

## TEAM BONDING ACTIVITIES

*Throughout the dance season we offer different team bonding activities for dancers to take part in. This is a great way for dancers to get to know each other outside of the studio atmosphere. I highly recommend dancers take part in these events as it helps build and strengthen friendships between dancers which makes for a stronger overall team bond.*

### TEAM BUILDING / GOAL SETTING EVENT

We will be having a team building and goal setting event at LaFollete Park in Kaukauna on **Saturday, July 20th**. Dancers should be dropped off at 9 am and picked up at 1 pm and should bring a drink and bag lunch. We will have coolers at the park for dancers to put their food and drink in but please make sure they have their items labeled!

We will get all dance groups together to come up with a list of team goals for the year. We'll do some fun team building activities in small groups and as a large group. Big Sister and Little Sister partners will also be announced at this event.

**I highly recommend dancers arranged schedule to attend this event!**

### TEAM PICNIC/COOKOUT

This year the Kelly family has kindly offered to host our team picnic at their house! **This event will take place on Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup> from 3-7 pm.** We will have fun yard games and our kickball slip and slide set up. As we get closer to the picnic, I will send out an email with additional details so everyone can plan accordingly.

We will be asking dancers to bring a dish to pass or a drink for the picnic. We will also be grilling hot dogs and hamburgers. I will send out a link to an online sign form in mid-July so families can start signing up for items.

### BAY BEACH

We are planning a team trip to Bay Beach on **Saturday, September 21st**. I will need parent volunteers who are willing to drive dancers up to Green Bay and help chaperone. If you are able and willing to help, please send Kim an email at [kimdercks@gmail.com](mailto:kimdercks@gmail.com) and let me know how many dancers you could take in your vehicle. We will leave from the studio parking lot at Noon sharp. Please drop dancers off by 11:50 am so we have time to get everyone split up into their groups and we can leave on time.

Dancers should either pack a bag lunch or bring money to purchase food at Bay Beach. Dancers will also be responsible for covering the cost of ride tickets. Ride tickets are \$.25 each, with most rides requiring one or two tickets per rider. The Sea Dragon and Bumper Cars are 3 tickets and the Zippin Pippin Roller Coaster requires 4 tickets. We will leave Bay Beach at 6:00 pm and I expect to be back at the studio by 6:30 pm for dancers to get picked up.

### TEAM PHOTO SHOOT

We will once again have a team photo shoot with Debbie Daanen on **Saturday, October 5th starting at 9 am**. I am still scouting parks that would give us enough different backdrop opportunities for our photos (if you happen to have an idea for a location, please let me know!) Once I have a location confirmed I will send an email updating everyone with the location, a specific picture schedule for the morning and what dancers should wear. There is no cost associated with this. All pictures will be uploaded to a website where parents and dancers can view and purchase as they wish. You will receive the website info and password to view the pictures on the day of the photoshoot.

### **ADVENTURE PARK AT THE NEW ZOO**

We'll take our daring dancers to the Adventure Park at the NEW Zoo in Suamico. I'm still working with my contact to confirm the date, but it will either be **Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>**. Our start time will be 10 am so we will depart from the studio parking lot around 9:10 am. Included in this group activity will be an aerial obstacle course, zip line and wall climbing. Cost will be around \$22 per person.

I will need parent volunteers who are willing to drive dancers up to Suamico and help chaperone. If you are able and willing to help, please send Kim an email at [kimdercks@gmail.com](mailto:kimdercks@gmail.com) and let me know how many dancers you could take in your vehicle.

### **HOLIDAY PARTY/STUDIO SLEEPOVER**

Our annual Holiday Party / Sleepover will take place at the studio on **Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup> starting at 6 pm.** Our evening will start with a pizza party for dinner. We will then bring back our "So You Think You Can Dance" challenge where we split dancers into groups and they work together to choreograph their own routine. Each group performs their routine and votes are placed by all dancers for their favorite routine. The winning group will receive a prize. We will also have a gift exchange between the dancers (\$5) for those interested in participating. We will also have open studio time for the girls to dance (because we can never have enough dance ☺). Later in the evening when things settle down, we will use a projector to watch movies and old dance DVD's on the studio wall. Each dancer will be asked to bring a snack, drink, or breakfast item for the party.

### **PAINT PARTY**

New this year! Working with Paint U Something, we will set up a class right at the studio for dancers to do a painting on canvas. This paint class will take place on **Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup> at 10 am.** Class sizes will be limited to 20 dancers and will be one hour in length. If there is enough interest, we will add a second class to start at 11:15 am. Cost will be \$25 per dancer and this includes the use of all supplies to paint an 11x14 stretched canvas.

### **TEAM DINNER**

On **Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>** after our dress rehearsal, we will host a team dinner at The Kaukauna Moose Lodge. All dancers and families are welcome. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to pass. As we get closer to the date we will send out an email to coordinate who's bringing what items. This will be a fun way to officially kick off the start of our competition season.

### **TEAM BANQUET**

We will close out our competition season with a banquet after our recital the week of May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Along with dinner, we'll have speeches from our senior dancers, hand out certificates to all dancers and end the evening with a slide show capturing all the seasons' fun memories. As we get closer to this date, a form will be emailed out with more details including price and the deadline to sign up.