At HIS Dance Academy it is our intention to provide an environment and staff where excellence in dance is taught while developing talent and building Christian character. Our goal is for the studio to reflect the Kingdom of God; therefore, we do not discriminate based on gender, religion, race or ethnic background.

In order to be the best stewards of the resources granted to HIS Dance, the following criteria have been set up:

- Only students aged 6 and above may apply for a scholarship
- May only apply for 1 scholarship per year, per family
- Must be a current HIS Dance student to apply

We also ask that you forward the enclosed “Letter to Substantiate Need for Scholarship” form to a person (pastor, school, counselor, government body, etc.) who can petition on your behalf to help qualify your student for this scholarship. After they complete the form they will mail it directly back to HIS Dance. We will then put the completed form in your file along with your application, for review by our committee. This letter must also be received by July 19, 2019.

If your student does qualify for a HIS Dance scholarship, you will be notified the first week of August 2019. A payment schedule will be given to you at that time for the balance of the tuition. **Costume, Pre Professional and Ensemble fees are the responsibility of the family and will not be included in the scholarship.** All students of HIS Dance have the opportunity to cover the cost of their costume through the coffee sale fundraiser. $3 of each bag sold will be applied to the costume fee. Each student must register online and pay the first month’s tuition and registration fee. Tuition will then be adjusted based on amount awarded. Nonpayment of a monthly tuition/costume fee will void the scholarship, unless arrangements have been made ahead of time with the scholarship committee.

All scholarship applications and the “Letter to Substantiate Need for Scholarship” forms must be submitted by July 19, 2019. You will receive written confirmation of our committee’s decision by the first week of August 2019.

- All scholarship applications and decisions will be held in confidence.
- All scholarship applications will be reviewed by a scholarship review committee.
- All scholarship requests will be reviewed each semester. Factors such as attendance, behavior, attitude and the student’s interest in the class will be taken into consideration. Scholarships may be rescinded at any time by the committee without prior written notice.
- If your family’s financial circumstances change and you find yourself able to afford some or all of the remaining tuition, please notify the HIS Dance co-director’s ASAP so that funds can be appropriated to another family in need.
• There are many opportunities to volunteer at HIS Dance. **We appreciate any help that you can give.** Please check with the co-directors for any projects needing attention.

If you have read, understand and fully agree with the HIS Dance Scholarship Policies and Procedures listed above, please complete the application and return it to our office. Please do not give the application to a teacher or desk mom.

Please forward the enclosed “Letter to Substantiate Need for Scholarship” form to the person of your choosing. They will then mail the form that they complete directly to HIS Dance. In order for the letter to be accepted by HIS Dance, it needs to be directly mailed by the person providing the information.

You will also need to have your child’s current dance Instructor complete the Instructor Recommendation Form and return it to Beth Huegli by **July 19**.

Remember that all three forms, (Scholarship Application, Letter to Substantiate Need and Instructor Recommendation Form) are due back to HIS Dance by **July 19, 2019** to be considered for the scholarship. Please remember to give plenty of time to the person you are asking to complete the “Letter to Substantiate Need” form.

**HIS Dance Scholarships**

1. **The Rizzo Scholarship:** In honor of our former bookkeeper Jeannine Rizzo, this scholarship will be awarded to 2 Special Needs students per year. There is 1 full scholarship available that will cover 100% of tuition for 1 class per year and 2 partial scholarships.

2. **The JoElla Scholarship:** This scholarship was created as reminder of the Biblical mandate to care for the Widow and the Orphan. Anyone who has lost a spouse or is fostering a child may apply for this scholarship. There are 2 partial scholarships available per year. ($225 per year)

3. **Graded Technique Scholarship:** Awarded to 4 Graded Technique students per year. Financial award given based on family need and funds available.

4. **HIS Kids Scholarship:** Awarded to 2 Recreational students 6 years and older per year and is a needs based scholarship which will cover 50% of tuition for (1) 60 minute recreational class.
HIS Dance Academy
Need Based Scholarship Application
Please complete all information and return to HIS Dance by July 19, 2019. We apologize, but late applications will not be considered.

Participants Information: (must be 6 years + to apply)
Student’s Full Name: ___________________________________________
School attending: ___________________________ Grade: _____ Age:____
Home Address: __________________________________________________
City, State, Zip: __________________________________________________
Phone: ___________________________ Email:________________________
Scholarship applying for: (please circle)
The Rizzo Scholarship, The JoElla Scholarship, The Pre-professional Scholarship or the HIS Kids Scholarship.
Class/level Student is requesting scholarship for: ___________________________
Regular Tuition for class/level: __________________________________________

Parents Information:
Father’s Name: _________________________ Employer: _________________________
Mother’s Name: _________________________ Employer: _________________________
Total Number of children living at home: __________________________
Total number of adults in household: __________________________

Please check Total Yearly Income (include child support if applicable:)
  o Under $10,500
  o $10,500-$14,999
  o $15,000-$20,000
  o $21,000-$25,000
  o $26,000-$30,000
  o $31,000-$35,000
  o $36,000 and up
• Has your family previously benefited from the HIS Dance scholarship fund? If so when & for whom.

• Is your child involved in any other extra-curricular activities, school or non-school groups? Please list the activities

• Please tell us why your child should be considered for an HIS Dance Scholarship?

• If your child were to be accepted for a scholarship, would you be able to help with a studio need such as sewing, paperwork, cleaning or other needs as they arise? Any special skills that you may be able to utilize? (Not used to determine eligibility, information only)

Enclosed you will also find a “Letter to Substantiate Need for Scholarship” form. This blank form should be given to someone (Pastor, school counselor, government employee, etc.) who may petition on your behalf to help show that you qualify for this need based scholarship. After they complete the form they will mail it directly to HIS Dance to be put into your file along with your application for review.

Thank you for your interest in taking classes at HIS Dance Academy. We will notify you in writing of our decision by the first week of August 2019.

Student signature: ___________________________________________ Date: __________

Parent signature: ___________________________ Date: __________

For Office Use Only:

Date received: _______ Amount awarded: ________ Additional award based on circumstances: _______
Amount due from the family: ________
Reviewed/approved by: ___________________________ Family notified by letter: ___________________
Dear _____________________,  

Thank you for taking the time to complete this information form for (student) _________________________. The family has applied for a need based scholarship HIS Dance Academy. This scholarship would help cover the cost of tuition for one year of a dance class that he/she is interested in attending.

This form should not take very long to complete, but your input could be very helpful in showing that this student does qualify for the need based scholarship.

Please return this form by July 19, 2019, directly to the HIS Dance offices.  
2715 29th Street SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49512

Your comments will be kept in the strictest confidence. Should you have any questions please phone the studio at 616-245-9501 and speak to one of the co-directors, Beth Huegli or Leslie Glendening.

• How long have you known this student/family?

• Please explain your relationship to the student/family.

• What information can you share with us that could help show that this student does qualify for this need based scholarship? For example, are there any extenuating circumstances that we should be aware of? (Parent unemployed, foster child, family member has a serious illness, etc.)

On behalf of this student and HIS Dance, thank you again for caring enough to take the time to complete this questionnaire. May God bless you!

Please Print Name: ________________________ Signature: ________________________

Title: ________________________ Address: ________________________

Phone # (       ) _______________ Cell (     ) ______________ E-mail: __________________

Please mail to: 2715 29th Street SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49512
HIS Dance Academy

Instructor Recommendation

*Parents: Please have this form filled out by your student’s current dance Instructor.*

*Instructors: Please return completed form to Beth Huegli’s box by July 19, 2019*

Students Name: ________________________________________________________________

Instructor Name: ________________________________________________________________

Name of class they attend: _______________________________________________________

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