



Miss Dee's School of Dance

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Dear Parents and Students:

Spring is rapidly approaching and so is recital. It is extremely important that students practice their dances just like they would practice an instrument or any other skill they are trying to master. For students under 6 years of age I recommend that they practice their routines two or three times every other day. Students 7 years of age and older should practice for 15 to 20 minutes every other day or MORE. Parental participation is essential to motivate and encourage your child. Encourage them to show family members and visitors their dance(s). This will help them get used to performing in front of an audience and help to build self esteem. Recital is only two and a half months away and without encouragement from family members walking out on that stage the first time can be a little scary. If you bring in a blank CD, or a flash drive I will record your child's music for them to rehearse with. You may purchase a Compact disk for \$5.00.

Dress Rehearsal and Recital will be held June 7 & 9, 2018 at the Greenville High School Auditorium. Look for times and more specifics in the next newsletter. Next month we will NOT be having classes April 2-6, 2018 for Spring Break. Classes will reconvene April 9, 2018. Attached to this letter you will also find your recital t-shirt order form. There will be a sample one hanging in the lobby soon for you to see the actual shirt. T-shirts must be pre-ordered, very limited numbers will be available at the recital.

Students of the month for March are Lily Bowman & Larissa Roy. Congratulations!

There have been some questions about snow days and make-up classes. Please remember that this year we built into the schedule 2 snow day/cancellation days what would not be made up. As of the time I wrote this letter we do not have any to be made up. If that changes we will schedule classes on Thursday until we are caught up. Please remember that **if Greenville Public Schools or surrounding area schools are closed, please check WOOD TV 8 or www.woodtv.com to see if we will be cancelled. You will see Miss Dee's School of Dance listed on the cancellations list if we will not be having classes that day.** If you are concerned that there will be not classes, please call the studio 1 hour prior to your class. If no one answers, there will be no class. Also an email will be sent out to everyone on the email list. If we need to close due to illness you will receive an email or a phone call. If you haven't been receiving emails, you are not on my list. Please go to our website www.missdeesdance.net and email me so I can add you to the list.

We are in need of parents/high school age siblings to help with recital. Renting the Auditorium is very expensive and I am trying to keep the costs down so recital fees doesn't have to be increased from last year. I need 1 Adult Parent or Grandparent from each Pre-school or Combination class who would be interested in helping with their child's class in the greenroom at recital and helping at dress rehearsal. You will be in the holding area with the kids, but will still be able to see them dance. We hold special reserved seating for the helpers.

This month our "Dancers Making A Difference" theme is "March For Our Military Veterans". Help support our Military Veterans at the GR Veterans Home by bringing items for care packages. I have a list of items hung in the studio for ideas, but items like toothbrushes, tooth paste, baby powder, foot powder, razors, shave cream/aftershave, Lotion, soap or body wash or other toiletries. Treats like soft candy, packaged cookies or candy bars. You will receive an entry in to the free recital T-shirt for every item you bring.

See you in class;

Miss Dee