

March Newsletter

Recital Tickets

Tickets for the 2024 recitals will go on sale on Monday, March 25th at 9:00 am. Reserved seating tickets are \$18 each. Children 3 and under and sitting on your lap do not need a ticket. More information regarding ticket sales will be sent as the date approaches.

Recital Costumes

As costumes begin to arrive, we will try them on in class. However, no costumes will go home until after Spring Break. You can view your dancer's costumes in the 2024 Costume Look Book.

Recital Choreography

Recital choreography will begin this month! Videos of steps and choreography and links to edited music will be posted in each class's <u>Dance Express Google Drive</u> and in the Parent Portal. Info-->Documents & Files section. You can also find important studio information and newsletters in both places.

Dance Attire/Shoes

Dancewear--We have seen an increase in dancers NOT wearing the proper dancewear. Please be sure your dancer is wearing appropriate dancewear. Oversized shirts, loose pants and hanging hair will not be tolerated! Leotard and tights or leggings and a tight tank/camisole are required for all dancers.

Shoes--Please be sure your child has proper fitting shoes in the correct color by the recital. Little feet grow quickly and several dancers have shoes that are too small. Please check the chart below to confirm what color shoes your dancer needs.

Watch Week

We will have one final watch week next week, March 4th-9th. One adult is welcome to stay in the dance room and watch class during this week. Please do not bring siblings to watch week.

Attendance

We can't stress enough the importance of good attendance. As we are approaching the recital, it is imperative that all HEALTHY students be present at class each week. It is difficult to choreograph without everyone present so please do not miss unless the dancer is contagious.

Recital Dates

The dance recital has been set for Saturday, April 27th at **Bishop Brossart in Alexandria**, **KY**. To keep the shows at a reasonable length, **we will be having TWO DIFFERENT shows--one at 10:00am and one at 1:30pm.**

- All 30 minute, 45 minute, and 60 minute classes will perform in one show. (Siblings will be in the same show)
- Classes longer than 1 hour and dance team group dances will perform in both shows. (Solos, Duos, Small Groups-see DT Newsletter regarding recital performances.)

Dress rehearsal will take place at the studio during the week leading up to the recital. Please see the chart below to determine what show your child's is in. Additional recital information will be sent in the March newsletter.

10:00 am Show	1:30 pm Show
Monday 4:30-6:00	Monday 4:30-6:00
Tuesday 4:30-5:45	Monday 6:00-7:00
Tuesday 7:30-8:30	Tuesday 4:30-5:45
Thursday 4:30-5:15	Wednesday 5:00-6:00
Saturday 9:30-10:00	Wednesday 6:00-6:45
Saturday 10:00-10:45	Wednesday 7:30-8:30
Blue Team	Blue Team
Pink Team	Pink Team
Silver Team	Silver Team

Recital Volunteers

Volunteers are very important part of our recital. The recital is a large production with many children involved and requires the help of many volunteers. Volunteers will be backstage for the duration of the show; however, you will be able to watch your dancer from the wings of the stage. Please use the following link to find out more information or to sign up to volunteer.

Sign up to Volunteer at the Recital

DancerGrams

Wish your special dancer luck at recital with photos, good luck wishes, poems, etc. in the digital recital program and on a slide show that will be played before the recital.

Please use the form below to submit your "good luck" message and indicate your preferred method of payment. Pictures must be submitted digitally by uploading the image using the link below by March 31st--NO HARD COPIES OF PHOTOS WILL BE ACCEPTED! PICTURES AND PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 31st TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SLIDESHOW AND PROGRAM. There is no limit to the number of DancerGrams per dancer. Each DancerGram is \$20.00.

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Dance Express Spirit Wear

Dance Express t-shirts and crew neck sweatshirt are available for purchase in your parent portal. To order DE Spirit Wear, please visit the online store in your parent portal.

To purchase your Dance Express Spirit Wear:

- -> Log into your Dance Express Parent Portal
- -> Online Store
- -> Select the item you would like
- -> Select the size
- -> Add to cart
- -> Checkout
- -> Select Payment Method
- make secure payment" to process an immediate payment with your card on file
- "Bill My Account" to add the total to your account and bring cash or check to the studio upon pick up of your item.

*All purchases are subject to 6% KY sales tax.

Summer Classes

Our Summer Schedule will be available soon! Registration opens for current students on March 15th and will open to the general public on April 1st. Be sure to check your inbox for our summer schedule on March 11th.

2024 Recital Shirts

A 2024 Recital Shirt is included for all dancers in their recital package fee. Please use the link below to request your dancer's size. The front of the shirt will include the 2024 Recital Logo "Shine Like a Star" and the back will list the names of all dancers. If you would like to order additional shirts, please visit the online store in your parent portal. Orders for additional shirts due 3-5-24.

Check spelling of dancer's name and request shirt size here.



Upcoming Events

March 4-9 Watch Week

15 Summer Registration for Current Students

25 Ticket Sales

<u>April</u>

1-6 Spring Break--No Classes!

1 Summer Registration Begins-General Public

22-25 Dress Rehearsals at Dance Express

27 Recital at Bishop Brossart

Tights/Socks, Shoes and Nude Leotards

One pair of tights or socks will be included with each dancer's costume. You may order additional tights if you wish. Please refer to the chart below to determine whether your child will need tights or socks and the color tights required.

Additionally, some dancers prefer to wear a nude leotard under their costume. They provide a layer between skin and itchy sequins and modesty during quick changes. It is not mandatory, just an option.

Orders for tights and nude leotards will take place in your parent portal. To place an order for additional tights or a nude leotard: log into your parent portal-->more-->online store.

Orders for additional tights/leotards are due by 3-15-24. Please note, sales tax will be added to all merchandise purchases.

Class	Tights/Socks	Shoes
Monday 4:30	Tan tights	Black tap shoes, pink ballet shoes, tan jazz shoes
Monday 6:00	Tan Tights	Black tap shoes, pink ballet shoes
Tuesday 4:30	Tan Tights	Black tap shoes, pink ballet shoes
Tuesday 7:30	Tan Tights	Black tap shoes, black jazz shoes
Wednesday 5:00	Tan Tights	Black tap shoes, pink ballet shoes
Wednesday 6:00	White Ruffle Socks	Black tap shoes, pink ballet shoes
Wednesday 7:30	No Tights Needed	Black tap shoes, black jazz shoes
Thursday 4:30	White Ruffle Socks	Black tap shoes, pink ballet shoes
Saturday 9:30	White Ruffle Socks	Pink Ballet Shoes
Saturday 10:00	No Tights Needed	Black jazz shoes
Blue Team	Tan Tights	Black tap shoes, pink ballet shoes, tan jazz shoes
Pink Team	Tan Tights	Black tap shoes, pink ballet shoes, tan jazz shoes
Silver Team	Tan and Pink Tights	Black tap shoes, pink ballet shoes, tan jazz shoes