

# CenterStage Performing Arts Academy Scholarships

## 2024-2025

### Available:

**TWO The CS Family Scholarship:** \$1000 will be awarded to one family for the 2024 – 2025 dance year\*

**ONE Diamond Scholarship:** \$200 per month for the 2024-2025 dance year \*

**ONE Platinum Scholarship:** \$150 per month for the 2024 – 2025 dance year\*

**ONE Gold Scholarship:** \$100 per month for the 2024 - 2025 dance year\*

**ONE Silver Scholarship:** \$60 per month for the 2024 - 2025 dance year\*

**ONE Bronze Scholarship:** \$30 per month for the 2024 - 2025 dance year\*

\*All scholarship recipients will be reviewed after the 2024 fall semester to ensure that they are meeting the requirements of their award. Scholarship funds will not be distributed for the spring semester if any of the requirements are not upheld and will instead be awarded to an alternate student via UpLift. *Only one scholarship may be awarded within a single family.*

### Eligibility for the Diamond, Platinum, Gold, Silver, and Bronze Scholarships

1. The student must have danced in at least one CenterStage dance class for the duration of the 2023-2024 dance year (September – May) and completed recital.
2. Must submit a record of excellent attendance from the 2023-2024 dance year. Attendance records can be obtained by emailing [info@performcenterstage.com](mailto:info@performcenterstage.com). UpLift **will not** take into consideration absences due to any outside activity or obligation, including school activities for Diamond and Platinum requests. UpLift **will take** into consideration school absences for Gold, Silver, and Bronze.
3. Must be enrolled in seven or more classes if applying for Diamond, six or more if applying for Platinum, five or more if applying for Gold, four or more if applying for Silver, and three or more if applying for Bronze. *Ballet 8, Ballet 9, Ballet 10, and Jazz/Lyrical 8 and 9 classes are considered one class.*
4. Must pay all tuition payments on time for the 2024-2025 dance year. **No exceptions.**
5. Must plan to participate in CS dance recital.
6. Must submit a one-page essay explaining why they love to dance, what their goals are for the 2024-2025 year, and any other relevant info on why a scholarship is needed.
7. Must receive two or more letters of reference from CenterStage instructors for being respectful in class and showing dedication to their craft. Students should reach out to instructors before their application is submitted. As the Director of CenterStage, Natalie Hudson cannot write a letter of reference for a student. It is strongly encouraged, but not required, that a student submit a performance reel (dancing and/or singing) for the Diamond and Platinum Scholarships.
8. **Must have turned in a completed application by the established deadline: August 1, 2024. No exceptions.**
9. **Applications lacking a record of attendance, proof of enrollment, essay, and/or letter of reference will not be considered.**

## Eligibility for the CS Family Scholarship

1. The CS Family Scholarship will be awarded to two families for the 2024 – 2025 dance year.
2. At least two siblings must be involved in CenterStage in some capacity through the year: dance, private lessons, or a combination of them – cannot include SpringBoard. (*For example, Suzie takes Ballet but Jimmy takes Drum lessons*).
3. Monthly tuition must meet or exceed \$111.00 a month.
4. Must submit a record of excellent attendance from the 2023-2024 dance year. Attendance records can be obtained by emailing [info@performcenterstage.com](mailto:info@performcenterstage.com). UpLift **will not** take into consideration absences due to any outside activity or obligation, including school activities.
5. No minimum on class enrollments.
6. Must have paid all tuition payments on time for 2023–2024 dance year. **No exceptions.**
7. Must pay all tuition payments on time for the 2024-2025 dance year. **No exceptions.**
8. Must submit a one-page essay explaining why they love to perform, what their goals are for the 2024-2025 year, what they expect their monthly tuition at CS to be for the 2024 – 2025 season, and any other relevant information on why a scholarship is needed.
9. Must receive a letter of reference for each student enrolled in the 2024 – 2025 season from CenterStage instructors for being respectful in class and showing dedication to their craft. Students should reach out to instructors before their application is submitted. As the Director of CenterStage, Natalie Hudson cannot write a letter of reference for a student.
10. It is strongly encouraged, but not required, that a family also include a photo of their students together.
11. **Must have turned in a completed application by the established deadline: August 1, 2024. No exceptions.**
12. **Applications lacking a record of attendance, proof of enrollment, essay, and/or letter of reference will not be considered.**

## Contact Information

Applicants must email their applications to Amy Moffett with UpLift at [amy@weareuplift.com](mailto:amy@weareuplift.com). For any questions about scholarship criteria, please contact CenterStage. **Any applications submitted to CenterStage (in lieu of UpLift) will not be considered.**

## Selection

The selection of the recipients will be made by the Moffetts and their UpLift staff.

## Presentation

To be announced via email to the recipients only on August 15th, 2024.

## Purpose

To allow students who may not otherwise be able to afford the opportunity to dance. To reward a student who has been an outstanding participant of the dance program at CenterStage, and to enrich their experience for the upcoming year.