Steppin' Out Dance Centre 308 Main Street Saco, Maine 04072 207-283-2450

WELCOME

We would like to welcome you to Steppin' Out Dance Centre in our 29th season! Our goal is to provide a dance education that is both fun and challenging for all ages. We offer classes from beginner through professional levels including Hip Hop, Modern, Jazz, Clogging, Contemporary and Acrobatic Performance and Competitive teams. Our emphasis is on making the learning process an enjoyable experience as we work towards our performance goals.

REGISTRATION

We are now registering for our 2019-2020 season on Tuesday evenings from 5-7pm or check our answering machine or website for additional hours.

Due upon registration is a \$15 registration fee, first month's tuition (both non-refundable), and a \$60 costume fee per class. Fall classes begin on September 9th and continue through May 23rd. Two weeks of in-studio rehearsals will follow.

ANNUAL PERFORMANCES

Each year we choose a local charity to raise money for and put on an informal Christmas party/show with performances by all our dancers. This show will be on Sun, December 22nd at Thornton Academy. Guest appearances included Rudolph, Frosty, Mrs. Claus and even Santa! We also have a food drive at this time for a local food pantry and raffles to benefit a worthy cause.

Our annual recital will be held at the Biddeford Middle School Auditorium on Saturday, June 13, 2020 with a matinée at 1:00pm and our evening show at 6:30pm. Dress rehearsals will be held at the same location on June 11th & 12th. Generally the evening show consists of dancers 10 and up and the afternoon show is for 9 and under and select specialty numbers. Check the class schedule for more information as it is indicated on the left side which show that class will be performing in (A - afternoon or E - Evening) Tickets are \$15. Absolutely NO RE-FUNDS. All balances must be current in order to purchase recital tickets. The show will feature performances by our faculty and students. Five, Ten,

Fifteen, Twenty and Twenty-five year trophies will be awarded at both shows.

Dance costumes are ordered in December from professional companies for our recital. A fee of \$60 per costume is required at time of registration and is non-refundable after December 1st. Your child will be measured and costume size will be ordered accordingly. A \$10 late fee will automatically be applied if not paid on time. Costume pictures will be posted in our lobby in January. Accounts must be current to receive costumes.

Professional photography services will be provided by Bruce Haskell Photography and set up in May for recital pictures as well as video services of both recital shows.

DANCEWEAR

In order to assure ease of movement in class, we require that proper dance attire be worn. This includes leotards and tights, tank tops, dance shorts, or dance pants for all classes. Black leotard, skirts and pink tights must be worn for all ballet classes. Proper footwear is also required as follows:

Acrobatics - Tan Toe Undies Ballet 5&up - Pink Ballet Slippers Clogging - Black or White Clogging Shoes (check w/teacher)

Contemporary/Modern - Tan Toe Undies Hip Hop - Black Sneakers or Jazz Shoes Irish Step - Black Irish Step Shoes or Black Ballet Slippers

Jazz - Tan Jazz Shoes

Mommy&Me/Pre-Ballet - White Ballet Slippers

Tap 6&under - White Tap Shoes

Tap 7&up - Tan Tap Shoes

Our in-studio dancewear shop stocks everything from trinkets to logo items and dancewear to shoes. Hours will be posted.

TUITION

All tuition is payable on a monthly basis and must be paid by the first class of each month. If unable to attend we request either mailing a check or dropping it by. We have a drop slot in the entrance of our lobby when paying by check. When paying by cash, please keep your receipt as record or payment. Tuition fees are as follows:

30 minute class - \$30.00/month 45 minute class - \$35.00/month 1 hour class - \$40.00/month

1-1/4 hour class - \$45.00/month

There is a \$10 late fee automatically applied when tuition is not paid by the 10th of each month. This will be strictly enforced. A 20% family discount will be applied to any student or immediately family member taking 3 or more classes per week, provided payment is made by the first week of the month. Please do not ask for exceptions.

HOLIDAYS & CANCELLATIONS

We will be closed for the following holidays and vacations:

Halloween October 31
Thanksgiving Break November 27-30
Christmas Break December 23-Jan 4
Winter Break February 17-22
Spring Break April 20-25

Tuition is due in full each month regardless of holidays, school or family vacations and absence from class. Your slot is being held for you whether you are in attendance or not and payment is expected.

Please check your local news station or our Facebook Page for cancellations due to inclement weather. Cancellations are also recorded on our answering machine. Classes canceled due to inclement weather will be rescheduled only if there is a second cancellation for that class.

PERFORMANCE TEAMS

Our Performance Teams attend workshops and competitions and bring home many awards and trophies which are displayed throughout our lobby. We will keep you updated on their current accomplishments.

PLEASE READ YOUR NEWSLETTERS!!

The schedule of events as well as many other pieces of important information is compiled in our monthly newsletter. These can be found on our website and are also handed out to students to take home from class during the first week of each month. Please watch for these as they will contain needed information.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE & FACEBOOK

Check out our site for studio updates. This website along with our Facebook page will help ease communication and make all our studio & class information readily available. Like us on Facebook and follow us on Instagram!

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