

APRIL NEWSLETTER



Here's what's happening at the studio this month:

April Schedule: We will be closed only April 22 this month. We are otherwise open during Spring Break, if you're not on vacation send them to class (3)

April Tuition: April tuition is due this week. Payment forms accepted are cash, check and credit card.

Recital Fee: As outlined in your registration packet. Recital fees are \$50 per dancer or \$75 per family and are due April 15. Dancers will receive two complimentary tickets per show they are performing in and new this year, a digital download of both recitals.

Costumes: Costumes are mostly all in but they are staying at the studio until shortly before your dancers performances. I will be giving costumes to parents at competition rehearsals (or just before), or two weeks prior to Picture Day for our non-competitive dancers. This is new this year and was put in place to lessen the missing pieces, ripped costumes, spills, etc.

Summerdanse Competition: I will have the time schedule in the next few days. This will be e-mailed out to all participating dancers and also posted on our Facebook page and on our website.

Dress Code Reminder: Dancers always need to have on a leotard or spandex dance separates! Dancers can wear leggings and tight tanks/tees over their leotard but no sweatshirts, sweatpants, pajama bottoms.

Attendance: For your dancer to be successful, regular attendance is a must. They will get more out of class AND feel better about themselves and their abilities. Remember, your dancer is part of a team! If your dancer needs to miss for a school concert, illness, vacation, please schedule a makeup lesson to catch them up on what was missed before their next class! Competition dancers are ineligible for competition after three missed classes. Make up lessons are \$20 per half hour session.

Website/Facebook: An easy way to stay connected is through our website www.derbydanceconnection.com or our Facebook page www.facebook.com/danceconnectionderby. We will post weekly with updates, pictures, videos and news at the studio.

Memorial Day Party: We have confirmed out Memorial Day Performance/Party will be at Evans Town Park on Sunday May 26. We have reserved the large beachside pavilion. This is sure to be an awesome event! We'll have a short 1 hour performance including ALL of our Dance Connection dancers from tiny tots to teenagers, bounce houses for the kids (\$10 wristband), a Chinese auction to benefit our competition teams, and a Chiavetta's Chicken BBQ fundraiser! Anyone interested in participating in the Chicken BBQ fundraiser must sell 10 tickets (\$12 each). Proceeds from this event can go towards your nationals fees if applicable, picture packages, recital tickets, summer program tuition or even next years registration & tuition! There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin board at the studio. Please sign up if you're interested in participating in the Chiavetta's portion of this event!

Mark the Calendar: We have confirmed dates, mark your calendars! Picture day will be at the studio Sunday June 2. Dress Rehearsals will be at Lakeshore High School June 10 & 12. Recitals will be June 14 & 15. All of the details and schedules for these events are included in your 2019 Important Dates & Schedules Packet and are posted on our website under the "Monthly Newsletter" tab for your reference.

As always, if there are ever ANY questions or concerns, please feel free to call/text/email me! (716) 220-2679 or derbydanceconnection@gmail.com

Thanks!