

KDC MAY 2019 NEWSLETTER

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ATTENDANCE

Recital is quickly approaching, and attendance in the coming weeks is crucial to your child's success in our dances. We will be using the rest of May and the beginning of June to "clean" our dances. Every class missed can put your child that much further behind.

PICTURE/YEARBOOK INFO

Thank you everyone for making our picture day a great success! We're hoping to have our pictures/yearbooks back in time for recital, but please know they may come after. If that is the case, we will email you once they arrive.

RECITAL TICKETS

Recital tickets went on sale to all of our KDC families on Friday, May 3rd. If you have not yet purchased your tickets, or still needed to purchase more, please do so ASAP before we sell out by following this link: <https://27864.recitalticketing.com/> Tickets will go on sale to the general public on Monday, May 6th beginning at 8:00 am.

REHEARSAL/RECITAL PACKETS

Rehearsal/Recital packets will be sent home the week of May 6th. Included in the packet are the address of the venue, rehearsal/recital dates, full rehearsal schedule, and what to expect on rehearsal/recital day. **PLEASE READ THIS THOROUGHLY, as I will not be available via email/phone to answer questions on those days.**

TUITION

If you did not pay your tuition in full when you registered for classes, there are still 2 payments left for the remainder of the dance season. **These 2 payments are due May 7th, and June 1st.** Your credit card on file will be ran at that time. If you do not have a credit card on file, or would like to pay with a different card, check, or cash, please do so by/before that date (in person or through your parent portal) to avoid late fees. **(If tuition is not paid in full by June 1st, your child will not be able to participate in the recital.)**

KDC COMPETITION TEAM MEETING FOR ALL NEW AND INTERESTED STUDENTS

Friday, May 10th at 6 pm, we will be holding an informational meeting for all dancers/families who are interested in auditioning for our 2019-2020 KDC Competition Team. During this meeting we will discuss requirements, expectations, the audition process, and pricing. If you have a dancer that was asked to join our Tiny Stars or Pre-Comp Program, it is recommended that you attend as well to have a clear picture of what to expect in the future. This is a great time to get any questions you may have answered.

EVALUATION FORMS

This year at KDC, your child's teacher(s) has filled out an evaluation form for all group classes they attend. **These will be passed out during the week of May 13th.** The dancer has been graded on a number of things from flowing dress code, to technique, to effort in class, etc. These evaluations will help you/your child to be aware of the areas they may struggle in, and the areas they excel in. We are merely using these as a guide to help us with placement for students for the fall/summer, and for your child to understand their expectations as a KDC dancer. No child is perfect, and they should not be expecting that on their evaluation, unless they are truly excelling in that genre of dance for their age.

OPEN WINDOW VIEWING DAY

We will have the windows to our classrooms open the first lesson of every month. It is important to keep it closed the other weeks, so that you may see a growth in your child's skills. For the month of May, it will be open Wednesday, May 1st through Tuesday, May 7th. The last 5 minutes of open window days, you may come in and video tape the dance if you wish. It will be helpful for the dancer to see if they are practicing at home and can't remember the next step.

KDC 5 WEEK SUMMER PROGRAM (JULY 22-AUGUST 22) REGISTER NOW!

Our 5 week summer program schedule is out, and you can register anytime for classes. These classes are a great way for your child to try something new with limited commitment, or continue to improve upon their technique in a style of dance they already love. Check out our website for the summer schedule, or pick it up in person during our regular business hours. \$50 per 5 week session/\$85 for Zumbini (includes Zumbini bundle). Add a second class for 5% off, add three or more classes for 10% off. (*Discount does not apply to competition families who already receive these classes at a discounted rate.)

KDC FALL SCHEDULE 2019-2020

The KDC Fall schedule will be released on (or before) Monday June 17, 2019.

NEW STAFF FOR 2019-2020 DANCE SEASON

KDC is very excited to be welcoming to some new staff to our team for the 2019-2020 dance season!

Kyra Birrell- Instructor/Choreographer (*picture and bio coming soon)

Rachel Fitzhugh- Instructor/Choreographer (*picture and bio coming soon)

Alyson Gay- Front Desk/ Co-Office Manager (*picture and bio coming soon)

Kim Schneider- In Studio Physical Therapist (*picture coming soon, see bio below)

KDC WELCOMES KIMBERLY SCHNEIDER (DPT, PT, ATC)

Kim graduated with her Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training/Sports Medicine from Central Michigan University in 2005, and continued on to complete her Doctorate of Physical Therapy at Oakland University in 2009. She furthers her clinical knowledge by participating in continuing education: she has completed training in Kinesio Taping® and Mulligan Concept as well as certification in Graston Technique. Kim has in-depth experience working with high school athletes, patients in acute trauma, post-op orthopedic patients and is the clinical director for the ATI in Canton, MI.

As a member of the KDC staff, Kim will be holding weekly injury screens for the dancers. There will be set hours each week where she will be available to screen the dancer and advise on the next course of action if needed. She will also be available for acute/immediate care any time she is in the building, at all competitions, the dress rehearsal, and recital. There will be “check-ins” after each competition, and any time Kelley deems necessary, to make sure we get ahead of a small issue before it may become a big issue. If the issue is something that may warrant a physical therapy referral, Kim has made the ATI director in Wixom (at the corner of Wixom and West Rd) aware of this arrangement and they are very excited to work with KDC to get the dancers back to top form. Additionally, Kim works with the physicians at the CORE and she has made contact with their doctor liaison, who also is excited for the opportunity to work with KDC, and those orthopedic doctors will see our dancers within 24-48 hours. The CORE institute has a specialist who specializes in every body part, so we are fully covered! Kim has a list of all of the insurances CORE and ATI accepts, and if yours is not one of those, she will work with you to get your dancer the best care. If a need for physical therapy arises or a Dr referral is needed, you will always be free to choose your own provider, she just happens to have “ins” in a few places.

KDC is very excited to welcome Kim to our Staff, and we look forward to having her in the studio to be able to care for our students/staff if injuries were to arise.

ADULT FITNESS CLASSES

KDC offers adult fitness classes 3 days a week for our students age 16-adult. We have 2 classes to choose from: Werq, and Zumba (*see the schedule for details). You can drop in anytime for \$10 each, or purchase a multi-class punch card at a discounted rate.

DRESS CODE

As stated in the KDC Handbook you all received and signed in the beginning of the year, we have a required dress code for classes. All students should be wearing a black leotard/cami/tshirt, black dance shorts or leggings (neither are required), and tan or pink tights. (*The only exception is pre-dance classes where dancers may wear black or pink.) Boys should be wearing white t-shirts and black shorts/joggers/sweatpants Many children are breaking this dress code by wearing multi colored leotards/camis/t-shirts, leggings, and shorts. Also, tutus are not allowed (straight ballet skirts are fine). Children should not be wearing any jewelry at all (bracelets and necklaces are not allowed). Earrings are ok. All of the KDC apparel we sell is acceptable. Please see me if you have any questions. ***OUR DRESS CODE WILL BE UPDATED FOR SUMMER/FALL 2019.**

LOST AND FOUND

Our Lost and Found box (located next to the front desk) was cleared out over the weekend. Please be sure to check here each week for missing items before they are donated.

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 a message let us know right away so we may pass on the news to their teacher(s). 248-313-0326. ***Please call rather than emailing, as I could be teaching, and am not always at the studio to pass on the message.**

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"!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Rehearsal/Recital Packets passed out: Week of May 6, 2019

Competition Team Informational Meeting for New/Interested Students: May 10, 2019 at 6 pm

Evaluation Forms passed out: Week of May 13th

Memorial Day: Closed May 27, 2019

Last Day of Classes: June 6, 2019

Dress Rehearsal: Saturday June 8, 2019 Time (Walled Lake Western High School) *times will be passed out in rehearsal/recital packet

Recital: Sunday June 9, 2019 at 1:00 pm (Walled Lake Western High School) *Dancers must arrive by 12:00 pm

We love teaching your child(ren)! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email me anytime.

~Kelley Paronish

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