**Grand Squares Beginner Mainstream Square Dance Lessons**

Our caller teaches a series of lessons that cover the 68 mainstream movements required to be certified as a Mainstream Square Dancer. After completing the program, our students will be eligible to participate in any mainstream square dance they choose.

Ten lessons will begin on Friday, June 7, and continue through Friday, August 23, along with 2 Saturday workshops. Below are the attendance dates to which you must commit in order to graduate and become a member:

  **10 Friday Lessons**

Friday, June 7 7:30 – 9:30pm – New Hope Baptist Church

Friday, June 14 7:30 – 9:30pm – New Hope Baptist Church

Friday, June 21 7:30 – 9:30pm – New Hope Baptist Church

Friday, June 28 7:30 – 9:30pm – New Hope Baptist Church

Friday, July 5 **SKIP: Happy 4th!**

Friday, July 12 7:30 – 9:30pm – New Hope Baptist Church

Friday, July 19 7:30 – 9:30pm – New Hope Baptist Church

Friday, July 26 7:30 – 9:30pm – New Hope Baptist Church

Saturday, July 27 **9:00am-3:00pm Workshop** –New Hope Baptist Church

Friday, August 2 7:30 – 9:30pm – New Hope Baptist Church

Friday, August 9 7:30 – 9:30pm – New Hope Baptist Church

Saturday, August 10 **9:00am-3:00pm Workshop** –New Hope Baptist Church

Friday, August 16 7:30 – 9:30pm – New Hope Baptist Church

Friday, August 23 **GRADUATION** (Not a lesson)

 **7:30 -- 10:00pm** – New Hope Baptist Church

**2 Saturday workshops**

We will offer a lunch for a small fee or you can bring your own.

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**About the Lessons:**

These lessons are for those 12 years of age and older.

11 years old students, partnering with a parent, for the duration of the lessons are welcomed as well. (Partnering parents will pay half price; $50 + $10 insurance/ state fees, totaling $60.)

These actual lessons progress through a series of complicated steps that follow a standard curriculum. For this reason, once a commitment has been made, you must make every effort to attend each lesson. The advancement of the entire square depends upon individual members being present and prepared.

The 68 movements we learn are typically taught over the course of 1 year. However, our caller has agreed to accelerate the program to accommodate a young adult’s desire to be challenged and to avoid the conflicts a year-long program would include. This quick paced instruction allows us to offer you a complete course in a short amount of time.

**Attendance is mandatory for all lessons**, however, we do realize that unforeseen circumstances may arise which could prevent you from attending one or two lessons. Therefore, the following absentee guidelines have been established to ensure mastery of the program in order to graduate as a Mainstream Dancer:

(1) First absence - student will be allowed to miss without make-up,

(2) Second absence – student will be required to watch an on-line video of the missed calls.

**The cost of the lessons** will be $100 per student, plus $10 for state fees and insurance costs; a total of $110.

Parent couples, who have a teen dancer, will be able to take lessons **free**. Each parent will, however, need to pay $10 for insurance and state dues, totaling only $20 for a parent couple.

Parents partnering with an 11year old dancer will pay $50 tuition plus the $10 for state fees and insurance; a total of $60.

The fee is capped at a maximum of $300 per family + $10 per family member for insurance & state dues.

 Most of these funds go directly to our caller to pay for the lessons. The remainder covers facility usage and graduation dance arrangements.

**Enrollment Requirements**:

 Members shall:

1. Be a minimum of twelve (12) years of age.
2. Be a minimum of eleven (11) years of age if partnering with a parent for the duration of the lessons or until the student is 12 years old.
3. Sign an acknowledgement of having read Grand Squares Statement of Christian Faith.
4. Pay the full amount due at registration and return the signed Membership Commitment, Emergency Form, and Statement of Faith.

\*Deadline to register is June 14, 2019. Please make your check payable to Grand Squares and mail, or deliver, to DeAnna Stewart, 12043 Lismore Lake Dr, Cypress, TX 77429

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 **Grand Squares Dress Code**

Girls:

* Shorts must be near the knee
* No sleeveless tops or tank tops
* No cleavage on anyone, anywhere
* No undergarments may be visible (no see-thru shirts)
* Skirts near top of knee, shorts should always be worn under skirts
* All square dance skirts and dresses are ok
* No shirts with offensive language, imagery, or bad words (of course!)

Guys:

* Shorts must be to the knee
* No cleavage guys
* No sleeveless tops
* No undergarments may be visible
* No shirts with offensive language, imagery, or bad words (of course!)

Remember everyone, we are here to dance so you will be spinning and twirling.

Be sure that you come prepared to show off your dancing, not anything else!

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**Statement of Faith**

We affirm these tenets of Christian theology:

1. The Bible is the inspired and only infallible, authoritative Word of God.

It is the supreme and final authority for all faith and life.

1. Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20-21).
2. God is one Being who eternally exists as three Persons - Father, Son and Holy Spirit; all of the Persons are equal in power and glory.

(Matthew 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14).

1. Jesus Christ is fully God and fully man (John 1: 1, 14),

He was born of a virgin (Matthew 1: 18),

and was sinless in His life (Hebrews 4:15);

He died on the cross as a substitute for sinful men (Hebrews 9:15);

He rose bodily from the grave (John 20:1-9, 24-3 1; Acts 2:24)

and now reigns with the Father (Acts 2:33; Hebrews10:12);

He will return visibly and personally to the earth both in salvation and judgment

(Acts 1:1 1; Hebrews 9:28; Matthew 24--30).

1. All humans are sinful by nature (Romans 3:23- 5:12) and can only be forgiven by the expression of trust in Jesus Christ as Savior (John 3:16, Romans 10:9), the repentance of sin (Acts 3:19), and brought about by the regenerating work of the Holy Spirit (Titus 3:5-7).

5. We believe in the continuing ministry of the Holy Spirit who indwells the Christian enabling us to live a godly life (Romans 8:1-17)

For more information call DeAnna Stewart at (832)349-5450

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**Emergency Medical Authorization Form**

**\*Return to Grand Squares\***

**Participant:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Parent name (if under 18):** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***Purpose****: To enable parents / guardians to authorize emergency treatment in case of illness or injury while attending a Grand Squares event. This would only be used in the event that the parent(s) or emergency contact could not be reached.*

**Student medical conditions or allergies that we may need to be aware of:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Student Signature (if 18 or over) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature (if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Please Write NEATLY and Return to Grand Squares**

I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(parent of student) have read and understand the Commitment to Participate in the Mainstream Square Dance Lessons. Please find enclosed my check/ cash (circle one) for $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

$100 New member fee

$10 Insurance / State dues

$20 t-shirt (optional)

**$ Total**

**Contact Info:**

**Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Contact Email:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Best Contact Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**I have read and affirm the Grand Squares Statement of Faith AND Dress Code:**

Signed: Parent \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signed: Student \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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