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Dear Students and Families:

The 2018-2019 dance season is about to begin. Classes begin on Monday, September 10, 2018.

Manchester School of Dance Arts is celebrating fifteen years of excellence, what an incredible journey it has been!

Once again, thanks to all who attended our annual June recital, "Showstoppers 2018." The outstanding performances made it a great success!

We have had a very busy summer! Many students attended our six week summer program. This program gave them the opportunity to continue their dance education as well as preview what they will be learning during the 2018/2019 dance season. Congratulations to all the girls who started pointe class this summer! I am so proud of the progress you have all made and I look forward to seeing you continue pointe class in the fall. We are pleased to announce our newest staff member Miss Kiera Cecchini who will be teaching on Friday's for us in the fall. She graduated in May 2017 from UMASS Amherst with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance Performance. This summer I had the wonderful opportunity to teach a variety of dance classes at the Glastonbury Music and Arts camp from June to July. I worked with several children from other dance studios in the area. Miss Tielar was also an instructor at the camp and we had so much fun sharing our knowledge of dance and choreographing dances for their performance! On August 9th a group of our students and staff members will take a trip to New York City and attend classes at Broadway Dance Center. This is always a wonderful opportunity for our students to challenge themselves and take classes with professional teachers and dancers from all over the world. For myself and other staff members, we can learn new teaching concepts and bring new ideas to the studio!

Registration for returning students: you may call for your class schedule any time after Friday, August 10th. For your convenience, please see the enclosed class schedule (on reverse side of this letter) highlighted with class levels and times appropriate for your student. *Please note: due to staff availability many class times and days have changed, read schedule carefully!* We thank you for your understanding in this matter. Call in registrations will be taken now through Friday, August 31st. Please complete the enclosed registration form and mail it to the studio with your \$25 (per student) registration fee.

Registration for new students: will be held Tuesday, August 21st from 5-7 PM and Thursday, August 23rd from 5-7 PM. New students must attend one of the registration days at the studio or call to make arrangements for a meeting. The registration fee for new students is \$50 (per student). All checks made payable to the "Manchester School of Dance Arts."

Please mark your calendar - the "Christmas Spectacular 2018" will take place on Saturday December 8th with the dress rehearsal Friday, December 7th at Rockville High School. Our dates for "Showstoppers 2019" recital will be announced as soon as possible. The show will be at Manchester High School.

This year the show will be on a Saturday!

We are all looking forward to a productive year! Enjoy the remaining days of summer!

Miss Cherie