

KDC OCTOBER 2026 NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME TO KDC

We have been having so much fun with all of our new and returning students this past month at KDC! We welcome all of you to KDC with open arms, and look forward to a successful dance season with your child(ren)! 😊

OCTOBER TUITION DUE (OCTOBER 1ST)

If you did not choose to pay your tuition in full upon registration, you still have nine installment payments remaining. October tuition is due by October 1, 2026. We appreciate your prompt payment. Tuition payments made after the 1st of the month will automatically incur a \$15 late fee, no exceptions. (*We use autopay each month, so there is no need to go in from your end to pay, unless you are paying with a different card than what we have on file.)

COMPETITION TEAM COSTUME FEES DUE, 1ST HALF (OCTOBER 1ST)

The first half of Competition Team costumes (per dancer/per costume/per class) will be due on October 1st. Any costume fees not paid until after October 1st will accrue a late fee of \$15 each, no exceptions. The second half of these costumes will be due in January. The balance will cover the full costume cost, accessories if chosen, tights, and a garment bag.

OPEN WINDOW WEEK (THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1ST – WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7TH)

The windows to each classroom will be open from Thursday, October 1st- Wednesday, October 7th. We invite you to take advantage of this, as the windows to the dance rooms will only be open the first lesson of each month, and will be closed on the other weeks to allow everyone to focus and grow as dancers, without distractions.

KDC COMPETITION TEAM PICTURES (SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH)

Our 2026-2027 KDC Competition Team pictures will be taking place on Sunday, October 4th at 1:30 pm. These will be taken right at the studio by Pamela MacIntyre Photography. An email was already sent home with all of the details.

RECITAL COSTUME MEASURING WEEK (OCTOBER 12TH-16TH)

We will be measuring all of our dancers for their Recital costumes the week of October 12th-16th. All costumes will be ordered on November 1st to guarantee arrival in time for class pictures and Dress Rehearsal/Recital. *If your child is one of our dancers that are enrolled in Cheer, and haven't begun their classes yet, Miss Kelley will reach out next week with available times to stop by that one of our teachers are at the front desk to be able to measure them.

SUPER/ALL STARS HIP HOP REHEARSAL (OCTOBER 17TH)

Our Super/All Stars Hip Hop Team will have a rehearsal with their choreographer, Julia Kirkpatrick, at the studio on Saturday, October 17th from 5:00-8:00 pm to learn the second half of their choreography.

NHSDA INDUCTION CEREMONY AND LUNCHEON (OCTOBER 24TH)

Miss Bri and Miss Chrissy will be hosting an NHSDA Induction Ceremony and Luncheon for all members on Saturday, October 24th at 12:00 pm. Please look out for an email from Miss Bri & Miss Chrissy with more information.

GROOVE DANCE CONVENTION (KDC COMP TEAM, OPTIONAL, OCTOBER 25TH)

We are so excited for our KDC Competition Team dancers to be attending the Groove Dance Convention at Vibe Showplace in Novi on Sunday, October 25th. This is such a great opportunity for our dancers to learn new skills, work with new choreographers, and train alongside dancers from other studios. *More info on times and important details will be sent in an email closer to this date.

HALLOWEEN WEEK (MONDAY, OCTOBER 26TH - FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30TH)

All of our KDC dancers and staff are welcome to wear their Halloween costumes during these days. Please be sure your child won't get overheated in their costume while dancing. Please leave accessories at home that may become a problem. All KDC dancers will receive a special Halloween treat/prize in their classes.



FINAL DAYS OF REGISTRATION (OCTOBER 31ST)

We are coming to the end of registration for our fall classes.

If you have a friend who wants to join, or your child would like to add another class at a discounted rate (5% off the second class per child, 10% off each additional per child,

*excludes competition team classes and solos/duets/trios, private lessons) **The final date for fall registration is**

Saturday, October 31st. Our next session of classes to register for will not begin until January 2026, and we will have a very limited selection of options due to lack of schedule availability.

RECITAL COSTUME FEES DUE

A total of \$100.00 (per Recital costume/per Recital class/per student) has already been added to your accounts. **The due date for this is not until November 1st.** If you would like to pay ahead of time, you are welcome to, otherwise it will be automatically deducted from the card you have on file at that time through autopay. Any costume fees not paid until after the 1st of November will accrue a late fee of \$15 each, no exceptions. The total covers the full costume cost, accessories if chosen, tights, and a garment bag.

COSTUMES/SONGS

Costumes are being selected and we will begin measuring students the week of October 13-17. Once we have the correct version of the song fully edited, it will be made available to you for your child to practice with at home. Recital Songs will be announced during Halloween week (October 27-30). Recital Costumes will not be shown until after they have been ordered, I'm sure they are in stock and will ship on time, and I have completed making our costume book (sometime in November- I will make an announcement once it is ready to share).

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 present or available to pass those messages on, so **a phone call would be preferred.**

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.

LABEL SHOES/BRING A DANCE BAG

ALL dancers' shoes should be labeled with their name/initials (**on the inside of the shoe**). We would also prefer if the students brought their shoes into the classroom in a bag (it doesn't have to be a dance bag necessarily, just a bag.) We have many students bring in just a pair of shoes or a shoe box that looks like somebody else's and they are very easy to mix up. In the past, we have had different students leave shoes behind, neither of which had been labeled. For our competition dancers or dancers taking multiple classes, this would be especially helpful to save time between classes.

ADD US ON FACEBOOK, INSTAGRAM, TIKTOK, AND YOUTUBE

If you are an avid user on social media, please add us on Facebook (Kelley's Dance Craze), Instagram (@kelleysdancecraze), TikTok (@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"!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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

October 7th- Emma Lauritzen

October 8th- Elouise Gawel

October 10th- Ryleigh Campbell

October 11th- Ruli Kubota

October 14th- Nora McPhail

October 15th- Lindsay Faga

October 15th- Luciana Palma

October 22nd- Lucy Powers

October 23rd- Olivia Morse

October 24th- Madelynn Stephenson

October 27th- Rita Winn

OCTOBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH!

All of our KDC Competition Team and Recreational teachers have nominated 1 Competition Team student (if applicable) and 1 Recital student (if applicable) for October 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!

Marlowe Dutton- nominated by Miss Bri

Paige Eagle- nominated by Miss Kylie

Dakota Ellis- nominated by Miss Chrissy

Chloe Larosa- nominated by Miss Gabi

Nora McPhail- nominated by Miss Kelley

Emmy Medy- nominated by Miss Kelley

Coralie Munro- nominated by Miss Kylie

Mila Powers- nominated by Miss Gabi

Dulce Tea Ramirez- nominated by Miss Ava

Aria Wiercigroch- nominated by Miss Zayda

Emilia Zygmuntowicz- nominated by Miss Chrissy

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! (*Highlighted dates are for our comp team only)

Key event dates for Kelley's Dance Craze (some may have been recently added/updated):

October 1, 2026: October Tuition Due

October 1, 2026: 1st Half of Competition Team Costume Fees Due (KDC Comp Team)

October 1, 2026: October Newsletter Release

October 1-7, 2026: Open Window Week

October 4, 2026: Competition Team Pictures with Pamela MacIntyre Photography, 1:30 pm,
*Required for all team members (KDC Comp Team)

October 12-16, 2026: Fall Class Recital Costume Measuring Week

October 17, 2026: Super/All Stars Hip Hop Rehearsal #2, 5:00-8:00 pm

October 24, 2026: NHSDA Induction Ceremony (12:00 pm)

October 25, 2026: Groove Dance Convention, Vibe Showplace, Optional (KDC Comp Team)

October 26-30, 2026: KDC Halloween Spirit Week

October 31, 2026: Last Day to Register for Fall Classes

November 1, 2026: November Tuition Due

November 1, 2026: Recital Costume Fees Due- Full Cost

November 1, 2026: November Newsletter Release

November 2-6, 2026: Open Window Week

November 14, 2026: NHSDA Meeting

November 25- November 29, 2026: KDC Will Be Closed in Observance of Thanksgiving

November 30, 2026: Classes Resume

December 1, 2026: December Tuition Due

December 1, 2026: December Newsletter Release

December 1-7, 2026: Open Window Week

December 12, 2026: KDC Competition Team Holiday Party and Secret Gift Exchange (KDC Comp Team)

December 15, 2026: NHSDA Holiday Bake Sale

December 19, 2026: NHSDA Meeting/Gift Wrapping Day (12:00 pm)

December 20, 2026- January 3, 2027: KDC Will Be closed for Holiday Break

January 1, 2027: January Tuition Due

January 1, 2027: Winter Half Year Class Registration Due

January 1, 2027: January Newsletter Release

January 4, 2027: Classes Resume

January 4, 2027: Moxie Dance Competition Fees Due (KDC Comp Team)

January 4-8, 2027: Open Window Week

January 12, 2027: Hall of Fame Dance Competition Fees Due (KDC Comp Team)

January 11-15, 2027: Winter Class Recital Costume Measuring Week

January 15, 2027: 2nd Half of Competition Team Costume Fees Due (KDC Comp Team)

January 30, 2027: Makeup Kit Fees Due (KDC Comp Team)

January 30, 2027: Hair/Make Up Class- Required for all NEW Competition Team dancers (KDC Comp Team), Early Morning TBA

January 30, 2027: Mandatory KDC Competition Team Rehearsal (KDC Comp Team), All Day Event

January 30, 2027: NHSDA Meeting (During Rehearsal Break)

February 1, 2027: February Tuition Due

February 1, 2027: Winter Class Recital Costume Fee Due- Full Cost

February 1, 2027: February Newsletter Release

February 1-5, 2027: Open Window Week

February 13-21, 2027: KDC is Closed for Mid-Winter Break

February 22, 2027: Classes Resume

February 23, 2027: Groove Dance Competition Fees Due (KDC Comp Team)

February 27, 2027: Mandatory KDC Competition Team Rehearsal (KDC Comp Team), All Day Event

February 27, 2027: NHSDA Meeting (During Rehearsal Break)

March 1, 2027: March Tuition Due

March 1, 2027: March Newsletter Release

March 1-4, 2027: Competition Dancers performing at Moxie can't miss any classes this week (KDC Comp Team)

March 1-4, 2027: KDC Spirit Week

March 1-4, 2027: Open Window Week

March 1-26, 2027: NHSDA Food Drive

March 5-7, 2027: Moxie Arts Challenge, Berman Center for the Performing Arts, KDC Comp Team (Optional Solos/Duets/Trios)

March 8-11, 2027: Competition Team Dancers can't miss any classes this week (KDC Comp Team)

March 8-11, 2027: KDC Spirit Week

March 12-14, 2027: Hall of Fame Dance Challenge, Vibe Showplace, KDC Comp Team (Full Team)

March 14, 2027: Starquest Dance Competition Fees Due (KDC Comp Team)

March 20, 2027: NHSDA Meeting, 12:00 pm

March 27- April 4, 2027: KDC Will Be closed for Spring Break

April 1, 2027: April Tuition Due

April 1, 2027: April Newsletter Release

April 5, 2027: Classes Resume

April 5-8, 2027: Open Window Week

April 5-30, 2027: NHSDA Pet Supply Drive

April 9-10, 2027: Picture Day Weekend with Pamela MacIntyre Photography (Comp- Friday and Saturday)

April 11, 2027: Picture Day Weekend with Pamela MacIntyre Photography (Recital Classes-Sunday)

April 11, 2027: NHSDA Picture Day Bake Sale

April 19-22, 2027: Competition Team Dancers can't miss any classes this week (KDC Comp Team)

April 19-22, 2027: KDC Spirit Week

April 23-25, 2027: Groove Dance Competition, Hartland Performing Arts Center, KDC Comp Team (Full Team)

April 30, 2027: Yearbook Ads Due (required for all comp dancers, highly suggested for rec dancers)

May 1, 2027: May Tuition Due

May 1, 2027: Yearbook Fees Due

May 1, 2027: May Newsletter Release

May 1, 2027: NHSDA Pet Supply Drop Off, 12:00 pm

May 2, 2027: Informational Competition Team Meeting for all New/Interested families

May 3-7, 2027: Open Window Week

May 7, 2027: Starquest Nationals Fees Due

May 10-13, 2027: Competition Team Dancers can't miss any classes this week (KDC Comp Team)

May 10-13, 2027: KDC Spirit Week

May 14-16, 2027: Starquest Dance Competition, Walled Lake (TBA), KDC Comp Team (Full Team)

May 19, 2027: Recital Tickets Go On Sale for all Competition Team Families, 6:00 pm, *A Code Will Be Required

May 20, 2027: Recital Tickets Go On Sale for all Recital Families, 6:00 pm, *No Code Required

May 21, 2027: Mandatory Competition Team Finale Rehearsal (5:00-7:00 pm)

May 22, 2027: Dress Rehearsal (*Mandatory for all Comp and Recital dancers), Walled Lake Central High School

May 31, 2027: KDC Will Be Closed in Observance of Memorial Day

June 1, 2027: June Tuition Due

June 1, 2027: June Newsletter Release

June 1-7, 2027: Open Window Week

June 5, 2027: NHSDA End of the Year Picnic

June 10, 2027: Last Day of Classes for the 2026-27 Dance Season

June 11, 2027: Mandatory Competition Team Finale Rehearsal (5:00-6:00 pm)

June 13, 2027: KDC's 9th Annual Recital, Walled Lake Central High School

June 18, 2027: Last Day to Register for Summer Private Lessons- Session 1

June 18, 2027: Fees Due for Summer Private Lessons- Session 1

June 21-23, 2027: Week 1 of Summer Private Lessons- Session 1, KDC Comp Team

June 28-30, 2027: Week 2 of Summer Private Lessons- Session 1, KDC Comp Team

July 1, 2027: July Newsletter Release

July 1, 2027: Mandatory Competition Team Nationals Rehearsal, All Day Event (KDC Comp Team)

July 7-12, 2027: Starquest Nationals in Sevierville, TN (Full Team), Sevierville Convention Center, KDC Comp Team

July 16, 2027: Last Day to Register for the KDC Competition Readiness Program

July 16, 2027: Fees Due for the KDC Competition Readiness Program

July 16, 2027: Fees Due for Summer Private Lessons- Session 2

July 19-22, 2027: KDC Competition Readiness Program (9:00 am- 12:00 pm)

July 19-23, 2027: Full Week of Summer Private Lessons- Session 2, KDC Comp Team (1:00-7:00 pm)

July 23, 2027: Last Day to Register for the KDC Summer Intensive/Team Auditions

July 23, 2027: Fees Due for the KDC Summer Intensive/Team Auditions

July 26-29, 2027: Week 1 of the KDC Summer Intensive

August 1, 2027: August Newsletter Release

August 2-3, 2027: Week 2 of the KDC Summer Intensive

August 4, 2027: 2027-2028 KDC Competition Team Auditions

August 5, 2027: KDC 2027-2028 Team Announcement

August 16-20, 2027: Week 1 of Individual Meetings with 2026-2027 KDC Competition Team families, *Required for all dancers who made the team (KDC Comp Team)

August 23-27, 2027: Week 2 of Individual Meetings with 2026-2027 KDC Competition Team families, *Required for all dancers who made the team (KDC Comp Team)

September 1, 2027: Annual Registration Fee Due

September 1, 2027: September Tuition Due

September 7, 2027: Competition Team Meeting (required for all Comp Team dancers and 1 parent), Team Contract Signing, Commitment Fee Due, Big/Little Sister Reveal, Team Jacket Sizing (KDC Comp Team)

September 8, 2027: 1st Day of Classes for the 2026-2027 Dance Season

We are looking forward to 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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