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Dear Debbi's Dance Family,

Last Friday the Governor extended his Stay Home Stay Healthy Order until the end of May. As a Phase 3 business, we are extending our Zoom & YouTube Class Schedule through Friday, June 19th. We plan to re-open for classes at the studio on Monday, July 6th, pending state guidelines at that time. We have rescheduled our End of the Season Dance Spectacular festivities for **August 27th – 30th** to showcase classes that have been working hard all year. Competition Solo, Duo and Trio dancers will also have an opportunity to perform as part of the Dance Spectacular this year. More details to come.

We know taking dance classes via YouTube and Zoom aren't the same as being in class at the studio and we so appreciate your willingness to continue to support your dancers and dance teachers as we continue to connect and work towards our goals. Please check the class spreadsheet each weekend for updated links to Zoom classes and YouTube playlists. **The Zoom links and passwords will continue to change every week** to help protect dancers from unwanted guests. We know it's cumbersome, but please check your email over the weekend for the following week's class. Please note: Some Zoom class days/times change, including the frequency of some classes. Please encourage your dancers to participate and continue working on their dance routines, flexibility and conditioning...this provides them with a unique opportunity to do so and we want them ready to perform when we can be together again. Please also know dancers don't need a lot of space to practice. "Marking" routines, listening to their music and watching or imagining their choreography makes a huge difference, as well.

Make up Classes: Please feel free to do make up classes via Zoom classes and/or Class YouTube playlists. Please email us at 5678@debbisdanceetc.com if you would like makeup class options.

Competitions: The Spotlight Competition and Energy Competition may extend their shows to a later date. If that doesn't happen, they will apply dancer entry fees to their competitions next year. Graduating seniors: they haven't forgotten about you. We'll let you know when we hear their plan for your entry fees.

Financial Support & Tuition: So many families are impacted by COVID-19. Please know we are applying for very competitive grants on a weekly basis to try to help us meet our operational and payroll costs and support students. We have limited scholarships available. If your family is out of a job, please reach out to us right away so we can try to help. We are waiving late fees and can talk about payment plans as well, if that is helpful to you. If you're able to support a Dance Family in Need or hear about new business grant opportunities, please reach out to us.

3 ways to pay:

1. **Pay in full online** - Go to www.DebbisDanceEtc.com, and click on the "Register/Payments" button to log into your online account. If you've been receiving email from us, but haven't logged in before, simply click "forgot password" to set up your password and access your account.
2. **Pay any amount by phone:** Send us an email at 5678@debbisdanceetc.com to coordinate this option.
3. **Mail a check** payable to Debbi's Dance, Etc. to 6715 Martin Way E, Olympia, WA 98516

Re-open Procedures: We are currently developing our plans for when we are allowed to conduct classes again at the studio. These procedures will include temperature taking, social distancing, cleaning procedures, and more. Class times will likely be adjusted to facilitate class size, drop off and pick up procedures, hand washing and dance room sanitation. We will follow masking and other regulations as needed. More details will come as we get closer to being able to dance at the studio.

This is such a difficult, unprecedented time. We are thankful for the outlet dance provides. Thank you so much for your tremendous support of Debbi's Dance, Etc., it's teachers and dancers.

Best regards,

Michelle Hager & Andrea Patton

Co-owners, Debbi's Dance, Etc

Additional Online Master Classes Happening Daily:

For all genres of dance, we recommend you go to: **Dancing Alone Together** at:

https://www.dancingalonetogether.org/?fbclid=IwAR00mnEh40F9_aqhPOr95O3BTf3HosOjvSjI2Ob_qozW68XnO6sokVHmclQ and select classes to try throughout the week. They are usually offered on one platform - Facebook, Instagram or Zoom.

In addition, check out **Operation Tap** Every Day at: <https://www.operationtap.com/videos> for exercises and training. Please note: most of these classes are targeted towards the advanced level, so keep that in mind as you tap along.

The Rockettes are offering a weekly LIVE Dance Class on Instagram on Thursdays at 9 am. Follow the Rockettes on Instagram to participate.
