

## November 2019 newsletter

It's November. When did this happen? We are a little more than 2 months into classes and our classes are progressing nicely. Since November is the month to be thankful, I want you all to know that I am so very thankful for the opportunity to teach your children, and to provide very competent and qualified teachers as well as a safe environment for them to learn in. As always, if you have any questions or need clarification, don't hesitate to ask. You can also find this newsletters and the calendars on the website.

**Tuition:** Autopay for tuition is ran the 10th of each month. If you do not want your autopay ran, you are responsible for bringing a card, cash, or check in to the desk BEFORE the 10th. You can call in to the office during business hours, as well. Call 801-766-9100 to pay with a card over the phone. If tuition is not paid by the 10th of the month, a \$20 late fee will automatically added to your account. Any accounts that go beyond 2 months past due may have classes cancelled until payment is made or payment plan is agreed upon.

**Cold weather, lost & found:** As the days get shorter and the weather gets colder, please make sure your student is dressed appropriately for the weather. We allow students to wear layers over their dance/tumbling clothes until they get warmed up and stretch. It can still be chilly while waiting for class to start after being dropped off or while waiting to be picked up. We also have lots and LOTS of items in the lost and found! Please stop by and look through the box for items that might be your students.

**Dress codes:** If your dancer has a class that required specific shoes or dress code, please make sure that those items are available for your student, and that they bring them and wear them. If you aren't sure if your student has a dress code, or what the dress code might be, please refer to the website OR talk to your students' teacher for more information about appropriate dress for certain classes. Students that are not dressed appropriately may be asked to watch and will be given a "dress code card" to have signed by their parent and brought back to the teacher. Dressing appropriately also means having hair pulled out of face or in a bun for ballet. Company members should be wearing their full company uniform to classes, which includes the CORRECT bottoms. This is not optional.

**Locker names:** Did you know your student can have their very own locker with their name on it? For just \$15 for the entire year, your student can have a locker with their name on it. If you'd like to get a locker for your student, just pay at the front desk.

**Back Friday Flash Mob:** We are doing a SUPER FUN (and optional) activity on Black Friday! We will be doing a FLASH MOB! If you aren't sure what that is, it's where dancers will go to stores, look like they are innocent shoppers, then music starts playing and... BAM! We do a short little dance! Then we hurry out! We think it will be just a fun little activity for our dancers to bring a little extra holiday cheer to shoppers. This is an optional activity, and students MUST be able to attend the 1 rehearsal we will be having. The cost is \$25, this includes the practice and the t-shirt. You can sign up at the desk; when you register we will need your t-shirt size. Payment can be made at the desk or via Venmo. (@Andrea-Olsen1) The rehearsal will be Friday, Nov. 22 from 4-5:30 pm. We will learn the short routine during this time. Then, the morning of Black Friday (Friday, Nov. 29) meet at the studio at **6:30 AM**. (New time!!) We will hand out t-shirts and run the routine really quick. We will then carpool to the 3-4 different locations and perform the flash mob. We should be done within 2 hours. We do not have our exact locations yet, but are watching the black friday sales to see where we should visit and in what order. This is going to be SO MUCH FUN! Don't miss out!

**Thanksgiving break:** The studio will be closed from Wednesday, November 27 - Saturday, November 30. Classes will resume as normal on Monday, December 2.

**A Look ahead:** The studio will be closed from Monday, December 23 - Saturday, January 4. Classes will resume as normal on Monday, January 6.

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**All Stars company practice:** Our next company/show practice will be Saturday, December 14 from 8-11 am for ALL All Stars. This is a *mandatory* rehearsal. We will still be in classes, and not on Christmas break, so it shouldn't interfere with any travel plans. Please wear your hair in a low ponytail, with your company outfit and company leggings. (You will all have them by then.)

**Music:** Music is starting by be uploaded to our website so it's accessible anytime to you! You will need a password to access your student's music. It is in the email that this newsletter was in. If you forget it, you can always ask! Music is listed by class, so if are not sure which class your child is in, you can ask at the front desk and our office staff will let you know which class your student is in. If you would like a disc of your music, you can pay \$2 at the desk and order a cd with your student's music on it. I can also email it to you upon request.

**Costumes:** We have just about finalized costumes! It is taking a little longer than usual to find just the right costumes. We should have our final costumes chosen and costs for you here in the next week or so. The first payment of costumes are due in December and the remaining is due in January. Costume posters will also be up in the studio as soon as all costumes are chosen.

**Competition dates:** For those teams that complete, we should have the dates of competitions finalized very soon. Watch for those to be released. Also, the recital dates will also be solidified soon!

**Studio gear/Small business Saturday:** The Saturday after Thanksgiving is Small Business Saturday... Well, we just happen to be a small business and have *a lot* of stuff in our studio store that we know your dancer would love! We have *jackets, leggings, duffle bags, hanging bags, back packs, rolling duffle bags, tank tops, hip hop pants, class practice outfits, half sole dance shoes, hats, spirit towels, and back sacks!* Most of our items can be personalized with your dancers name on it, or you can leave the item as it. Starting Monday, Dec. 2, ALL items in our dance store are 10% off! ... BUT DON'T WAIT! Items go so fast and we won't be placing another order until after the first of the year. These items will make GREAT gifts for Christmas! Your students would love to open any of these great items from our store! (Believe me, we hear all the kids say how much they want this or that...) The sale goes from Monday, Dec. 2 - Tuesday, Dec. 17. That will be the final day to purchase something at a discount, especially if you want a name put on an item in time for Christmas! In addition to the sale, we are offering 2 items that are at a deeper discount! Our hip hop "harem" pants are only \$10 during the sale! They come in youth and adult sizes. We only have 5 pairs at this price. That's it! So grab them before they are gone! The second item we are offering at a deeper discount are the studio unitards. They are also \$10 during the sale! They also come in youth and adult sizes. There are only about 6 of these. These make great dance wear to wear to virtually ANY class (except ballet). They zip up the front and have shorts for easy movement. Come check both these items out, and all our other items!

**Wizard of Oz ballet:** A packet was sent home with your student with a permission slip that needs to be signed and returned as soon as possible. Also, a quick reminder that ALL participants in the ballet are required to pay a \$25, non-refundable costume rental fee. This is due BY Dec. 19. If you have not paid it by then, it will be taken out via autopay. You can either wait for the autopay or pay it using a different method before the deadline.

**November birthdays:** We would like to give a November birthday shout out to the following dancers - McKenzie G., Brielle R., Grant W., Rayah B., & Azalea B. Stop by the desk and pick up your birthday surprise from us! Also, an EXTRA HAPPY BIRTHDAY to our teacher Miss Tylar!

Thank you again, from myself and all our teachers, for the opportunity to teach your students. We truly get to know each and every one of them and love them very much. We look for their potential and work to unlock it

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and, even when we are hard on them and make them condition or do pushups or hold the splits for just a little longer, we love them and just want them to find their own potential and strength! We look for ways to push and drive each student to become their best. We work to teach them responsibility and accountability, conflict resolve and friendship, hard work and lots of fun. There is so much more than just “dance lessons” involved.

**Miss Andrea, Miss Janae, Miss Keerstyn, Miss Lauren, Miss Lisa, Miss Tylar, Miss Vanessa**