October 2026

Dear Parents and Students,

Our yearly recital preparation has begun. It is the culmination of this year's training and is an exciting event, which is met with enthusiasm by the dancers, instructors and audience. You'll see smiles gleaming and confidence beaming as the dancers take the stage. It's truly a fun and rewarding experience that you don't want to miss. (Although it is not a requirement, we strongly suggest that each student take part in our annual recital.)

The recital will be **Saturday, June 19** and **Sunday, June 20 at 1PM at Bellingham High School Auditorium.** There will be an admittance charge for all attending the recital. This cost is necessary for the rental of the auditorium, changing areas, lighting and other essential expenses. Ticket information will be given at a later date. Since most dances are done in formation with partners, etc., **it is ESSENTIAL that students appear in BOTH performances**. All students must agree to stay backstage during the entire show. The dancers can watch the show from the audience at Dress Rehearsal. All participants must attend the **Dress Rehearsal** that will be **Friday, June 18** at **4 PM** (for Toddler Time, Preschool & Combo Classes) **4:30PM** for all other classes**.**

Each class will perform one dance and will need one costume. The Wednesday & Saturday ballet/tap/jazz classes will perform two routines and need two costumes. The costumes will cost **approximately** $70 each for Toddler Time, Preschool, Combo, Adv Combo, Hip Hop 1, Wed & Sat Ballet/Tap/Jazz, $80 each for acro, hip hop 2-5, intermediate, teen, competitive and adult class.

The exact cost of each costume is not known at this time however, **a $70 or $80 as noted above, non-refundable deposit per costume is due by November 8.** Costume charges will be on your November Tuition reminder email. Costumes will **not** be ordered unless deposits are received. Late costume orders can be placed however, the costume companies charge approximately $25 for a "single order fee" and that would be an additional cost to you per costume. **If you do NOT plan on being in the recital, we must know by October 31.** Dancers not participating can still remain in class and learn the dance but would be placed in a spot that wouldn't affect the look of the choreography. After the holiday break, you will receive a statement with costume balances (if any) & tight costs (if any). Your costume balance will be due by February 1, 2027. **All participants will also be charged a recital fee of $95 that will be due by March 7.** This fee will be per family and bundles some recital expenses. The bundle will include a recital video download, t-shirt and 2 recital tickets. If a family has more than one dancer there will be an additional charge of $20 for each additional recital t-shirt. Recital t-shirts will be worn during the finale when dancers come out to take their final bow.

All students will be measured for costumes during class and sized according to the costume distributors' guidelines. Costumes used in the show are ready-made which the manufacturers make to order. It takes approximately 20 weeks to receive the costumes, which is why we will order the costumes before Thanksgiving. Since costumes are made to order, we must pay for them when ordered. The manufacturers will not accept any returns or cancellations. Therefore, **all sales (deposits and balances) are final (No refunds or credits) and we cannot cancel any orders once they are made. Upon receipt of your deposit, we will consider you committed to doing BOTH recital days.** Any early withdrawals will be subject to our early withdrawal fee. Dates are subject to change as we are at the mercy of the school system.

Just A Few Reminders:

* The studio will be **OPEN** on November 11, Veterans Day.
* The studio will be closed for the Thanksgiving Break from Wednesday, November 25 – 29.
* The studio will be closed for the Holiday Break from December 23 – January 5. Classes will resume Wednesday, January 6, 2027.
* **Inclement Weather:** In the case of inclement weather, please check your email or call the studio 1 hour prior to your class to see if your class will be held. If classes are cancelled we will send an email and post it on Instagram and FaceBook.

If you have any questions, please **call** the studio at 508-533-1953.

Dancingly yours,
Miss Cheryl, Miss Heather, Miss Jennifer, Miss Leanne, Miss Bree, Miss Chase & Mr. David