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YMCA-YWCA SCHOOL OF DANCE: THE DANCE KONNECTION 2020-2021 NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2021 SOUTE NEWS

Hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and your New Year was blessed. Thank you so much from all my staff and myself for the wonderful gifts, cards and well wishes. We are blessed everyday to be able to share our joy of dance with every young lady and man who crosses our dance studio. They are all wonderful and talented young people.

As the New Year is now here, you know what that means!!! We are in RECITAL mode!!! With only 18 weeks or so until recital, we have a lot to do!!!

***Remember, in case of bad weather, you should listen to KIX 101.1 or you may call the Horne-Henry Center **after 2:00 p.m.** to see if dance classes have been cancelled. I will try and post on the Dance Konnection Facebook page and try to get an email out too.

Please remember to call or email the dance office if your child will not be in class. If your dancer misses dance class for 2 weeks in a row without a call we will be contacting you to see where they are.

Recital Tights and Accessories: In a few weeks a list and order form for recital tights and accessories will be sent home with your dancer. Please note the deadline date February 11th!!! That is the deadline!!! If you don't get them turned in on time you will be paying double if not triple what we get them for. I buy in bulk so we get them for a minimal as price possible, yet still cover tax, time, and shipping. We like for all our dancers to look uniform. If you have stuff from last year and it's what they need and is in good shape by all means use those. No need to buy more! This is also on the form, but just so you hear it more than once: IF YOUR DANCER'S EARS ARE NOT PIERCED AND THEY NEED TO WEAR EARRINGS, THEY CAN NOT WEAR CLIP ON. THERE IS ALSO NO NEED TO GO GET YOUR DANCER'S EARS PIERCED THAT IS YOUR OWN PERSONAL DECISION. If they do have pierced ears and they need to wear them for their costume, please purchase them. If your dancer has jewelry allergies, you will either need to coat your jewelry with clear fingernail polish or find similar jewelry that will not make them break out.

Costume money The remaining balance for your costume is due **On Or Before January 15, 2021**. On January 16, 2021 a late fee

Dates To Remember:

January 4-Classes Resume

January 15-Final Costume Payment DUE

February 11- Tights/Accessories Forms and Money DUE

April 16 & 17-Dance Pictures

April 24-Tentatively- KaMotion Recital & Acro Demonstration

May 7 & 8- Recital

Dress Code:

Ballet 1,2,3,4,5, & 6

Black leotard (any style), pink tights, ballet skirt, pink split sole ballet shoes.

Hair- in a bun or pulled back in a ponytail.

Dance Objective of the month- Performance

Dance Rule of the month - Never hang or lean on the Barre.

will be added to your costume balance if not paid in full. Statements are sent out the 1st of each month. If outstanding balance is not paid 30 days after posted transaction date a 3% late charges is added per month. Please make checks payable to The Dance Konnection and turn payment into the dance office.

Props- If anyone is interested in helping build props for our spring recital please let me know ASAP. We will start in Jan. The sooner it gets done the better. Your talents are needed- a lot!!!

Parent/Tot Class: This class is geared towards toddlers, 18 months to 3 year olds, and the special adult in his or her life. It is designed to help students feel comfortable learning in a group setting. Activities will include dance games, playing instruments, and singing songs while having fun together. Learn new and creative ways to enjoy music and dance. This class will be in three 6 week sessions Dates will be announced soon.

Please keep on the lookout for days and times to be posted as to when these classes will begin.

***\$35.00 per session for those registering for all three sessions up front.**

Spring Dance Recital: May 7 and 8, 2021 Which night will you dance?????

SPRING 2021 RECITAL SCHEDULE: Classes perform on the following nights in the Spring Recital May 7th and 8th, 2021.

The following classes will dance on Friday, May 7th, 2021:

Monday 4:00-4:45 3-4 year old Ballet & Tap
Monday 4:00-4:45 5-6 year old Ballet & Tap
Monday 4:45-5:30 4-5 year old Ballet & Tap
Monday 4:45-5:30 5-6 year old Ballet & Tap
Tuesday 2:00-2:45 5-6 year old Ballet & Tap
Tuesday 2:45-3:30 7-8 year old Ballet & Tap
Tuesday 5:00-5:45 7-8 year old Ballet & Tap

The following classes will dance on Saturday, May 8th, 2021:

Tuesday 4:00-4:45 3-4 year old Ballet & Tap
Tuesday 4:15-5:00 5-6 year old Ballet & Tap
Tuesday 5:45-6:30 3-4 year old Ballet & Tap
Wednesday 4:30-5:15 4-5 year old Ballet & Tap
Wednesday 4:30-5:15 7-8 year old Ballet & Tap
Thursday 4:45-5:30 5-6 year old Ballet & Tap
Thursday 5:30-6:15 7-8 year old Ballet & Tap

Baxter-

Thursday 4:00-4:45 3-4 year old Ballet & Tap
Thursday 4:45-5:30 5-6 year old Ballet & Tap
Thursday 5:30-7:00 7-9 year old Ballet & Tap

The following classes will dance in multiple shows:

Jazz 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8 9
Tap 1,2,3,4,5,6, 7
Clogging 1,2, 3
Boys Classes

January Birthdays:

Avery Case
Katelyn Peck
Lily Marquess
Tim Benson
Aubree Garcia
Stella Eicher
Kerington O'Shea
Sophie Kensler
Madelyn Seltman
Rachel Schiebel
Savanna Fogle
Evelyn Bonzer
Mattea Wright
Ravyn Neal
Piper Pietig
Reece Craighton
Hailey Wooldridge

Ballet 1,2,3,4,5

Pointe 1,2,3, 4

Modern 1, 2, 3

Musical Theater 1 & 2

Baxter: 10-12 year olds

The following classes DO NOT dance in Spring Recital:

Ballet Technique

Parent/Tot Dance

Dancer's Conditioning

All Acrobatics Classes

Ka-Motion Classes

Progressive Ballet Technique

PLEASE NOTE: If you have dancers performing in both nights of recital you MUST purchase tickets for both nights. There are no discounted or free tickets. If you have more than one dancer in your family that is recommended for any of the above listed classes and would like them to dance on the same night please choose classes that allow them to do so. This schedule is for your benefit.

Costumes will be arriving daily from now until early April. Miss Kimi will try on all the costumes on the dancers and check for any issues and all the pieces are included before she will send them home. If there is an issue she will keep the costume and get it taken care of. **NOTE:** from the moment the costume gets handed over to your dancer or your care any missing pieces or costume issues i.e.: holes, etc. will be your issues to take care of. Please feel free to contact Kimi and she may be able to help you resolve the issue.

Please remember to put your child's names in **ALL** shoes and dancewear!!!! **Parents:** Your students need to look in their dance bags to make sure they have all of their shoes. We have **MANY** shoes in our Lost and Found so if they are yours please come and claim them!

Acro Demonstration!!! For any Acro student that would be interested, this year we will be holding an Acro demonstration that will take place on Saturday April 24th at the Henry Horne Center (new Y building) in the gym. Our theme this year will be Acro-cadabra!!!! This will be the time for our Acro students to show all their advancements they have made in class this year. We will have more information to follow shortly but we want to make sure that you mark your calendars now! There will be a minimal cost for each acro student participating. There will be a sign up list located outside of the dance studio on the bulletin board, please sign your dancer up if they will be participating in the demonstration.

This year we were able to make donations to following for 2020:

A donation of over \$1600.00 went to United way- Marshalltown from our Christmas Extravaganza.

Christmas T Shirt money in the amount of over \$180.00 went to the Marshalltown YMCA YWCA School of Dance Scholarship

NHSDA made donations to the following: ringing the bell for the Salvation Army for several days prior to the holidays. A food drive was held weekly at the dance studio during the months of November & December with over 125 items being delivered to the House of Compassion, Marshalltown Food Bank and Baxter Food Bank.

It was a wonderful year of being able to give back!!!