

Prior Lake Dance Team Booster Club

Welcome to the PLDT Booster Club. As a parent or guardian of a PLDT dancer, you are also a member of our Booster Club. Below is some information that we hope you will find helpful.

Our Mission:

It is the mission of the Prior Lake Dance Team Booster Club to support and enhance the Prior Lake Dance Team program while providing a positive experience for our dancers, our families, and our coaches. It is the goal of the PLDT Coaching Staff to make our teams/squads the best they can possibly be, and it is the job of our Booster Club to support the PLDT program as a whole.

Our Responsibilities:

- Raise and manage funds to enhance and expand the Prior Lake Dance Team program.
- Coordinate community involvement and volunteer activities for our dancers and their families.
- Provide support for our athletes, coaches, and families in order for all our squads to reach their highest potential.
- Create a welcoming atmosphere for all athletes, coaches, families, spectators, and guests of the Prior Lake Dance Team.

What We Do Not Do:

- We do not make any decisions regarding coaching or dancer placement. Any questions regarding coaching should go directly to the coaching staff.
- We are not a “complaint department”. We know that questions and concerns will come up throughout the season and when they do we ask that you calmly bring them to our attention. We will do our best to get you an answer.
- The PLDT Booster Club is in place to support the Prior Lake Dance Team. We do not override the monetary requests made by the coaching staff. Our coaches decide what they need and want for our dancers and then the Booster Club determines the best way, if possible, to provide those wants and needs.

Contact Information:

Head Coach: Madeson Stalmer

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Communication:

All information coming from the PLDT coaches and/or Booster Club will be emailed from pldtcoaches@gmail.com or pldanceteam@gmail.com. We do not share our email contact list. We have found that it is best to keep all information coming from one source.

There is a closed group on Facebook called PLDT Parents/Guardians. We use it exactly the same way the girls use their page to communicate with each other. There are also Band groups for parents/dancers to help with getting information and reminders out quickly. These group pages are a great way to share information and ask questions that would be helpful to all parents and guardians. These groups are not required (we know not everyone has or wants a Facebook account) it is just a place to get additional information.

You can also find general team information on the PLDT website located on the Prior Lake High School activities/athletics page.

Fundraising:

In order to support and grow the PLDT, we need to make sure that we have the funds to cover the costs of running and improving the program. All of the money that it takes to run the winter dance program comes from the generous donations of our sponsors and from our fundraising efforts. The dance account pays for costumes (our biggest expense), assistant and B-squad coaching staff, invite entry fees, costs associated with hosting meets, extra instruction fees, team bonding costs, etc. Basically, anything that benefits the PLDT as a whole is paid for by the Booster Club.

We are always open to new fundraising ideas. If you have an idea, and are willing to head it up, we would love to hear about it. Every bit counts!

Volunteering: We rely heavily on our parents/guardians and other family members to help out and volunteer. This is challenging in everyone's busy lives, so we are appreciative of the time that everyone gives in order to make the PLDT better. The time that you volunteer is essential in making the PLDT the best that it can be! There are so many ways to help out, both at events and behind the scenes. Look for the sign-ups as they come out or ask what you can do to help. It really is fun, it's a great way to meet other parents and guardians, and most importantly, it benefits our dancers.

Thank you in advance for your help with the Prior Lake Dance Team Booster Club. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask. Working together we will make this another great