

# KDC DECEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

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## HELLO AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

The holidays are quickly approaching, and we have been working very hard on perfecting the steps and combinations that are sure to be in future recital dances. 😊 Many of our Competition level dancers have already completed and are beginning to clean their dances so they are ready for competition season. Many of our recital classes have already begun their dances, and our preschool classes will be starting theirs after the holidays.

## HOLIDAY HOPE 2023!

As many of you know, this time of the year can be difficult for so many people. Kelley's Dance Craze and the NHSDA program wanted to help make a difference in our community.

We reached out to the Walled Lake School district about helping a family in need for the holidays, and were granted an amazing opportunity to help out a local family.

This is for a single Mom and her 3 young children (two daughters ages 3 and 5, and 10 year old son).

We've created 2 separate links to shop from (so there are no duplicates) with their needs, and any special requests for the holiday season. This will allow you the options to shop online, or in person.

Target Wishlist: <https://www.target.com/gift-registry/gift/kdcholidayhope>

Amazon Wishlist: [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/V5C8Y2BFWVBH?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/V5C8Y2BFWVBH?ref=wl_share)

Please do not wrap any items- that is something our NHSDA program will be doing as we sort through everything to know who it's for.

Anyone can donate- it is not limited to our studio. We just want to give this family an amazing Christmas they'll never forget.

**All donations can be dropped off at the studio from December 1-21.**

We thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity with donations for this local family!

### **PARENTS' NIGHT OUT (HOLIDAY THEME, DECEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup>)**

Miss Kelley and Miss Bri, along with our student assistants, will be hosting a holiday themed Parents' Night Out on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-8:00 pm. Ages 3-11 are welcome, \$20 per child (does not have to be a KDC student). More details will be posted on our social media pages and website and were already sent out in our weekly email.

### **COMPETITION FEES DUE (COMP TEAM ONLY)**

Competition Team fees for ID Dance Competition will be due by December 16<sup>th</sup>. (These fees have already been added to your accounts.)

### **HOLIDAY SPIRIT WEEK**

During the week of Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>- Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup>, we will be having a holiday spirit week at KDC. All staff and students are invited to participate, as we will be taking pictures in each class. Our dress up days are as follows:

Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>- Holiday Bun Day (make your bun festive for the holidays)

Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>- Holiday Sweater Day (wear your favorite holiday sweater/sweatshirt/shirt to class)

Wednesday, December 21<sup>st</sup>- Holiday Colors Day (wear clothing in holiday colors to class)

Thursday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>- Holiday Pajama Day (wear your favorite holiday pajamas to class)

### **COSTUME BALANCES**

Costume balances have been added to all (fall class) accounts (prices vary per costume), and are due by January 15<sup>th</sup>. The balance covers the full costume cost, accessories (if chosen), tights (if required), and a garment bag/hanger. You are welcome to pay your costume balance(s) anytime before the due date, either in person, or through your parent portal if you wish. We will use autopay for everyone else. \*Please note that your costume balance does not include necessary alterations, rhinestones (comp team only), or additional accessories.

## RECITAL COSTUMES/SONGS

All of our beautiful costumes for the 2023-24 dance season have been added to a special book that is on display for everyone to see at the front desk. As costumes arrive (anytime between now and March), we will try them on in class to ensure a proper fit. **Costumes will not go home until costume balances have been paid, all pieces are ready to go home, and necessary alterations have been completed.** Once we have the correct version of their recital song edited for speed, content, and time, it will be sent via email for your child to practice with at home.

## CHECK IN/REMINDER WHERE TO PLACE BELONGINGS

All dancers and any parents/staff should be sanitizing upon entry to the studio to help prevent the spread of covid, or any other illnesses. We have 3 sanitizers located outside of each classroom, sanitizer bottles on each table in the main lobby, and inside of each studio classroom. Dancers exhibiting any kind of cold symptoms should be wearing a mask to protect themselves and others.

We have noticed that quite a few of our students are leaving their belongings all throughout the lobby area, causing others not to have a place to sit while on their dinner or homework break.

PLEASE UTILIZE THE HOOKS AND BENCHES DOWN THE LONG HALLWAY FOR PLACING COATS, SHOES, AND DANCE BAGS, SO WE CAN KEEP OUR LOBBY AREA NEAT AND CLEAN. THANK YOU! 😊

## PLEASE BE SURE YOUR CHILD IS DRESSED PROPERLY FOR THE WEATHER WHEN ENTERING/EXITING THE BUILDING

Over the past few weeks, we have noticed quite a few students entering/exiting the building in just their leotards/dance wear. As the weather continues to get colder, this will put your child at risk for injury. It is important to be dressed properly before class begins (coat/sweatpants over dance clothing) to keep muscles warm and ready for the class ahead.

Walking into frigid temperatures without proper clothing after you've been warmed up in class can lead to both injury and illness. We appreciate your understanding with this matter!

## NEW WINTER CLASSES HAVE BEEN ADDED (JANUARY-JUNE)

Register online or in person before classes begin (January 3<sup>rd</sup>). Be sure to tell your friends and family! \*All classes must meet a minimum of 3 classes to run. \*\*If your child is already attending a fall class, please note that those will continue to run at the same day/time through June. These are the other class options in the case your child wants to add another class to their schedule.

# **WINTER CLASS OPTIONS FOR THE 2023-2024 DANCE SEASON**

## **PRESCHOOL CLASSES (AGE 3-4) \*MUST MEET MINIMUM AGE BY MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup> TO QUALIFY**

WEDNESDAY 5:30-6:00 PM- PRESCHOOL TAP WITH MISS AVA, UNDER THE DIRECTION OF MISS KELLEY  
\$50/MONTH

## **LEVEL 1 CLASSES (AGE 5-6) \*MUST MEET MINIMUM AGE BY MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup> TO QUALIFY**

THURSDAY 5:15-5:45 PM- BALLET 1 WITH MISS CHRISSY, \$50/MONTH

THURSDAY 6:15-6:45 PM- HIP HOP 1 WITH MISS CHRISSY, \$50/MONTH

## **LEVEL 2 CLASSES (AGE 7-8) \*MUST MEET MINIMUM AGE BY MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup> TO QUALIFY**

WEDNESDAY 6:15-6:45 PM- LYRICAL 2 WITH MISS CHRISSY, \$50/MONTH

THURSDAY 6:45-7:15 PM- HIP HOP 2 WITH MISS CHRISSY, \$50/MONTH

## **LEVEL 3 CLASSES (AGE 9-11) \*MUST MEET MINIMUM AGE BY MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup> TO QUALIFY**

MONDAY 5:45-6:30 PM- JAZZ 3 WITH MISS BRI, \$53/MONTH

WEDNESDAY 6:00-6:45 PM- BALLET 3 WITH MISS KYLIE, \$53/MONTH

**LEVEL 4 CLASSES (AGE 12-18) \*MUST MEET MINIMUM AGE BY MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup> TO QUALIFY**

WEDNESDAY 4:00-4:45 PM- TAP 4 WITH MISS KELLEY, \$53/MONTH

**ADULT CLASSES (AGE 18 AND UP) \*MUST MEET MINIMUM AGE BY NOVEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup> TO QUALIFY**

WEDNESDAY 8:00-8:45 PM- ADULT BALLET TECHNIQUE WITH MISS KYLIE, \$53/MONTH

**WATER BOTTLES**

We encourage our students to bring a water bottle to class. We also have water bottles available at the front desk for \$1.

**PLEASE LABEL ALL SHOES/ BRING A DANCE BAG**

All dancer's shoes should be labeled with their name/initials on the INSIDE of the shoe. In the past we have had dancers leave a shoe behind, and have no way to know whose it is without a name or initials to be able to return it to the student. Keeping dance shoes inside of a dance bag will help to keep your child more organized, and less likely to lose a shoe.

**ABSENCES**

If your child is going to be absent due to illness, school events, or for any other reason, please call the front desk and leave us a message right away so we can pass on the news to their teacher(s). 248-313-0326. While we also appreciate emails, I am not always available to pass those messages on (especially on the days I'm teaching), so a phone call would be preferred.

**ADD US ON FACEBOOK, INSTAGRAM, AND YOUTUBE**

If you are an avid user on social media, please add us on Facebook (Kelley's Dance Craze), Instagram (@kelleysdancecraze), and/or You Tube (Kelley's Dance Craze). We post a lot of dance related info, pictures, talk about upcoming events, etc. It's another great way for us to get to know each other outside of the studio ☺ We consider all of you our "dance family"!



## **HOLIDAY GIFT IDEAS FOR YOUR DANCER(S)**

Turning Board/Tap Board

Small, portable dance floor

Yoga Block

Yoga Mat

Thera-bands

Steel or plastic water bottles

Dancewear (any color)

Tights (pink or tan)

Ballet Skirts (no tutus)

Hair accessories (bun maker, hair nets, hair ties, bobby pins)

Dance Bag

Make Up Brushes (older students)

Tickets to a Musical (great for our Musical Theatre Students)

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

KDC would like to acknowledge our staff/students with birthdays in December, and wish them all a very special day:

December 1<sup>st</sup>- Marissa Rates

December 2<sup>nd</sup>- Whitney Burzynski

December 2<sup>nd</sup>- Holly Jones

December 2<sup>nd</sup>- Mandana Nadalizadeh

December 3<sup>rd</sup>- Carmine Marshall

December 6<sup>th</sup>- Alexandra Farrand-Cracknell

December 6<sup>th</sup>- Genevieve (Ginny) Ianni

December 7<sup>th</sup>- Melissa Odolean

December 8<sup>th</sup>- Teighan Brewer

December 9<sup>th</sup>- Letty LaFerner

December 9<sup>th</sup>- Olivia Sanders

December 14<sup>th</sup>- Harley Eagle

December 14<sup>th</sup>- Allison Kurzeja

December 15<sup>th</sup>- Karen Brady

December 17<sup>th</sup>- Amber Koelzer

December 18<sup>th</sup>- Sofia Ivanonkiv

December 19<sup>th</sup>- Emmalyn (Emmy) Halberstadt

December 21<sup>st</sup>- Jacqueline Cracknell

December 30<sup>th</sup>- Mallory Furline

December 31<sup>st</sup>- Sofia Murray

### **DECEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH!**

All 6 of our KDC teachers have nominated 1 Competition Team student and 1 Recital student for December Student of the Month. These dancers have gone above and beyond, demonstrating the qualities we are looking for in student of the month (good attendance, great listening skills, ability to apply corrections, and they show an overall love, dedication, and appreciation for dance. Every student who was nominated will receive a special gift (see the front desk). Congratulations to all of you!

**Ava Boji-** nominated by Miss Gabi

**Gwendolyn Burke-** nominated by Miss Bri

**Lillian (Lou) Corbin-** nominated by Miss Kelley

**Milana Gallozi-** nominated by Miss Kylie

**Alexis Lancaster-** nominated by Miss Dani

**Makayla Lucas-** nominated by Miss Chrissy

**Olivia Morse-** nominated by Miss Kelley

**Bianca Pasquinzo-** nominated by Miss Bri

**Dani Petri-** nominated by Miss Chrissy

**Katelyn Rates-** nominated by Miss Dani

**Iris Wyman-** nominated by Miss Kylie

**Emilia Zygomontowicz-** nominated by Miss Gabi

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

#### **Key event dates for Kelley's Dance Craze (\*highlighted dates apply to our Competition Team only):**

**December 1, 2023:** December Tuition is Due

**December 1, 2023:** December Newsletter will be released

**December 1-7, 2023:** Open Window Week

**December 1-22, 2023:** NHSDA Adopt A Family for Christmas Event

**December 9, 2023:** KDC Competition Team Christmas Party (2:00-7:30)

**December 16, 2023:** ID Dance Competition Fees Due (KDC Comp Team)

**December 16, 2023:** NHSDA Meeting, 12:00-2:00 pm

**December 16, 2023:** Parents' Night Out- Christmas Theme, 5:00-8:00 pm

**December 18-21, 2023:** KDC Holiday Spirit Week

**December 22, 2023- January 2, 2024:** KDC will be closed for Holiday Break

**January 1, 2024:** January Tuition is Due

**January 1, 2024:** Winter Registration is Due for new students

**January 1, 2024:** January Newsletter will be released



**January 1, 2024: Hall of Fame Dance Competition Fees Due (KDC Comp Team)**

**January 3, 2024: Classes Resume**

**January 3, 2024: New Winter Classes Begin**

**January 3, 2024: NHSDA Bottle Drive (during business hours)**

**January 3-9, 2024: Open Window Week**

**January 6, 2024: NHSDA Meeting, 12:00-2:00 pm**

**January 8, 2024: Applause Dance Competition Fees Due (KDC Comp Team)**

**January 12, 2024: Winter Class Registration Ends**

**January 13, 2024: Mandatory Competition Team Rehearsal**

**January 15, 2024: Costume Balances are Due, pricing varies per class**

**January 22, 2024: Ultra Dance Competition Fees Due (KDC Comp Team)**

**January 29- February 2, 2024: Costume Measuring Week for Winter Classes**

**February 1, 2024: February Tuition is Due**

**February 1, 2024: February Newsletter will be released**

**February 1, 2024: Costume Fees Due for Winter Students**

**February 1-7, 2024: Open Window Week**

**February 3, 2024: Mandatory Competition Team Rehearsal and Hair/Makeup Class**

**February 10, 2024: NHSDA Meeting, 12:00-2:00 pm**

**February 10, 2024: Parents' Night Out, Valentine's Day Theme, 5:00-8:00 pm**

**February 12-16, 2024:** KDC Spirit Week

**February 12-16, 2024:** KDC Comp Dancers can't miss classes this week

**February 16-18, 2024:** ID Dance Competition (KDC Comp Team)

**February 26 -March 1, 2024:** KDC Spirit Week

**February 26- March 1, 2024:** KDC Comp dancers can't miss classes

**March 1, 2024:** March Tuition is Due

**March 1, 2024:** March Newsletter will be released

**March 1-3, 2024:** Hall of Fame Dance Competition (KDC Comp Team)

**March 1-7, 2024:** Open Window Week

**March 1-31, 2024:** NHSDA Pet Supply Donation Drive

**March 4-8, 2024:** KDC Spirit Week

**March 4-8, 2024:** KDC Comp dancers can't miss classes

**March 8-10, 2024:** Applause Dance Competition (KDC Comp Team)

**March 18-22, 2024:** KDC Comp dancers can't miss classes

**March 22-24, 2024:** Ultra Dance Competition (KDC Comp Team)

**March 25-29, 2024:** KDC will be Closed for Spring Break

**April 1, 2024:** Classes Resume

**April 1, 2024:** April Tuition is Due

**April 1, 2024:** April Newsletter will be released

**April 1-5, 2024:** Open Window Week

**April 6, 2024:** KDC Picture Day Weekend with Pamela MacIntyre Photography (KDC Comp Team, required)

**April 6-7, 2024:** NHSDA Bake Sale (during Picture Weekend)

**April 7, 2024:** KDC Picture Day Weekend with Pamela MacIntyre Photography (Recital Students, required)

**April 13, 2024:** NHSDA Visit and Drop Off pet supplies to the Humane Society of Huron Valley

**April 13, 2024:** Parents' Night Out- Spring Theme (5:00-8:00 pm)

**April 15, 2024:** Yearbook Ads Are Due

**May 2024 TBA:** NHSDA Car Wash

**May 1, 2024:** May Tuition is Due

**May 1, 2024:** May Newsletter will be released

**May 1, 2024:** Yearbook Fees Are Due

**May 1-7, 2024:** Open Window Week

**May 10, 2024:** Mandatory Comp Team Rehearsal

**May 17, 2024:** ID Nationals Fees Due (KDC Comp Team)

**May 18, 2024:** NHSDA Meeting, 12:00-2:00 pm

**May 20, 2024:** Recital Tickets go on sale for Comp Families, \*a code will be required, 6:00 pm

**May 21, 2024:** Recital Tickets go on sale for all Recital Families, no code required, 6:00 pm

**May 27, 2024:** KDC will be Closed in observance of Memorial Day

**May 28, 2024:** Recital Tickets go on sale to the Public, 12:00 pm

**May 31, 2024:** Informational Competition Team Meeting for all new/interested families, 7:00 pm

**June 1, 2024:** June Tuition is Due

**June 1, 2024:** June Newsletter will be released

**June 3-6, 2024:** Open Window Week

**June 6, 2024:** Last Day of Classes for the 2023-2024 Dance Season

**June 7, 2024:** Mandatory Comp Team Rehearsal

**June 8, 2024:** Mandatory Dress Rehearsal (All Recital Dancers)

**June 9, 2024:** KDC's 6th Annual Recital "From Page To Stage", mandatory for all KDC dancers

**June 14, 2024:** NHSDA End of the Year Picnic, 12:00-3:00 pm, Spring Mill Pond

**June 14, 2024:** Last Day to Register for "Fantasy Land Camp" (Age 3-4)

**June 24-28, 2024:** KDC Summer Camp, Theme- "Fantasy Land" for ages 3-4

**June 28, 2024:** Last Day to Register for "Under the Sea" Camp (Age 5-6)

**July 1, 2024:** July Tuition is Due

**July 1, 2024:** July Newsletter will be released

**July 5, 2024:** Last Day to Register for the KDC Competition Readiness Program

**July 8-12, 2024:** KDC Summer Camp, Theme- "Under the Sea" for ages 5-6

**July 12, 2024:** Last Day to Register for "Out Of This World" Camp (Age 7-9)

**July 9-30, 2024:** KDC Competition Readiness Program (on Tuesdays for 4 weeks)

**July 17-21, 2024:** ID Nationals (KDC Comp Team Seniors)

**July 19, 2024:** Last Day to Register for “Summer Fun” Camp (Age 10-18)

**July 22-26, 2024:** KDC Summer Camp, Theme- “Out of This World” for ages 7-9

**July 29- August 2, 2024:** KDC Summer Camp, Theme- “Summer Fun” for ages 10-18

**August 1, 2024:** August Tuition is Due

**August 1, 2024:** August Newsletter will be released

**August 2, 2024:** Last Day to Register for the KDC Summer Intensive/Auditions

**August 5-8, 2024:** Week 1 of the KDC Summer Intensive

**August 9, 2024:** KDC Jazz Line Auditions

**August 12-15, 2024:** Week 2 of the KDC Summer Intensive

**August 16, 2024:** KDC 2024-2025 Team Auditions

**August 17, 2024:** KDC 2024-2025 Team Announcement

**August 19-23, 2024:** Individual Meeting with Competition Families

**August 26-30, 2024:** Individual Meetings with Competition Families

**September 1, 2024:** Annual Registration Fee is Due

**September 1, 2024:** September Tuition is Due

**September 2, 2024:** KDC is Closed in observance of Labor Day

**September 3, 2024:** KDC is Closed to the Public due to a meeting

**September 3, 2024:** Mandatory KDC Competition Team Meeting, 6:00 pm

**September 3, 2024:** KDC Competition Team Contract Signing, Commitment Fee due, and Big/Little Sister Reveal

**September 4, 2024:** First Day of Classes for the 2024-2025 Dance Season

**We are looking forward to continuing an awesome year with you and your child! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email me anytime.**

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