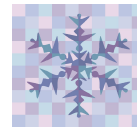


Steppin' Out Dance Centre
January 2020
Newsletter



Christmas Party: Thank you to everyone who attended our Annual Christmas party. As always, we had an excellent turn out and we raised almost \$2,000. All proceeds went to Caring Unlimited and Through These Doors. We also donated a truckful of food to the Biddeford Food Pantry. Thank you for celebrating the holidays with us and for your generosity. You've all made a difference!

Birthday Parties: Have your Birthday party here with us! Invite unlimited guests for \$125. This includes 1 hour of dancing with an instructor and 1 hour for cake and presents! Choose one of our themes, which include Ballerina Party, Princess Party, Mermaid Party, Wonderland Tea Party, or pick a theme of your own. If you have any questions, please see our office staff for more information.

Watch Week: Our next watch week will be held Monday, February 3rd thru Saturday, February 8th for those in Studio I (downstairs) and Monday, February 10th thru Saturday, February 15th for those in Studio II (upstairs).

UNE Dance Clinic: This year, UNE is offering their 3rd annual Dance Team Clinic on Saturday February 29th, 2020. Our dancers had a great time last year and look forward to participating again. Dancers get to learn and perform with the UNE dance team at halftime of the 1pm UNE women's basketball team. They offer a full day for dancers 3rd-12th grade and a half day for dancer 2nd grade and under. For more information speak with our office staff or check out their facebook event. Register here: <https://forms.gle/FDpBytBBE9sD9DOi6>

February Vacation: There will be no regular classes held during February vacation - Monday, February 17th thru Saturday, February 22nd.

Inclement Weather: Class cancellations due to inclement weather will be announced on Channels 6, 8, and 13 or check the message on our studio machine. We will also post on our Facebook page and send out an email if classes are cancelled. Classes cancelled due to inclement weather will only be rescheduled if there is a second cancellation for that class. Tuesday morning classes are automatically cancelled if there is a delay in the Biddeford/Saco schools.

Costume Balances: Costume pictures will be posted in our lobby this month. Costume payments are now past due and a \$10 late fee has been added to any unpaid costumes. Just a reminder that a late fee will be added per month until these are paid in full. In addition to these costumes, you will need the proper colored dance tights and shoes. These specifics will be indicated by your class costume picture. Please purchase or order your tights early.

Competition Teams: This is just a reminder that competition fees for the upcoming competitions are due by February 1st. All fees paid after this date will have a \$10 late fee added per week. Please be sure to pay these on time as we need to forward these to the competitions before their deadlines. Please see separate packet.

New York City Trip: We are excited to be offering a weekend trip to New York City in November to see the Radio City Music Hall Rockettes, a Broadway show, and participate in dance clinics. For more information stop in the dancewear store.

No Street Shoes/Dress Policy: We would like to remind all our dancers and their parents of our dress code policy. Long hair should be tied back away from the face and proper dance attire and shoes should be worn to every class. Street shoes are not allowed, especially during the winter as they wear on our floor finish and put street salt and water on our dance floors. All hip hop students should have a separate pair of dance sneakers or jazz shoes for classes. Please leave all street shoes in the lobby or in a dance bag.