October 2022



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 10 and Sunday, June 11 at 2PM at Medway 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 <u>must</u> attend the **Dress Rehearsal** that will be **Friday, June 9** at **5 PM**.

Each class will perform one dance and will need one costume. The Wednesday & Saturday ballet, tap & jazz classes will perform 2 routines and therefore need 2 costumes. The costumes will cost approximately \$65; some may be slightly higher (usually for the older dancers). The exact cost of each costume is not known at this time however, <u>a \$65 non-refundable deposit per costume is due by November 7.</u> Costume charges will be on your November Tuition reminder email. Costumes will <u>not</u> be ordered unless deposits are received. Late costume orders can be placed however, the costume companies charge around \$20 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 November 1. 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, 2022. All participants will also be charged a recital fee of \$90 that will be due by March 1. 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 (for either day). 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 18 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, <u>all sales</u> (deposits and balances) are final (No refunds or credits) and we cannot cancel any orders once they are made. <u>Upon receipt of your deposit, we will consider you committed to doing BOTH recital days.</u> 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:

- * Register Now: Terrific Tea Party! Friday, November 11, 2022 @ 10:00-11:30am. For dancers ages 3-5
 * The studio will be **OPEN** on November 11, Veterans Day.
- * New Program: Adult Fitness! 5-Week Session Beginning Monday, November 14, 2022 @ 8:15-9:15pm

* New Program: Theatre Arts! 5-Week Session Beginning Tuesday, November 15, 2022 @ 6:00-7:00pm. For dancers ages 9+

- * The studio will be closed for the Thanksgiving Break from Wednesday, November 23 Sunday, November 27.
- * The studio will be closed for the Holiday Break from December 23 January 5. Classes will resume Friday, January 6, 2023.

* Inclement Weather: In the case of inclement weather, please call the studio 1 hour prior to your class to see if your class will be held. If classes are cancelled the outgoing message will state that. Also, like us on FaceBook and follow us on Instagram to get updates.

If you have any questions, please <u>call</u> the studio at 508-533-1953.

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