free Days and Public holidays.



>>CLASSES<<

The best dancers are those who become proficient in a variety of styles of dance. I have witnessed great improvements in the students at Avenue D who learn multiple styles and immerse themselves in the performing arts.

ACROBATICS :

Acrobatics classes build balance, strength, agility and flexibility which are important skills for dancers. The classes use dance technique, are dynamic and incorporate partnering and tumbling skills.

Requirements: Avenue D uniform, hair slicked back in a bun.

ADULT JAZZ:

For those that wished they could dance when they were younger, or did dance and want to return. Classes will focus on basic skills, short combinations and fun!

Requirements: Comfortable clothing and sneakers or jazz shoes.



BALLET / TAP / JAZZ:

These classes are a Combo class for Junior students (1.5 hours - billed as 2 classes) Individual ballet, tap and jazz classes are available for Intermediate & Senior students.

Students are taught the foundations of Tap, Jazz and Ballet within their classes, building a strong dance base including technique, rhythm and performance. It is a wonderful introduction to the different styles of dance.

Ballet is the foundation of all styles of dance. Ballet students learn about the discipline of dance and focus on developing and strengthening their technique with grace and control. The techniques students learn benefit them in all classes.

Tap dancing is unique in that it is both music and dance based. Tap classes develop the student's rhythm and co-ordination through the various Tap techniques they learn – from shuffles to time steps to wings. The students are exposed to various styles of Tap – Broadway Tap, Rhythm Tap and Street Tap.

Jazz is the most commercial style of dance and combines important dance technique foundations with fun choreography to familiar songs. The class starts with a warm up and stretch before working on technique and learning choreography. Students are exposed to a large range of skills.

Requirements: Girls - Avenue D leotard, pink ballet tights or ballet socks, hair secured neatly in a bun. Optional - Avenue D bike shorts and crossover.

Girls shoes - Pink leather ballet shoes, tan slip-on jazz shoes, tan buckle tap shoes.

Boys – Avenue D shorts, Avenue D singlet

Boys shoes - Black leather ballet shoes, black slip-on jazz shoes, black lace-up tap shoes.

BEFORE SCHOOL DANCE CLASSES:

Fun and interactive dance classes, focusing on the styles of Jazz and Funk. It is a great opportunity for children of all skill levels to be active in the mornings and dance with their friends. A positive, fun way to start the morning. Children will be walked safely to school following the lesson.

Requirements: Girls – tan, slip on jazz shoes, Boys – black, slip on jazz shoes. Students may wear school uniform - girls will require bike shorts under their uniform.





DRAMA:

Drama students will work towards staging a production, which they will perform in Term 3. Classes will help students develop their confidence, speech and vocal skills, teamwork and communication skills. The classes will be structured to include warm up activities, character work and script work.

Requirements: Students will require a display folder (please clearly label).

HIP HOP:

This class is based on urban street dance, which is a style that is constantly evolving. It can be laid back and relaxed or strong and energetic. In the class, students will be exposed to different skills each week and learn a piece of choreography.

Requirements: Plain black hi tops (Kmart, Big W, etc). Avenue D uniform. Hair slicked back and out of the face.

LYRICAL:

Lyrical dance takes the techniques learnt from ballet and puts them into context with modern music. In this class, students will continue to work on their ballet technique as well as learn to express emotion and portray a story through dance. It is an open style of dance, which allows creative freedom.

Requirements: All students will require specialised lyrical shoes which can be purchased from Avenue D for \$25.00 a pair. Girls - Avenue D uniform (no hip hop pants), hair slicked back and out of the face. Boys - Avenue D uniform.

MUSICAL THEATRE:

Musical theatre is a fun and energetic class that is ideal for students who love singing, dancing and acting. The class focuses on storytelling, characterisation and facial expression as well as dance and vocal technique. This style is commonly seen in theatrical stage productions, such as on Broadway. In the event that singing is prohibited due to Covid-19 restrictions, there will be a larger focus on Broadway dance styles and performance.

Requirements: tan, slip on jazz shoes (girls) / soft, black, slip on jazz shoes (boys), Avenue D uniform, hair slicked back and out of the face. Display folder (clearly labelled).



STRETCH & STRENGTH:

A class focused on improving strength, dance technique and flexibility. Students will start with an extensive warm up and stretch before working on the progression of techniques such as turns, kicks, leaps, etc.

Requirements: tan slip on jazz shoes (girls) / soft black jazz shoes (boys), Avenue D uniform (not hip hop pants), hair slicked back and out of the face.

TINY TOTS:

The Tiny Tots class is an introduction to dance and explores the basic techniques in a fun learning environment. Children will develop their coordination, musicality and confidence whilst learning basic steps and short dance combinations.

Requirements: Girls - pink leather ballet shoes, Avenue D Tiny Tots dress, pink ballet tights or ballet socks, hair tied back. Boys – black jazz shoes, Avenue D uniform.

>>UNIFORM<<

Avenue D has an extensive uniform range which is a quality product, made by an Australian company. The uniform is compulsory for all students of all ages. Students must wear the correct uniform and shoes to take part in classes. We have a massive range of uniform pieces available: leotards, shorts, leggings, Tiny Tots dresses, scrunchies, bags (and more!).

Due to the current Covid situation we are not having an enrolment day this year, however we are offering appointments to try on uniforms.



You will receive the link to book a uniform appointment, as well as the uniform order form if you would simply like to place an order. Uniform orders are placed at the beginning of the year through the studio, and a mid year order is placed if needed.

If you have any questions regarding what your child needs, please contact us via email: dance@avenued.com.au

Please note: Saturday students should arrive for their Ballet class in their leotard and stockings with their hair groomed into a bun. Following their Ballet lesson, students may put on their shorts and/or singlets for their Jazz and Tap classes.

Hair must be well groomed and worn off the face for all classes. Avenue D hair bows, flowers, and scrunchies are available to accessorise if desired.



>>SHOES<<

Correct footwear is essential to the learning process and the overall dancing experience.

Local dancewear shops to purchase dancing shoes:

AKA DANCEWEAR - Shop 1/2 Flinders Road, North Ryde

>>SECOND HAND SALE<<

Avenue D Performance Studio has a Facebook page to allow families within our community to sell and purchase second hand shoes and uniform pieces. At this time of the year many families are looking to purchase new shoes, so I encourage you to post what you no longer need!

Similarly, if you are looking for some second hand shoes, be sure to ask, as someone may have what you are looking for!

Search and join ' **Avenue D Performance Studio – Second Hand Sale** '.

>> REGISTRATION <<

\$55 incl GST per student / \$40 incl GST second sibling / \$30 incl GST third sibling.

This fee is payable before the start of Term One (January 29) via Trybooking. You will receive the link when you register for 2022 classes. The registration fee helps to cover Insurance and Music Licensing.

>> ALL INCLUSIVE FEES <<

At Avenue D, we understand families are busy and wish to make your dance experience as easy as possible! In 2022 we have moved towards a simplified, all-inclusive fee structure. It aims to make things straight forward for our families, to help with budgeting and spread costs across the year. All the essentials are included - class tuition, costumes and concert, divided into four term payments. This means there are no additional costs throughout the year.

The fee structure we have in place also offers generous discounts to those students doing multiple classes and immersing themselves in the performing arts. The more classes you do, the greater the discount!

Each all-inclusive class package includes:

- Weekly group class tuition
- Class resources
- Concert music for at-home practice
- End of year concert costume hire
- Limited edition 2022 concert t-shirt
- All additional concert rehearsals
- HD digital copy of Avenue D's 2022 concert video

Sibling special: Each child will receive a \$10 voucher for the Avenue D Shop.



Please note: If any special stand-alone performance opportunities become available, ie NRL Dance Spectacular, you will be notified of the cost along with the performance details. These will be optional.

CLASS PACKAGES - ALL-INCLUSIVE PRICING (prices incl GST)	
Number of classes	Term Instalment
1x class	\$195 per term
2x classes	\$365 per term
3x classes	\$490 per term
4x classes	\$615 per term
5x classes	\$720 per term
6x classes	\$815 per term
7x classes	\$870 per term
Unlimited	\$885 per term
ADDITIONAL CLASSES (prices incl GST)	
Class	Term Instalment
Acrobatics (Only class)	\$210 per term
Acrobatics (Add on)	\$185 per term
Showgroup	\$230 per term
Adult Jazz	\$165 per term

>>ACTIVE AND CREATIVE KIDS VOUCHERS<<



You can save \$300 off your dance fees as Avenue D is registered as both an Active Kids and Creative Kids provider!! These two programs were initiated by the NSW Government to encourage children to participate in physical activity and creative programs. Both the Active Kids programs offer parents the opportunity to claim \$100 vouchers to put towards your child's activities.

Your two \$100 Active Kids vouchers (semester one and semester two) can be used for Avenue D's dance and acrobatics classes.

Your \$100 Creative Kids voucher can be used for ANY Avenue D classes such as dance, acrobatics and drama.



To simplify the process, you will be asked to send voucher details and your child's DOB to vouchers@avenued.com.au.

Avenue D will credit the vouchers to the following terms:

Term One: Active Kids Voucher One

Term Two: Creative Kids Voucher

Term Three: Active Kids Voucher Two

You can apply for your vouchers here:

www.service.nsw.gov.au/creativekids www.service.nsw.gov.au/activekids

>>SHOWGROUP<<

The Avenue D Showgroup is a small performance group of dedicated students. The students who are invited to participate in this group are extremely committed to developing their dance technique and performance quality by learning a wide variety of styles. They have been carefully selected after much observation in class; their attendance, attitude and behaviour are also important factors. This group has been afforded some wonderful opportunities over the past few years, including performances at the Sydney Royal Easter Show, a spot on Channel 7's Weekend Sunrise, and as part of the Pre-Show Entertainment for Carols in the Domain.

Please know that I am always observing the children in class for dedication, punctuality, attitude, grooming and sportsmanship. Avenue D students will be given opportunities when they show a readiness for it. I realise that some students will prefer not to have this extra commitment and would rather have casual dance lessons. I also work to provide all Avenue D students with performance opportunities throughout the year.



>>END OF YEAR CONCERT<<

The highlight of every student's dancing year is the end of year concert! For those who are new to Avenue D, our concert is a massive showcase that gives each student the opportunity to perform. Why is it so important? It's your child's chance to shine on stage! It gives them the opportunity to perform for their friends and family, and show how much they have improved over the year. The Avenue D concert provides a truly memorable stage experience that celebrates the dedication, talent and achievements of every single student. Our 2022 concert will be held at The Concourse Theatre, Chatswood on Saturday, 12 November.



>>COMMUNICATION<<

All families will have an account with **Dance Studio Pro**. It is important to keep your details up to date and ensure there is an active email address listed as the majority of communication throughout the year is made via email.

Avenue D also has a Facebook page and Instagram account, both of which are constantly updated throughout the year with information and fun class and performance photos! You are encouraged to share the photos and comment - share the love!!

www.facebook.com/avenuedps

www.instagram.com/avenuedps

Our private Facebook group "**Avenue D Family**" is for our community of students and family members. It is a place to share photos, information and ask questions. You must 'request' to join this group.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/avenuedfamily>



>>CODE OF CONDUCT<<

Here are a few guidelines to help keep the studio running smoothly and to ensure all students are able to remain focused and enjoy their classes.

- Students are expected to be punctual. Warm up is conducted at the beginning of class and is imperative in making sure the body is ready for physical activity. If your child is late, they risk injury and miss learning important skills.
- It is a parent's responsibility to pick up their child promptly at the end of class.
- All students must be picked up from within the hall grounds at the conclusion of class (except where COVID-19 restrictions prevent them from entering school grounds etc). Children are not to walk to a parked car to be picked up, the teacher must be able to spot each parent prior to letting a child leave.
- Students must wait quietly outside the hall for their class to start, as to not disrupt the ongoing class.
- Due to current COVID-19 restrictions, parents must not enter the Scout Hall or North Ryde Public School premises under any circumstances.
- Mobile phones are to be switched off.
- There are to be no photographs or videos taken in class.
- All students and parents are expected to be kind, friendly and respectful of one another, both in and out of the studio. We are here to support each other and work as a team.
- Students are to respect their dance costumes by looking after them and not eating in costume.
- Students must not attend classes if they have any COVID-19 symptoms. Please note that if your child is unwell at classes, you will be called to come and pick your child up immediately.
- Students must abide by all COVID-19 restrictions and regulations that are set by the government and Avenue D.



Avenue D Performance Studio Terms & Conditions of Enrolment:

1. Students will be enrolled for the calendar year.
2. Term fees are due prior to the commencement of each term.
3. There will be no rebates for classes missed due to holidays, injuries, sickness or other sporting or family commitments.
4. By enrolling, I hereby absolve Avenue D from any liability in the event of any injury to my child.
5. In the event of forced closures, classes will continue online via zoom.
6. Students with unpaid accounts will be unable to participate in classes.
7. If you would like to withdraw your child from any class, you need to email - dance@avenued.com.au

I look forward to a wonderful year of dance in 2022!!

Kind regards,
Danni Camage
(Creative Director)

>>DATES FOR THE DIARY<<

TERM ONE

- **Sun 27 Feb** - 2021 Concert Rehearsal (whole cast)
- **Sat 5 March** - 2021 Concert - In My Wildest Dreams

TERM TWO

- **Mon 25 April** - Anzac Day (afternoon classes are on)
- **Mon 13 June** - Queen's Birthday (classes are on)

TERM THREE

- **Sun 18 Sep** - Photo Day

TERM FOUR

- **Sun 23 Oct** - Concert rehearsal (whole cast)
- **Sun 30 Oct** - Concert dress rehearsal (whole cast)
- **Sat 12 Nov** - Avenue D Concert
- **Mon 14 - Sat 19 Nov** - Costume return week
- **Sun 27 Nov** - Avenue D BBQ
- **Mon 28 Nov - Sat 3 Dec** - Trial Week
- **Mon 5 Dec - Sat 10 Dec** - Christmas Week



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