

PLANET DANCE

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March - April Newsletter 2018

Happy Spring! As we get closer to recital, please find important information in this newsletter and important e-mails, periodically. ☺

5 & 10 Year Awards - If you think it's your child's 5th or 10th year in a row at PD, **you must notify us** to make sure they are on our Award list...our system is not set up automatically.

Fitness Class -- A Cross Training class is offered to students looking to increase strength, flexibility and overall conditioning. Class will consist of Dance, Yoga, & Fitness. **Drop-in style class on Mondays, 6:30pm** for ages 10 & up. For new & current students! Please share this info!

Recital Tickets- All Recital Tickets are **Pre-Ordered**. You must send in a TICKET ORDER FORM **with payment** by **April 14th**. **We DO NOT accept credit card payments for Recital Tickets.** Please send in cash or checks ONLY. Our shows sell out. Once you purchase tickets, there are NO exchanges or refunds. Plan accordingly. Recital Tickets are \$20. Our Lottery System works by having each student pick a number in class, to determine what order their recital tickets will be pulled. **Your order (lottery #) will be forfeited if not received by April 14th**. Students and Chaperones do not need a ticket. **Tickets will be distributed once May & June tuition is paid in FULL. (Due by May 13th)**. We cannot guarantee recital tickets if your order is not sent in by **April 14th**. Please note WHICH SHOW you need tickets for.

Chaperones- As you know, we cannot run a smooth show without the help of our parents who volunteer to chaperone Rehearsal & Recital. Chaperones will be assigned to a specific class or duty and will not be watching the show from the audience. If possible, they can watch their child perform from the side stage, for students in only one dance. Chaperone duties include *both* rehearsal and recital. It is completely *voluntary*, and appreciated. Chaperone Meeting is on Thursday, May 17th, 7:30pm (Sangria will be served;). *Sign-Up sheet is out at front desk. I cannot thank you enough for this help! ☺
Chaperones and/or Parents can order a recital T-shirt for themselves for \$25 by March 24th!

Accessory List- Please check the "**Which Show/Accessory List**" for your child's tights/hair-style/shoes. **All students MUST have the same brand/style/color tights before picture day, in May.** Tights can be purchased locally at *Damian's Dancewear in Drum Hill*. *Please make any necessary costume alterations, as soon as possible, and put costumes away, out of reach! Please make sure all dance shoes are labeled.

Picture Day- We are please to announce that Katie St. Pierre will be our studio photographer again this year! She is fabulous! Photos will be scheduled for the week of **May 15 - 17**. This photo opportunity is *optional*, although, even if you do not wish to *purchase* photos, it is required the whole class attend the scheduled photo time for the group picture. There will **not be regularly scheduled dance classes on these photo days**. Check the posted schedule for your class' photo time, or on our website by the end of this month. ***Program Ads for our recital book, and Recital DVD orders are DUE by Picture Day.** These forms will be out shortly.

Rehearsal - We will have ONE mandatory dress rehearsal for all students at Littleton High School on **Wednesday, June 13th**. Students must show up on time, in full hair, make-up, and costume. Please just do your best, don't stress. Rehearsal is VERY IMPORTANT for the students to prepare for Recital, and mostly it helps for their confidence☺. Rehearsal Schedule will be posted (& also on the website) in April...Rehearsal is scheduled from 4-8:30pm, you will be scheduled somewhere in this time frame.

Recital - **Saturday, June 16th, 2018, 1:00pm or 5:00pm.**

****SEE "WHICH SHOW LIST" TO KNOW WHICH SHOW TO PURCHASE TICKETS FOR.**

Some students or families may be in BOTH shows, some may be in a different show. Recital tickets are required for both shows if you want a seat at both shows. Otherwise, you can choose to chaperone one show, where your help will be much appreciated and needed, and then watch the other show. ☺

2018-2019 Registrations- Students who *re-register* **BEFORE May 1st**, can do so for a discounted \$15 or (\$25 per family). Returning & new students registration fee **AFTER May 1st, is \$25**.

*(Reminder for those who registered late, and didn't get their first choice class, day, or time!) Don't wait! Please return registration form with proper payment. Fall Registration Forms are now available. A **tentative FALL SCHEDULE 2018 will be posted in May!** ☺ Please ask if you have questions about placement or are interested in joining our Performing Dance Company Teams.

Summer Classes- Summer Forms are available in the studio and online ...be sure to plan ahead to reserve your spot! We offer some fun dance workshops for new and returning students, and also the required skills workshops & try-outs for our performing and company dance teams. **New tumbling classes are also offered! Planet Dance is getting a new tumble track! We will have 2 certified gymnastic training coaches teaching the tumbling classes. Hurry, spots will fill up fast!**

Heritage Show-- Our whole studio will perform on the boulevard in Lowell, for the annual **HERITAGE SHOW on a Thursday night in July**. Date TBA. Show time starts at 6:00pm. Please do your best to attend this free, outdoor event. The kids love it, and their dance-mates count on them to be there! ☺

BRING-A-FRIEND WEEK- If your child has a friend who is seriously interested in checking out our studio and trying our classes, they can come in to dance with us the week of May 28th – June 2nd.

Thank you for reading our newsletters. Please use our website as a reference! Contact me for any questions or concerns. E-mail: planetdance@comcast.net

Please feel free to share your love of Planet Dance by giving us some feedback or a kind review on google or facebook! It's much appreciated! Thank you all for being a special part of this 13th Annual Recital!

Dancingly yours, ☺
Miss Joanne