



NEWSLETTER

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Just a Note...

Recital is only a few weeks away! It is going to be a busy month with lots of things going on, so be sure to read this newsletter very carefully! It is important for all dancers to be present in these final weeks as we prepare for our big show! If you are going to be absent, please email the studio to let us know. Keep up the good work!



Registration and Parent Meetings

We will be having end of year meetings for all dancers the week of May 13-16. The meetings for groups a-d will be held the last 30 minutes of class. Combo classes 1-3 will have their meetings from 5:30-6:00pm. Combo classes 4-10 will have their meetings from 6:00-6:30. Groups A-G will have their meetings the last 15 minutes of Ballet classes. We may have meetings in some of our optional classes if needed. We will be discussing recital information, recital tickets, Bring a Friend week, registration for fall and summer, placement for next year, and much more.

You will be receiving a packet of information for registration. Included will be a sheet with your class recommendations for next year. (Please note that we have added new classes for next year. We will have combos 1-10 and groups A-H so there have been a lot of changes to equal out the class groups. Also, company members will be required to take Technique in addition to your other class requirements.) Please put a check beside the classes you want to keep and cross out the classes you would like to drop. Also write your t-shirt size on the bottom of the sheet. You will then leave the recommendation sheet and your signed policy form at the front desk. If you choose to not register for fall classes, return your recommendation sheet with all classes crossed out and write "not returning" across the top.

Current students who turn in their registrations by May 23rd will receive a discounted registration fee of \$30. For your convenience, we have added the registration fee to your May statement. You may pay this fee with your May tuition. This will make the registration process quick and easy! The registration fee charge will be removed from your account if you choose to not register. You will receive a confirmation receipt with your classes listed once everyone's information has been processed. [Click here](#) for a registration guide to help answer your questions.

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5/1	Tuition due
5/11-5/13	TDAC to Showstoppers
5/14-5/17	Parent meetings current student registration
5/28	TDA closed for Memorial Day
5/21-5/24	Bring a Friend Week
5/21-5/24	New Student registration
6/8-6/10	Recital weekend
6/18-6/20	Company Auditions
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Recital

The theme for the 2019 recital is “Always Time To Dance”. It will be held at Wakefield High School June 7-9. Friday, June 7th will be a dress rehearsal for all shows. This will be full costume, makeup, and hair (middle part low bun). There will be two shows on Saturday, June 8th and two shows on Sunday, June 9th. The tentative schedule is as follows. Please read carefully.

Friday, June 7th

Dress rehearsal for all shows.

Saturday, June 8th

2:00 pm Groups a-d, Combo 1-3 (including hip hop), All Company productions

4:00 pm Combo 5-10 (including lyrical & hip hop), Tap 1/2, Hip Hop 1, All Company productions

Sunday, June 9th

2:00 pm Groups A-G, Hip Hop 1-4, Tap 1-4, Seniors, All Company productions

5:00 pm Company Gala

Every dancer will receive 2 free recital tickets at the end of the year parent meeting. You may purchase additional tickets for each show at the studio for the month of May. After that, you will only be able to purchase tickets at the door. (Ticket prices are the same at the studio and at the door.) Tickets are \$10 each for all shows except the Company Gala. Tickets for the Company Gala on Sunday are \$12. Programs will be on sale at the show for \$10. (One program covers all of the shows.)

Recital t-shirts, with everyone’s names on the back, will be available for purchase at the studio for \$15. The t-shirt quantities are limited and will be sold on a first come, first served basis. DVDs are also available and will be produced by Jeff Philips of In Focus Studios. (You can read about Jeff in last month’s newsletter.) Please [click here](#) for a DVD order form. You may staple payment to the form and put it in the tuition box in the lobby. Please make checks payable to In Focus Studios and post-date it for June 7, 2019.



Recital Rehearsals

The week before the recital we will do a full run through of each show in our regular dance clothes at the studio. You will not come to your regular classes that week, only the specified day for your show. On Friday, June 7th we will have a full dress rehearsal (costume, hair, make-up) at Wakefield High School. You should arrive for this rehearsal ready for the stage in your first costume. All other costumes should be packed in a basket or bin in the order that they are needed. Younger dancers will be assigned an older dancer to help them dress at the rehearsal and recital. For both of these rehearsals, you may leave as soon as you are finished with all of your dances. We will discuss these rehearsals at a parent meeting in May as well. [Click here](#) for a recital guide that will help answer your questions. Please read the following very carefully for your dates and times! The schedule for the week is as follows:

Monday, June 3rd- Rehearsal for the Saturday 2:00 and 4:00 shows

4:30pm– 6:00pm– Groups a-d, Combo 1-3, Combo Hip Hop 1-3

6:00pm– 7:30pm- Combo 5-10, Hip Hop Combo 5-10/Hip Hop 1, Combo Lyrical, Tap 1/2

Tuesday, June 4th- Rehearsal for the Sunday 2:00 show

4:30pm-6:00pm– Groups A-G, Tap 3-4, Hip Hop 2-4

Wednesday, June 5th– Rehearsal for Company Gala

4:30pm-6:00pm– Run through show

6:00pm– until- Awards and cupcake party for TDAC dancers and parents only

Thursday, June 6th– Break, no rehearsals, no classes

Friday, June 7th– Full dress rehearsal at Wakefield High School auditorium

4:30pm- Arrival time for 2:00pm Saturday show- Rehearsal begins at 5:00pm

5:30pm– Arrival time for 4:00pm Saturday show– Rehearsal begins at 6:00pm

7:30pm– Arrival time for 2:00pm Sunday show– Rehearsal begins at 8:00pm

There is no dress rehearsal for Company Gala. Production routines and company pieces will only rehearse on Wednesday, June 5th. We will not run the production numbers or company routines during any of the other rehearsals.



Dancer of the Month

Each month we will be choosing four dancers from all age groups to be the Dancers of the Month. These dancers are chosen based on their attitude and effort. These students have shown their instructors that they are hard workers with a good positive attitude.

Each Dancer of the Month will get a sign to display in their front yard stating that they are the Dance Attic's dancer of the month. You will be able to keep the sign for one month so that all of your neighbors can see it! This is great recognition for our dancers as well as getting the word out about our studio! They will also be featured on our Facebook page! Be sure to tag your dancers so all of your friends and family can see!

You will receive your sign the first week of the month and return it the last week of the month. When you return your sign you will receive \$10 off your next month's tuition!

Congratulations to our April recipients! We are so proud of you!

Kaylee Gautier

Alexis Erb

Daphne Sabo

Vienna Giunta

Bring a Friend Week

The week of May 20-23 (Monday-Thursday) is Bring-a-Friend week. Every dancer is invited to bring a friend with them to any dance class. This is the perfect opportunity to bring people who would like to dance and want to try out the Dance Attic! You will receive \$15 off your tuition in September for each friend that you bring that registers for classes. For example, if you bring 3 friends and they all register for classes in the fall you will receive \$45 off your September tuition! Let's tell everyone how much we love the Dance Attic and get more dancers for next year! Every friend will need to bring a signed consent form the day of class. [Click here](#) to get a copy of the form.

Summer Classes

We are very excited about our summer intensive schedule! It's important to stay active over the summer and to keep practicing, so we hope you will plan to attend several sessions as well as the weekly class! Current students may register for summer when you register for fall classes. Registration for new students for the summer session will be held May 21 -24 in the studio lobby. We have lots of new and different classes to choose from this summer. A schedule will be posted to the website in late May.

Year End Reminders

The year is coming to an end and it's time to start tying up those loose ends. The May tuition payment is your final payment of the year. Please check your records and make sure that you are up to date on all payments. Please pay all money owed with the May tuition payment, which is due by May 7th. **Any dancer whose account is not paid in full will not be allowed to dance in the recital.**

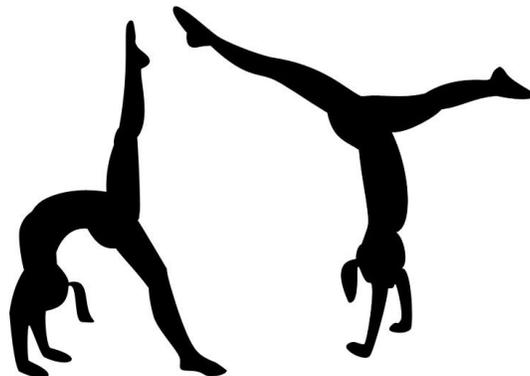
Please check the lost and found in the dressing room for anything that you may be missing (or anything you didn't know that you were missing!) All items in the lost and found will be donated to Goodwill on June 1st.

Even though the year is coming to an end, we still expect our dancers to come to class with the correct dance clothes and shoes for that class. Remember that there is always a little dancer looking up to you so it is important to set a good example and always dress appropriately. If you are unsure of the expectations for your class [click here](#) to read the studio policies and dress code.

Acro and Pointe Placements

We will be offering only Advanced Acro classes during the 2019-20 season. Acro is NOT on your registration letters and must be added if you would like to take the class. Those dancers that already take Advanced Acro are eligible, as well as anyone interested who already has some advanced tumbling skills. Please email for more information.

Dancers who are currently in level A and up may be eligible to take pre-pointe next year. If you are interested, you should first ask your ballet teacher if you are ready. Then, you must come to the front desk and put your name on the audition sign-up sheet and get your ballet teacher's initials. Only those on the sign up sheet will be allowed to audition. Auditions will take place on Wednesday, May 8th from 7:00-7:30pm. If you have questions, please see your ballet teacher after class.



Contest

We all love the Dance Attic so let's spread the word! Between May 18 and June 1 we will be posting announcements on our Facebook page about upcoming events at the studio. We want you to share these with all of your friends! The person who shares the most posts on Facebook will win \$100 off of their September tuition. Make sure that you like our page on Facebook and get ready to start sharing. You can [click here](#) to go to the Dance Attic's page.

Company Information

If you really love to dance and would like to be even more involved, we would like to invite you to audition for our company. Company is for those dancers who would like to make dance their primary extracurricular activity and are willing to devote more time. It is similar to being on a select sports team. You can expect more practice time, more performances, more competitions, and more FUN!

Company members have the opportunity to participate in dance at a different level. You must be in company to be able to do an invitational piece. Dancers in invitational pieces are eligible to do a solo, duet, or trio. The company also has the opportunity to perform around the community and in additional dance competitions. Company members are also required to take summer classes and maintain good attendance to classes throughout the year. It is a big commitment, but also very rewarding!

Auditions will be held the week of June 18-20 (Tuesday-Thursday). Those who would like to audition will come to the intensive and learn a short dance combination that week. On Thursday the 20th you will perform the combination in small groups for a panel of judges. If you would like to audition, but are unable to be there that week, you will need to schedule a make-up audition.

There will be a poster in the lobby with sheets to put your name, age at the time of auditions, and school grade. There is a \$25 audition fee and you must pay for summer classes and registration. We are looking forward to next year and have many great plans already. **We will be having an informative meeting for anyone interested on Monday, April 29 at 6:30pm.** We hope you will join us!



**2019 Company
Cru Dance Competition**

New Staff

The Dance Attic is growing and changing and we are excited about some changes for the 2019-2020 season. We are pleased to welcome three new staff members to our studio! Ryan McMullen, Emily Wayne, and Rachel Macholl will be joining our staff for the 2019-2020 season. You can read all about them on our [website](#). Please make sure you give them a warm TDA welcome and we look forward to seeing great things from them in the coming year.



Rachel Macholl



Ryan McMullen



Emily Wayne

Important Info and Reminders

- The program for each recital will be posted in the lobby until May 2nd. Please check and make sure names are spelled correctly. We suggest that you take a picture of the line up to keep for your future reference. This information will not be available after May 2nd.
- TDA will be closed for Memorial Day on Monday, May 27th. Have a safe holiday.
- Recital T-shirts will be available for purchase in May on a first come, first served basis.
- TDAC will be competing at Showstopper in Myrtle Beach May 10-12! Wish them luck!
- Write your dancer's name on all dance gear (shoes, bag, jacket, etc.). If something is lost the "lost and found" is located in the dressing room.
- The Dance Attic is on Facebook! Like us to see pictures, updates, and upcoming events! Tell all of your friends (especially ones with prospective dancers!)
- If you know of anyone who might be interested in learning more about the Dance Attic please email the studio. If we have enough interest we will hold a prospective student information meeting!

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