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Dance Newsletter

Oct. 2011

Dear Parents & Dancers,

Dance is off to a great start! Here is some important information for you:

1. Dance Recital Dates:

- A. Christmas Dance Recital: Sat. Dec. 10, held in the Brandt Center/Swayne Auditorium on the campus of NNU in Nampa.
- B. Spring Dance Recital: Sat, May 19 in CPAC (Centennial HS Performing Arts Center).
 - We will have two dance recitals (each class will be in one of the recitals).
 - Schedule: Morning dress rehearsal followed by a matinee performance
 - Then an afternoon dress rehearsal followed by a late afternoon/early evening recital.
 - For your convenience, we will pre-sell reserved seating at the studio, during the week of recital (eliminates waiting in long lines to get a good seat, on recital day).

2.. October Calendar:

HALLOWEEN, Mon. Oct. 31: NO dance classes will be held on Halloween.
No School: We **WILL** hold dance classes on Thurs. October 6. We **WILL** hold dance classes on days when schools have teacher in-service or parent/teacher conferences.

3. November. calendar:

THANKSGIVING: We will hold classes on Mon. Nov 21, but not on Tues/Wed/Thurs. of that week.

4. Dress Code: By October all dancers should be dressed for dance class within our dress code requirements:
 - Ballet/Tap Classes: Ages 3-5. PINK leotards, pink tights, pink leather split-soled ballet shoes, black tap shoes.
 - Classical Ballet Classes: Ages 8+. Black leotard, pale pink tights, (optional skirt), pink leather split-soled ballet shoes or pointe shoes for Levels 4 & 5. *No tank tops or booty shorts in Ballet Class.*
 - Ballet/Jazz Classes: Ages 6-8. Either black leotards or tight black tank top with tights or dance shorts or dance pants.
 - Jazz Classes: Ages 8+. Same as Ballet/Jazz Classes.
 - Hip-Hop: Loose comfortable clothing and sneakers/tennis shoes.
 - Tap: Loose comfortable clothing with pants being short enough for instructor to see your feet.

5. **Christmas Gift:** We received a new shipment of studio sweatpants. Grey with red logo, or black with red logo. Store hours, Mon-Thurs 4:30-8:00 pm.
6. **Tuition Reminder:** Your credit card will be automatically processed on the 20th of each month, to pay for the following month's dance classes.
7. **Absent Dancer:** If your dancer is unable to make it to class for any reason, please either give us a quick call (322-8082) or send an email, debdance@cablone.net.
8. **Water:** Please send water with your dancer. PLEASE no Gatorade, juice, etc.. STICKY when dripped or spilled.
9. **Costumes:** All dancers were measured for costumes in Sept. We are currently ordering costumes from the new 2012 costume catalogs. Costumes will be in our hands anywhere from 2 to 10 weeks, depending on the costume company. When your dancer's costume has been ordered, we will send you an email with the balance due. REMEMBER, the \$35 costume fee that you paid at registration was a *down payment*. If you have questions re costumes, please refer to the "studio policies" section of our website. Your dancer will wear this same costume in both recitals this dance year.
10. **How Does Your Costume Fit:** As costumes arrive, keep in mind that costumes are not individually tailored and may not fit absolutely perfectly on every body. If your dancer is bigger around the waist, she/he requires a bigger (thus longer) costume which might be too long. If your dancer is thin, but longer in the body, she/he requires a longer (thus bigger) costume, which may be too big around. ***You may need to make adjustments to the costume after it arrives.*** I am happy to provide you with the phone numbers of seamstresses, if you'd like.
11. **Monthly Newsletters:** If you misplace your newsletter, you can *always* find it on my website.
12. **Label Dance Shoes:** Please take a Sharpie and write dancer's name inside of all dance shoes. Black Tap shoes ~ write name on piece of masking tape and tape inside of shoe.
13. **Pull Hair Back:** Female Dancers, please pull you hair back into a pony or bun for dance class.

We LOVE working with your dancers and for you adults who are taking our adult dance classes ~ it's great to have in you in our program! Dancers and parents, we will always do our best to provide you with exceptional dance training in a warm, kind, family-friendly atmosphere. Thanks for your trust in us. As always, feel free to email me with any questions or concerns that may arise. ☺

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