



August 2018

Welcome Parents and Students:

We hope everyone has had a fun and safe summer and is ready to begin the new dance season. This is our 21st Season and we can't wait to share it with you!!! **Classes will begin Saturday, September 15.** (We will be Closed Saturday, October 20 which is why we are starting on the Sept. 15.)

If you already registered for fall classes, you should have received your **personal fall schedule in a separate email**. Please check your classes and notify the studio if there are any mistakes or changes. If you haven't registered yet and would like to do so, we are having our registration and open house on **August 27** and **September 4**, from **6:30 to 8:00 PM** at the studio or you can register anytime online from our website: www.StepByStepStudioOfDance.com or by mail. If you are registering online please make sure you register as a **returning** student and use the email address that you received this from. The default pass word is Dance#16. If you know of anyone else who would like to join Step by Step, please pass this information along and you'll automatically be enrolled in our **Spirit Club**. This is SBS's referral program. More information can be found at the studio on our Spirit wall but in the mean time if you refer a friend please have them write **your name** on their registration form. Once registrations have been received we cannot add referral names. Referrals are not for family members or someone who has previously been registered at SBS. Also, to stay updated please "like" us on Facebook to get current studio information or visit the Important Dates page on our website.

Our Summer Classes & Workshops were a blast. We had 5 fun-filled weeks of classes in Acro, Ballet, Jazz, Tap, Contemporary, Preschool and Adult Zumba. The dancers were shining bright and working hard. Some focused on building technique while others tried something new, but all showed their passion for dance. It was a great 5 weeks! The Adults also had fun in the Zumba class. It helps tone, strengthen and stretch the body while burning calories. If anyone is interested in joining for the fall, please let us know. The fall class combines Zumba with Bootcamp for an all-around work out. We call it adult fitness. It's amazing how great you'll feel and how much fun you'll have sweating with other adults. It's a win, win for the grown-ups! In addition to our weekly classes, we had 2 weeks of Workshops/camps during the day. Our younger dancers experimented with many dance genres in our "Dance Lab" while our older ones took part in the Intensive Workshop. Both groups danced their hearts out and you could feel their energy fill the room. They both had a mini performance at the end of the week and were so impressive! It's amazing how much the dancers learn in a week, how creative they are, the joy it brings and the new friendships that are made. It's such a great time for the dancers and teachers! Our little ones also had a magical time at the Princess & Prince Days. They danced, crafted, had story time as they transformed into princesses and princes. You can see all the pictures on Facebook or hanging up at the studio.

Our Competition Teams had a busy end of the season. After the recital we competed in Elite Performance Challenge's National Competition. We were so happy with everyone's performances and all the competitors should be proud! We did very well and received many awards and high score placements. It was a time of personal bests brought on by comfort and confidence. It was great and we had a fun time. Congratulations dancers! We also had some dancers get chosen for Turn It Up's National Dance Team. Here they took classes, rehearsed and performed at the National Gala. It was a great experience. They also competed in the competition and really shined! After this, the dancers were back at the studio to take Master Classes with some amazing teachers and performers. It was another great experience and fun too!

If anyone needs dance supplies, they can be purchased at Capezio, next to Kohls in the Milford Plaza. We are having a special Step by Step Shopping time on **Tuesday, September 11 from 6:30 – 8:00 pm**. This event is only for Step by Steppers and you will receive 15% off on this day and time. If you have questions about needed supplies, please check our website. We also have a "Shoe Swap" box in the waiting area. If anyone has shoes they would like to give or swap please bring them in. If anyone needs shoes, why not check the swap box before making a trip to the dance store.

Finally, we would like to **thank all** of last season's dancers and let them know what a **terrific** job they did performing in our 20th Anniversary Extravaganza "Through The Years". Our 20th was the best yet! It was filled with special memories, moments and surprises. A very special and touching recital for sure! We were **so happy with the show and all the dancers should be proud!** We would also like to say "**Thank You**" to all the monitors and other helpers for doing such a great job, and for helping to make the show run smoothly. If anyone would like to order a dvd of the show or recital pictures please visit GaryAntleProductions.com.

If anyone has any questions, please call the studio at 508-533-1953. We look forward to seeing everyone!

Dancingly yours,

Miss Cheryl, Miss Heather R., Miss Heather Z., Miss Jennifer & Mr. David