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## YMCA-YWCA SCHOOL OF DANCE: THE DANCE KONNECTION 2022-2023 NEWSLETTER

# NOVEMBER 2022 SOUTE NEWS

**Please remember** to call or email if your child will not be in class. If they miss 2 weeks in a row without a call or email we will be contacting you to see where they are!

**Reminder:** It is The Dance Konnection policy that parents do not sit in the studio to watch their children's weekly classes. This can be very distracting for our students and it makes it more difficult for them to learn what their teachers are trying to teach them. We realize that it is fun to see what your children are learning and that is why we provide a time twice a year when parents are welcome to stay and watch for the whole class time. And our first parent viewing week is just around the corner the week of November 13-17th.

### **Costume deposit money was due Nov. 1. Costume Deposit Policy**

**-Reminder:** Per your signed registration paperwork below are the following costume deposit changes. Primary classes; preschool & elementary Ballet & tap combination classes and Baxter dancers have a one time \$80 (plus tax), total due on November 1st. Dancers in any leveled classes (1-9) dancers taking more than one leveled class have a \$110 deposit due November 1st with remaining balance due on January 15th. Dancers taking only one leveled class have an \$90 deposit due November 1st with the remaining balance due January 15th. **All costume fees are non-refundable.** The following classes will not purchase costumes for the May recital: Dancers Conditioning, Ballet 6, KaMotion 1 & 2, and Acro classes. **Baxter classes** will be processed through auto pay.

**Don't Forget...** If your dancer is needing new shoes or tights you can order through our online store at **WWW.SHOPNIMBLY.COM/THEDANCEKONNECTION** The best part is they will be shipped directly to your home.

**Dance Bags:** Please remember that all dancers need to have dance bags for their dance shoes.

**Acrobatic Arts Evaluation Day-** We will be holding an Acrobatic Arts Evaluation day Saturday November 12th from 1-2PM for Acro levels 1-5! \$10.00 per dancer. What is an Acro Evaluation? Your student will be evaluated on their current level and what they will need in order to advance to the next level using our Acro platform, Acrobatic Arts. This will not be an evaluation of level advancement for the Dance Konnection, just strictly the Acrobatic Arts program. Contact the office by November 10th.

### **Dates To Remember:**

- November 1- 1st Costume Payment DUE
- November 13- NHSDA meeting at 5PM
- November 13-17- Parent Viewing Week
- November 23-27- Thanksgiving Break
- December 4- Christmas Extravaganza
- December 5-11- Bring A Grown Up To Dance Week
- December 12-18- Christmas Parties in Class
- December 19-January 1- No Dance - Merry Christmas
- January 2- Classes Resume
- January 15- Final Costume Payment DUE
- February 10- Tights/Accessories Forms and Money DUE
- April 10-16- Parents Viewing Week 2
- April 21- Dance Pictures
- TBA- Tumble Tots Demo.
- TBA- KaMotion Recital & Acro Demonstration
- Recital Dress Rehearsal- April 30th-May 4th, 2023
- May 5th & 6th- Recital

**Parent's Viewing Week** will be November 13-17th at your dancers' regular class time. Come see what we've learned!!!!!! There is no parent viewing for Dancers Conditioning, Acro classes, Tumble Tots, Ballet Tech, or PBT.

**Thanksgiving Break is November 23-27th. Have a Happy Turkey Day!!!**

**Acro 1/2, 3/4 & Acro 5 dancers mark your calendars!!!** We will be combining all Acro 1/2, 3/4 AND Acro 5 classes on Saturday December 3rd from 1:45-2:45PM to run through their performance for the Christmas Extravaganza show on December 4th.

### **-Important Christmas Extravaganza Information-**

We will be changing to a minimum amount of \$5.00 per person (dancers excluded) for admission to the show, if you would like to donate more that would be amazing. We want to make sure that we can cover the cost of the Auditorium and also have money to donate. We still want the nature of the show to be as much like it has been in the past, a full charity event. So all the proceeds after the rental is paid will go to a charity. It will still be a "come & go" show, but in much more comfy seats. We really need many volunteers to help as the space at the Auditorium is not as open as the Coliseum, so additional help is going to be needed!!!! Also we will not be able to have a concession stand this year due to the Auditorium's policy in regards to no food and no drink.

**Christmas Show-** Our Theme this year is A Homemade Christmas-Christmas Extravaganza 2022. The show will start at 1:00 p.m. and go until approximately 4:00 p.m. Everyone is invited for a fun and entertaining afternoon. **\*\*For anyone** who wants to help with this event, please attend the following meetings: Thursday November 3rd at 7:30PM and Wednesday November 30th at 7:30PM. Both meetings will be held in room 205 here at the CC.

**No regular dance classes in Baxter December 4th—It's the Christmas Extravaganza!!**

**Everyone had such a great time, we are doing this again this year.** Bring a grown up to dance week! This will be the week of December 5-11th for the following classes: Monday 4:00, Monday 4:45, Monday 5:30, Tuesday 4:00, Tuesday 4:45, Tuesday 5:30, Wednesday 5:00, Wednesday 5:45, Thursday 5:00, Jazz 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8, Ballet 1,2,3,4, 5, KaMotion 1 & 2 classes, and all Baxter classes. Join your dancers in a fun night of dance. Come do what we do each week. Lots of fun, laughs and sweet dance moves to be had by everyone!!!

**Parent/Tot Class:** This class is geared towards toddlers, 18 months to 3 year olds, and the special adult in his or her life. It is designed to help students feel comfortable learning in a group setting. Activities will include dance games, playing instruments, and singing songs while having fun together. Learn new and creative ways to enjoy music and dance. This class will be in three 6 week sessions.

Classes are offered on Tuesdays from 6:15-6:45pm

Session 1: October 4th-November 8th

Session 2: January 10th-February 14th

Session 3: March 7th-April 11th

\* Sign up on the Y's website. \*

### **November Birthdays:**

Aumree Gerke

Lily Johnson

Rhiannon Rottmann

Mckinley Vogeler

Ireri Corona

Emma Richardson

Angela Leah Nunez

Bridget Case

Emilia Dent

Hailey Szabo

Idalis Mendez

Harper Prusha

Rylee Roberts

Bexley Morgan

Alexa Mendoza Acosta

Josephine Hernandez

Elizabeth Moeller

Kinley Miller

Kinzley Smoldt

Maia Morency



## Volunteers Needed!!

It takes a lot of parent volunteers to help put on these fantastic recitals, parades, Christmas shows, etc. This year we are going to start getting our volunteer lists started early. Here is a list of volunteers that we will be needing throughout the year, we may need additional volunteers at some point, but this is a good starting point. If you are interested in volunteering for any job/jobs please send us an email stating what you would like to be signed up for so we can put your name on that list.

Volunteers for Christmas Extravaganza– planning, set up, costume removal, front table, prop building, etc. If interested in helping please attend the November 3rd meeting and the November 30th meeting, both at 7:30PM in room 205.

### **KaMotion Recital:**

Provide Lunch

Hand out Programs

Help dancers get ready

### **Recital:**

Prop Building– this will start in January

Backstage Helpers with Little Girls & Boys Classes

Backstage Dads

Take Tickets– Friday & Saturday

Programs– Friday & Saturday

Flowers– Friday & Saturday

Auditorium Ushers– Friday & Saturday

### **NHSDA important information!**

The next NHSDA meeting will be November 13th at 5:00PM.

Food Drive coming soon!- The Dance Konnection NHSDA will be holding our annual food drive at the studio again this year. You can find the boxes located at the doors of Studios 1 & 2 where we will be accepting canned goods, baking items, and toiletries, but NO PARISHABLE items please! All food donations will be split equally between Baxter Food Bank, House of Compassion, and the Emergency Food Box of Marshalltown. Please help us pack these boxes outside of studio 1 & 2 full! Thank you in advance for any help you can give.

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**Spring Dance Recital:** May 5 and 6, 2023. Which night will you dance?????

**SPRING 2023 RECITAL SCHEDULE: Classes perform on the following nights in the Spring Recital May 5th and 6th, 2023.**

**The following classes will dance on Friday, May 5th, 2023:**

Tuesday 4:00-4:45 3-4 year old Ballet & Tap

Tuesday 5:30-6:15 5-6 year old Ballet & Tap

Wednesday 5:00-5:45 4-5 year old Ballet & Tap

Wednesday 5:45-6:30 7-8 year old Ballet & Tap

**The following classes will dance on Saturday, May 6th, 2023:** \*Saturday may be split into 2 shows\*

Monday 4:00-4:45 7-8 year old Ballet & Tap

Monday 4:45-5:30 3-4 year old Ballet & Tap

Monday 5:30-6:15 5-6 year old Ballet & Tap

Tuesday 4:45-5:30 4-5 year old Ballet & Tap

Thursday 5:00-5:45 5-6 year old Ballet & Tap

**Baxter--**

Sunday 12:30-1:15 3-4 year olds

Sunday 1:15-2:00 5-6 year olds

Sunday 2:00-2:45 7-9 year old Ballet & Tap

Sunday 2:45-3:30 7-9 year old Jazz

**The following classes will dance in multiple shows:**

Jazz 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8

Tap 1,2,3,4,5,6,7

Clogging 1,2,3

Boys Classes

Ballet 1,2,3,4,5

Pointe 1,2,3

Modern 1, 2, 3

Musical Theater 1 & 2

**The following classes DO NOT dance in Spring Recital:**

Ballet Technique

Parent/Tot Dance

Dancer's Conditioning

All Acrobatics Classes & Tumble Tots

Ka-Motion Classes

Progressive Ballet Technique

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you have dancers performing in multiple shows of recital you MUST purchase tickets for all shows if you want to attend. There are no discounted or free tickets.