

# WORLD LINE DANCE NEWSLETTER

## DANCE CLASS ETIQUETTE

**by Sue Ann Ehmann (with additions from the World Line Dance Newsletter Facebook group's responses.)**

- 1. Communicate with the instructor.**
  - a. If you need a step repeated/reviewed please ask the instructor, not the person beside you.**
    - i. It is confusing and disruptive when more than one person is giving instructions.**
    - ii. If you see someone struggling (or if someone asks you to show them something) feel free to ask the instructor for a repeat. (They may be too shy to ask the instructor).**
    - iii. Don't make suggestions or try to teach while the instructor is teaching a dance.**
- 2. Keep conversation to a minimum during class.**
  - a. I won't teach while you talk, if you won't talk while I teach.**
  - b. If you do talk, please keep your voices low.**
- 3. When a dance is being taught don't throw in fancy turns & variations.**
  - a. Be supportive of those just learning and keep it "vanilla."**
- 4. Know your own dance.**
  - a. This way mistakes by others will not "mess you up."**
- 5. If you arrive late . . .**
  - a. Take a spot at the end of a row.**
  - b. Pick up what you have missed when it is repeated.**
- 6. Cell phones.**
  - a. Feel free to answer your phone (it could be an emergency).**
  - b. If you do receive a call, please step away from the dance floor to take it.**

7. No strong perfume.
8. Respect others' dance space.
9. Wear appropriate shoes.

#### **ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:**

When you're standing in a perfect row an arm's length away on each please don't squeeze in to be next to your friend.

If you are sick – stay home!

When the instructor is teaching, don't throw in your fancy turns & variations. If you already know the dance be supportive of those just learning & keep it "vanilla."

Please don't carry on loud conversations on the floor or sidelines while the instructor is teaching.

Don't teach someone while the instructor is teaching the dance.

When the instructor is teaching...don't go ahead of the Instructor, showing that you already know the next steps of the dance. It is distracting to others.

No drinks on the floor.

I have included this in the FILES section on the World Line Dance Newsletter Facebook Group and Stacy has included it in the TIPS FOR TEACHERS section on the site at this link (TIPS FOR TEACHERS):

<http://worldlinedancenewsletter.com/info-teachers.html>