



Dance Express

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APRIL 2018 NEWSLETTER

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Dance Recital Update

Both the rehearsal and recital will take place at Bishop Brossart High School. Both shows are the same and all students will need to be present for both recitals.

Dress Rehearsal: The dress rehearsal will take place on Friday, **May 18th at 5:00.** From 5:00-5:30 we will rehearse the finale, then at 5:30 we will start at the beginning and run the entire show. (We will not rehearse the finale again. Students will be free to leave after their last dance.) All students must attend this rehearsal and will need to be in full costume.

Dance Recital: We will have two performances on **Saturday, May 19th (1:00 and 7:00)** All students will participate in both shows. All students should arrive ready for their first dance 30 minutes early (no earlier).

Shoes

Please be sure your child has the correct color shoes by the recital. All required shoes are listed on the tights and shoes guide.

Recital DVDs

A DVD (\$25) or Blue-Ray (\$30) copy of the recital will be available for order. All orders must be prepaid.

Spring Break

Spring Break is the week of April 2nd-7th. (Saturday classes-your spring break will be April 14th. This is a change in date.)

Studio Door

As the recital gets closer, we need as little distractions in the dance classroom as possible. Beginning in March, we will be shutting the door between the studio and waiting room during class times.

Ticket Sales

Tickets will be on sale **Sunday, April 15th from 2:00-3:30.** Tickets will be picked from a seating chart and are \$13 in advance or \$15 if purchased at dress rehearsal and at the door.

(All credit card payments will incur a \$1.00 transaction fee.)

FYI: No tickets will be pulled and held as "Will Call."

Pictures

This year VideoGraphics will be coming to the studio to take professional pictures of your dancers in their recital costumes on Thursday, April 26th. A picture order form is attached. Payment is due with your order and pictures will be available for pick up at the dress rehearsal. Use Sign-Up Genius to reserve a picture time.

Thursday Reschedule Times Due to Pictures

All Thursday classes on April 26th have been rescheduled due to pictures for the following times.

Thurs 4:45-6:30.....April 23rd 4:45-6:45
Thurs 6:00-8:30.....April 23rd 6:00-8:30
Thurs 8:30-9:15.....April 23rd 8:30-9:00

T-Shirt Order

Presale recital shirts will be available at ticket sales. If you did not preorder a shirt, a limited number of extra shirts were ordered and will be available on a first come, first served basis

Bellevue/Dayton Memorial Day Parade

Our studio will be participating in the Bellevue/Dayton Memorial Day Parade which takes place on Memorial Day. More information will be announced in the May newsletter.

Costumes

Costumes are beginning to arrive!! After spring break, we will begin distributing costumes. Please remember that costumes will not go home until all pieces arrive and **your account has been paid in full for THE YEAR.**

If you would like to take your costume home before pictures, May tuition will need to be paid before April 25th.

If you are enrolled in auto-pay and would like me to charge your May tuition, please let me know and I will process May payment on April 15th. You may also pay by check or cash.

DancerGrams

A slideshow including picture(s) of your dancer with a special "good luck" message of your choice, will play before and after the recitals. This special slideshow will also be an additional feature on the recital DVD which is a great keepsake! Each picture/note "slide" is \$5.00. There is no limit on the number of DancerGrams a dancer can receive. An order form is attached.

Dance Team Auditions

Auditions for the 2018-2019 Dance Team are as follows...

Blue Team—Tuesday, May 22nd from 5:00-7:00

Current Blue team members and New dancers in 2nd-6th grades (must be 8 by 12-31-18)

Pink Team—Thursday, May 24th from 5:00-7:00

Current Pink team members and New dancers 7th grades and up

A \$15 workshop/audition fee will be charged. More information and necessary forms will be available with the May newsletter.

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To:(First & Last Name)_____

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Message:_____

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Special Rehearsals at the Studio

The last two weeks of classes will be rearranged to allow classes to practice together, get used to their entrances and exits from the stage, etc. Since this will be the last couple of classes before the recital it is imperative that all students be present. Please refer to the schedule below. If you have any questions, please let us know.

Regular Class Day and Time	Class Day and Time Week Of May 7th	Class Day and Time Week Of May 14th
Monday 4:30-6:00	Monday 5:00-6:45	Monday 4:30-6:00
Monday 5:15-7:00	Monday 5:00-6:45	Monday 4:30-6:00
Monday 7:00-9:00	Monday 6:15-8:30 and Thursday 6:00-8:00	Monday 5:30-7:30
Tuesday 4:30-5:15	Wednesday 6:15-7:15	Wednesday 6:15-7:15
Tuesday 5:30-6:15	Tuesday 5:30-6:30	Tuesday 5:30-6:45
Tuesday 6:15-7:00	Tuesday 5:45-6:45	Tuesday 5:30-6:45
Tuesday 7:00-8:00	Tuesday 5:45-6:45	Tuesday 5:30-6:45
Wednesday 4:30-5:45	Wednesday 4:30-6:00	Wednesday 4:30-6:00
Wednesday 5:45-6:45	Wednesday 6:15-7:15	Wednesday 6:15-7:15
Wednesday 6:45-7:45	Wednesday 6:15-7:15	Wednesday 6:15-7:15
Wednesday 7:45-8:45	Wednesday 7:30-8:30	Wednesday 7:30-8:30
Thursday 4:45-6:30	Monday 5:45-7:30 Thursday 5:00-7:00	Monday 5:00-7:00
Thursday 6:00-8:30	Monday 6:15-8:30 Thursday 6:00-8:30	Monday 5:45-8:30
Thursday 8:30-9:15	Monday 8:30-9:15	Monday 8:00-8:30
Saturday 9:15-10:15	Wednesday 4:30-6:00	Wednesday 4:30-6:00

**NO PARENTS ARE PERMITTED TO STAY AT THE STUDIO DURING THE
LAST TWO WEEKS OF CLASS.**

*****Since we will have an unusually high number of students at the studio at one time, we ask that no parents stay in the waiting area during these last two weeks of class; however, you may wait on the back patio. When picking up, please line up in the hall and we will have a teacher standing at the door to “pass” the kids off and keep the line moving. Thanks for your cooperation.*****

Recital Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are very important part of our recital. The recital is a large production with many children involved and requires the help of many volunteers. **All volunteers will need to report to the theater 45 minutes prior to show time.** If you are interested in being a class mom or ticket taker/ usher, you can sign-up through the following website. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding volunteer sign-ups.

1. Go to www.signupgenius.com.
2. Click on the search icon on the top right corner of the home page (looks like a magnifying glass)
(or enter the following link <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0e4fa8ae29aaf94-recital2>)
3. Search by entering Dance Express's email address, danceexpress@fuse.net.
4. Choose your day and class you would like to volunteer to help.

Class Moms--We are in need of at least two female volunteers to sit with each class during each recital. They will assist with bathroom visits, costume changes, and keeping the class together between dances. They will need to arrive 45 minutes prior to show time and stay with your assigned class until the last dancer has been picked up at the end of the show. Class supervisors will escort them to and from the stage, and be able to watch their child's performance from the wings of the stage.

Ticket Takers/Ushers-- This is a perfect way to volunteer but still watch the show from a seat! Ticket takers/ushers will assist audience members who need help finding their seat. They will take tickets and distribute programs. You will be finished with your duties before the show begins.

Hall Monitor--We are in need of two volunteers to work the sign-in/out table, make sure that no students leave the backstage area during performances, and no audience members or parents come backstage during performances.

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