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HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Happy St. Patrick's Day to you! We hope this footnote finds you happy & healthy! To help us communicate all the many details this time of year it is imperative that you read this entire footnote and make notes of dates in your calendar. Please also note that the emails we send are important as it is our double check to make sure information was relayed. We respectfully ask that you remember your commitment that you made to this recital- remember it is our "big game" of the year and it is important that each piece of the puzzle is present in classes. One of the many life lessons dance gives us is discipline- commitment to see something all the way through is one way we act it out is in our personal schedules. Thank you for your understanding and placing importance on this commitment for your dancer and your instructor. Thank you!

Love,
Miss Sarah & Staff

Visiting Week

Studio B classes: Week of March 3rd

Studio C classes: Week of March 10th

Parent Appreciation Week

To all the parents who help each dancer be successful here at Dance Arts, we applaud and recognize you!

March 25th-March 28th

Parents are invited to come in for a sweet treat to say thank you for all you do!

Experience Trip

We will have a parent info meeting

Friday April 25th at 6:30

to hear more about our experience trip to **Los Angeles in April, 2026!**

This trip will be for dancers ages 10-21.

Studio Library

Did you know we have a studio library where you can check out any book or magazine! Please see your teacher or Miss Madison in the office!

Reminder

The weeks are flying by. As per our student handbook and brochure, your April and May tuition are due April 5th. We take no payments for tuition in May (unless you've already spoken to us). Please prepare for this and thank you for helping us wrap up the season not with billing and finances but fun choreography and excitement about the upcoming recital.

Recital 101

- **At-Home Practice**--To ensure that the students feel confident about their performance, we ask parents and guardians to encourage them to rehearse their recital choreography on a regular basis. Their music makes this even more fun and is in the google drive folder "2024-2025 DA" Please see your teacher for additional questions.
- **Clean Dance Wear**--Please see that your dancer has clean tights and shoes for our June Recital. If you need to order anything please order on your parent portal or stop into the front office.
- **Costume Fee**--In order to costume each student and clean the costume, for Mini Recitals you rent a costume from our collection. In some cases we need to purchase additional items. Each dancer for each class will have a **\$5 costume rental** charge for this. It is a nominal fee but we want to make sure that each dancer has something fun and different to wear that makes sense with their recital piece. This \$5 costume rental fee is due **March 10th**.
- **Recital Package Fee**--Did you know there are no tickets costs for our Mini Recitals? However we will be charging **\$12/student** for your recital package which includes your 3 tickets, sets and props for your recital dance, and a digital download for the entire show. This will be billed out **March 10th**. Thank you for your participation in recital! It will be so much fun!
- **Day of Mini Recital**--- Each student is allowed to bring 3 guests to each recital. This doesn't include the dancer as they will be in studio B. Please start figuring out who is coming to see you shine on stage!
- **Pre Planning**----The recital isn't a one-day activity. You might be performing multiple times during our Mini Recital Week. Please note there is no food allowed in the dressing room and no eating in costume. There is to be no food around any costume so please eat before you come. Please gather all shoes and tights in advance so you'll know if something is missing or isn't right. All dancers for Mini Recital need red lipstick. Other make up is up to each parent/family/dancer. It doesn't hurt to have a backstage bag with other things like safety pins, a needle and thread the color of their costume (already threaded helps in time of emergencies). Handy extras are baby wipes, baby powder, a pain reliever of your choice, band-aids, extra tights, instant ice pack, and clear nail polish for emergency runs in tights. It is a good idea to have something quiet to do backstage (book to read or coloring book...etc) Dance Arts will not be responsible for electronic equipment-leave all valuables at home. There is to be no jewelry worn at Mini Recital so please leave all of that at home as well. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us and your dancer have a celebration during recital week!

Studio Spirit Week

We will celebrate and show our studio spirit with fun hair styles (time to use all those fun pinterest styles) and our white Dance Arts shirts. Please wear your shirt and do your fun hair March 24-27th.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Cinderella

Saturday March 22nd, 3:00pm and 7:00pm

This is our 50th anniversary of SDT and this will be one to remember as 50+ dancers from Southwest Michigan will present this classical ballet. Tickets are \$8 for children 12 and under, \$15 for adults 13 and up. Tickets will be available for purchase here at the front office starting March 1st as well as at the door 30 minutes prior to showtime. All proceeds from the show will benefit Lory's Place.

Studio Spirit Week

March 24-27th

Parent Appreciation Week

March 24-27th

Spring Break

March 28th-April 6th

The studio is closed for Spring Break - there are no classes this week.

Costume Try on Week

April 21st-24th

Each class will try on their costumes for Mini Recitals. Teachers will communicate if you need any additional items to complete the costume.