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January 6, 2020

Dear Parents and Students:

Happy New Year and welcome back to classes. I hope that all of you had a wonderful Holiday.

It's now January and time to think about Spring Recital. Though I am still waiting on a date for the high auditorium for recital, I should have more info soon. This week we will begin to measure the students for their costumes. I always measure "bigger" than what the students actually are so that when they grow between now and the show the costumes will still fit them. All costumes are **pecially made to order and cannot be canceled or returned**. Along with your lesson fees, a \$40.00 deposit is due, the first week of this month, per costume that your child will be wearing. The balance is due of the week of **January 20, 2020**. They need one main costume per one hour class that they take. The total amount due per class for this costume is \$83.74 including tax (\$79+\$4.74). If they are in any class older than Pre-school level they will be participating in the group opening number and they will be wearing a t-shirt based costume along with a pair of black dance pants (that you provide and most of you already have). There is an additional cost of \$19.08, including tax, for this costume. Paying the deposit constitutes that you are giving permission for Miss Dee's School of Dance to order your child's costume and promises payment of the Balance by the week of Jan. 20, 2020. Costumes are non-refundable and non-cancelable. The reason that we have to order so early is that it takes between 8 - 15 weeks for the costumes to be made and shipped to us. Costumes come mostly assembled and ready to wear. If you participated in the fall fundraiser, your earnings have been applied to your costume balance. Recital is a wonderful experience and your child will love their moment under the bright lights in their bright sparkly costume.

Here at MDSD we believe in not only teaching our students the art and discipline of dance but to have strong leadership skills and to be a good steward of the community. We are going to reinforce these behaviors of helping others by having a "Dancers Making A Difference" event. This month we are having a non-perishable food drive. All month long we will be collecting non perishable food items to be donated to Greenville's local food pantry. For every item you bring in you will be entered into a drawing for a free recital t-shirt. I look forward to this venture with you and helping our students help our community.

The weather is now getting colder and that means that the studio will be cooler. Please remember that we DO NOT ALLOW the students to wear baggy clothing over their leotards. They may wear a snug fitting dance jacket, sweater or shrug, leg warmers or a fitted turtle neck under their leotard. The rule is that any clothing may not be any looser than 1 inch away from the body. All students must wear dance attire including proper footwear if applicable to class. If you have questions as to what type of clothing this is, you can refer to the dress code flyer that you received in your packet at the beginning of the year or ask Miss Dee. The only exception to this rule is if Miss Dee has posted an extreme cold weather notice. In this case students may wear sweats. This means on days when the temperature outside is extremely cold bring sweats with you. With more cold and snow on the way please remember that if weather is bad and we will not be having classes you will receive an email (if you are on the email list) or it will be listed on WOOD TV Channel 8. It will also be posted on our Face book page. If you are in doubt if there is class please call the studio.

This month's Students of the Month are Annabelle Grover and Samara Raymond. Both of these students are great students who are really excited about dance classes.

I'm looking forward to another great year. See you in class.

Thank you;

Miss Dee