

**Steppin' Out Dance Centre**  
**March 2024**  
**Newsletter**

**Recital T-Shirts:**

Order are still being taken for our new Recital T-Shirts! They are \$25 (incl. tax). Get them while they last! We will be wearing these for our finale number! Stop into the office or email the studio to pre-order yours now!

**April Vacation:**

There will be no regular classes held from Monday, April 15th through Saturday, April 20th during school vacation.

**Recital Pictures:**

Recital Pictures will be held on Saturday, May 11th for all regular classes and Thursday, May 9th for all Performance Teams. Both will be held at the Elks Lodge in Saco. Picture times will be emailed and posted soon!

**Recital Info and Tickets:**

This year, our Recital theme is "As Seen on TV" and it will be held on Saturday, June 8th at the Sanford Performing Arts Center. We will be having a Morning and an Afternoon show. Dress rehearsal for both shows will be held on Friday, June 7th. Recital Programs will be emailed and posted in our lobby in April to let you know which number(s) your child is in.

Tickets will go on sale next month! More specific information about ticket sales will be included in our April newsletter including date and time of initial ticket sales. Tickets are \$15 each. There is a limit of 8 tickets at initial purchase. Additional tickets will be released once the majority of dancers have made their ticket purchase. DON'T WAIT to purchase your tickets as last year our morning show SOLD OUT! Please remember that all accounts must be current in order to purchase tickets. Everyone entering the auditorium must have a ticket. Children and dancers under 3 years old do not need a ticket if they are sitting on a parents lap. All other dancers are welcome to sit in the cafe and watch the show on the big screen TV.

**Speciality Numbers - Open to all Dancers and Their Families:**

We will be having practices for our speciality numbers starting in April/May. These include Mother/Daughter/Son Clogging, Father/Daughter and Men's Number, Family Funk and Alumni Jazz/Hip Hop. There will be a separate handout with the April Newsletter with practice times. Please sign up in the dancewear store so we know who is participating in the shows. There is a \$20 family fee to be paid at sign up.

**Costumes, Tights, and Shoes:**

We are getting costume shipments daily and a lot of costumes are waiting to be picked up in our office. In addition to these costumes, dancers will also need the appropriate color tights and shoes. These specifics are listed on the parent portal as well as the pictures of this year's costumes for each class. If you need shoes or tights for Recital, please speak to the office staff as soon as possible to order yours so you have them in time for our June Recital.

**Elite Performance Challenge and NECC**

Our Teen and Sr Hip Hop and Jazz Teams, Jr and Sr Contemporary Teams, Sr Competitive Team, Sr Acrobatics Team and Musical Theatre Team will be competing at Elite Performance Challenge in Sanford on March 16th and 17th. All of our Clogging Performance Teams will be participating and competing in the Northeast Clogging Competition and Convention in Nashua, NH on April 5th and 6th. Wish all of our dancers good luck at these upcoming competitions!

**Summer Dance Camps and 5 Week Summer Dance Session:**

Keep a lookout for our Summer 2024 dance camps and class schedule. We will be releasing it soon!