

SAGE Square and Round Dance Club
Policy for Determining Successful Completion of
Mainstream Lesson Series

The SAGE Square and Round Dance Club provides instruction in square dancing to new students in keeping with its goal of encouraging the growth of square dancing in the community. Instruction will be provided by the Club Caller with assistance from experienced dancers who are available to dance with students during class workshops. The Club Caller will recognize those students who may be having difficulty learning and should advise the class coordinator if a potential problem exists. That student can then be encouraged to use all of the resources for review between classes, and/or to get extra dance practice by attending a workshop at the same level at another club. They can also repeat the class from the beginning at the start of a new series. The Club wishes to take all reasonable steps to retain each student and to help them learn the required calls.

SAGE graduates class members who dance at the Club level or who are expected to dance at the Club level (Mainstream Program – 67 calls) soon. The Class Coordinator, in consultation with the Caller and the President or class angels, determines who will graduate a few weeks before the end of each class series. Graduates are then welcome to join SAGE as a Club member and should be ready to dance comfortably at any dance called at the Mainstream level.

Occasionally a student may have significant difficulty in learning the calls required for any dance program. If, in the Board's opinion in consultation with the Caller, a student is not performing at a level which will lead to becoming a MS Level dancer at the close of the class, or is causing the other students to be held back in progressing through the required call list, the Board will ask the class coordinator to instruct the dancer that they are welcome to watch and learn for the remainder of the class series and resume active participation at the beginning of a new class series. If that student has paid in advance for classes, the fee for any unused portion of the series will be refunded.

This Policy is adopted by the SAGE Square and Round Dance Board of Directors this 18th day of July, 2023.

President

Secretary