

ASHLYNN KENNEDY, Instructor

Ashlynn Kennedy began dancing in Wichita, Kansas at the age of five and began her training at Midwest Dance Mechanix at age 10. While at MDM, Ashlynn was a dual member of both the Competition Team and the En Avant Youth Ballet Company, where she was recognized as Dancer of the Year in 2018. With a passion for ballet, Ashlynn competed at the Youth America Grand Prix for four consecutive years where she was honored to be invited by a judge to join Colorado Ballet's summer program and year round training program. Ashlynn has been accepted into many summer intensives including American Ballet Theatre, Joffrey Ballet, Ballet Austin, Colorado Ballet, and Kansas City Ballet. She auditioned for Ballet Austin's Artistic Director, Stephen Mills, and was accepted to train at their Summer Intensive for three weeks where she took classes from the Company members and artistic staff. After graduating high school, Ashlynn began her career journey at Butler Community College where she obtained an Associates Degree of Science in Exercise Science. She continued her education at Hutchinson Community College where she graduated with an Associates Degree of Applied Science in Physical Therapist Assistant and became a licensed Physical Therapist Assistant.

After having personally experienced physical challenges that prevented her from a professional dance career, Ashlynn plans to merge her passion for dance with her passion for physical therapy and ultimately hopes to help dancers condition their bodies for the physical demands of dance. She is thrilled to share her knowledge and love of dance with the MDM family.

INSTRUCTS: Tiny Dancers, Ballet, Pointe/Pre-Pointe, Jazz, Strength & Conditioning