

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. How long are birthday parties?

A. Parties run from 2:00 – 3:20 p.m. on Saturday afternoons. At 3:30 the instructor and assistant will begin to clean up the party room. If party runs later than 3:40 pm there will be a \$50.00 late fee to not exceed 4:00 p.m.

Q. How far in advance do I need to book my child's party?

A. We suggest all parties be booked at least one month in advance in order to ensure the date is available.

Q. When is the final payment due?

A. A deposit of \$50.00 is due at the time of booking the party. Final payment is due on or before 1:45 pm on the day of the party.

Q. What do the guests do during the party?

A. Part one of the party is in Studio 2 for about 45-55 minutes. During this portion of the party the children will participate in age appropriate dance activities, games and obstacle courses lead by a certified dance instructor and a dance assistant. Part 2 of the party is in Studio 3 where the children can eat pizza, cake or cupcakes if you choose to provide it. This portion of the party is 30-45 minutes. All parties end promptly at 3:30 p.m.

Q. How early can we arrive prior to the start of the party to set up?

A. You may arrive at the studio at 1:30 p.m. prior to the start of the party as we have classes until that time. During the half hour before you may set up the party room (Studio 3) as you wish with a few decorations. Upon your arrival long tables with chairs/benches for the children to sit at will be set up along with a long table for the pizza and/or cake/cupcakes to be set on. All additional decorating is the responsibility of the parent of the birthday party girl/boy.

Q. What do I need to bring for the party?

A. Parents can bring a few decorations (happy birthday sign, table decorations, etc.). The studio provides balloons and table cloths. Parents can provide their own if they want to bring themed table cloths and/or balloons. Parents also have the option to provide pizza, drinks (juice boxes and/or water bottles) and cake or cupcakes for the second portion of the party. If providing food/cake/cupcakes parents will also need to provide plates, candles, napkins, utensils, etc. Due to the nature of our dance floor we ask that food be limited to pizza and/ or cake or cupcakes in order to keep the dance studio clean for all of our dancers!

Q. Can the party be extended?

A. All extensions must be approved by assigned party instructor and studio owner. Any interest in extending must be expressed at time of booking and will be confirmed by Miss Kayla our birthday party coordinator within one week. We can not guarantee extension will be possible due to additional events run at/by the studio.

Q. Do you provide invitations or goodie bags?

A. The studio does provide invitations which parents can pick up at the front desk upon scheduling their child's party. Each invitation has a waiver for guests to fill out and bring with them upon arrival to the party. The studio does not provide goodie bags. It is up to the parent if they wish to provide goodie bags for the guests attending the party.

Q. What do the guests need to wear/bring?

A. Guests are encouraged to wear comfortable play clothes and socks. Guests participating in the dance portion of the party will need to sign a waiver (on the back of the invitations provided by the studio) prior to entering the dance room (Studio 2). We HIGHLY encourage these waivers be filled out prior to attending the party and be brought with the guests upon arrival. The waivers will be collected by the front desk staff upon the guest's arrival. If guests forget their waivers one will be provided to them upon arrival to the studio. ALL guests participating in the dance portion of the party MUST fill out the waivers and hand them into the front desk in order to participate in the birthday party fun!

Q. Is there an age limit for guests attending?

A. All children participating in the dance portion of the party must be 4 years old or older. Siblings of the birthday girl/boy are an exception to this rule. Siblings are the ONLY exception as this is a safety matter for all guests. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation!

Q. Can the guest's parents/guardians stay?

A. Guests parents/guardians are able to stay throughout the party. Due to the type of dance floor we have we request all parents wait in our waiting room. Free Wifi access is available as well as viewing windows. We also ask that only the birthday girl/boys parent/guardian enter the dance room for pictures, etc. in order to allow for the most use of the space.

Q. Who can I contact for more information/any additional questions?

A. Miss Kayla is our birthday party teacher. You can email her at misskayla@thenextstep-dance.com or contact her by phone by calling the studio and leaving a message for her with the front desk staff. She will be happy to assist you and return your calls/emails as soon as possible. You can also ask the front desk any questions you may have!