

Code of Conduct and School Rules

The goal of The Ministry of Beats Cheer and Dance School's rules and code of conduct is to help teachers and students create an environment that is conducive to learning and teaching. The rules listed below are clear and reasonable and will be consistently implemented. The Ministry of Beats reserves the right to inform a student that s/he should seek instruction elsewhere if their behavior - or that of the parent/family members or caregivers - is disruptive or disrespectful. A positive and safe learning environment for students and adults is essential to our success and we appreciate your commitment to these principles.

Student Code of Conduct

- Students will arrive to class on time to avoid disruption to other students, and it is recommended that students arrive at the studio at least 10 minutes before the start of class to allow time to prepare for class and warm up. Pupils should apologise if they arrive late or for absence.
- Students will be dressed in appropriate attire and have hair secured properly.
- Have appropriate clothing on when arriving and leaving classes. Always put a t-shirt or hoodie over cheer/dance clothes and uniform.
- Hair should be in a neat bun for jazz/pom and a bun or ponytail for freestyle/street.
- No jewellery to be worn to class (stud earrings are permitted).
- Students will listen carefully and respectfully to the staff at all times. Students are not permitted to chat to each other during class. If disrespect is shown to a staff member, the student may be asked to leave.
- Respect should be shown to all students. No bullying, gossip or isolation of other students.
 Students under the age of 18 will ask for assistance from the adults in charge when they have trouble with another student.
- No eating or drinking in class, except for water breaks.
- Respect and care must be shown for studio costumes, equipment, facilities etc. (Put rubbish in the bins and clean up after yourself)
- Mini-Junior students are not to leave the studio/premises without a parent/guardian. Senior students must have authorized permission from staff and parents to leave premises unaccompanied.
- Please check your child has the correct uniform for the class they are participating in. (please see the uniform list on the website or ask a member of staff).
- <u>Correct footwear</u> is essential for health and safety and to enable pupils to perform to the best of their ability.
- The Ministry of Beats holds no responsibility for any injury or items lost. No valuable items should be left in student's bags. Please check lost property regularly.
- Pupils waiting for their class must be quiet and considerate towards other people using the

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- studio or gymnasium whilst they are waiting. Parents are responsible for pupils when waiting between classes.
- Everyone must fill in a registration form when signing up to the school. Please keep us informed of any changes in medical history/change of address/change of contact details etc.
- The teaching of cheerleading and dance often requires the teacher to physically guide a movement by touch. Without this guidance the student may never gain the correct posture and understanding of technical requirements. By signing this code of conduct, I agree that physical contact is a part of teaching.
- All solo and group dances are the property of The Ministry of Beats. Therefore, if a student leaves the school, these remain able to be passed on to other students.
- No dances are to be put on Social Media or YouTube as this could infringe copyright.
- The Ministry of Beats reserves the right to ask any student to leave the school for inappropriate behaviour.

Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct

- Honesty and Integrity is expected.
- Parents to demonstrate respect for staff at all times. If disrespect is shown towards staff, the family may be asked to leave the school.
- Parents to respect and follow the advice and direction provided by teachers and be supportive of their children's efforts. At The Ministry of Beats it is considered more important to focus on children's efforts rather than winning or losing.
- The Ministry of Beats would like parents to appreciate that children participate in dance for their own enjoyment and some may want to compete/take examinations whereas others will not.
- Pupils must not be left unsupervised between classes. No responsibility can be taken for any pupil outside of class. Supervision is not provided, the school is only responsible for your child when they are in class.
- Parents should please teach their children respect for teachers and other students and lead by example.
- Please trust our teachers' judgment when entering for competitions/examinations. We have your child's best interests at heart and would only enter them if we feel they are of a standard to succeed.

Staff Code of Conduct

- The principal of The Ministry of Beats Cheer and Dance school (Amy Savile) also works in the local area as a Clinical Psychologist in a Child and Adolescent Mental Health (CAMHS) team. She is equally dedicated to both jobs and works confidentially in both areas. Therefore, if a young person who attends the Ministry of Beats Cheer and Dance school also needs support at CAMHS, please be assured that as part of the psychology code of ethics and the Ministry of Beats' code of conduct, Miss Amy will not be able to offer any mental health treatment to that student or put herself in a position where information about the child's mental health treatment could be heard or discussed. In addition, anyone Miss Amy is currently offering mental health treatment to will not be able to attend the Ministry of Beats Cheer and Dance school until this treatment has finished.
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