

Dance 2 Studio Newsletter

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Happy New Year DANCE families! The school year is nearly half done and it's time to plan for the annual Spring show (which is what this newsletter is about). This newsletter contains ALOT of time critical and important information so you are receiving it in both hard copy and by email. It can also be found under "News" on the website and under "Shared Documents" via your Parent Portal. Please read it carefully and retain for future reference. If you have questions, please ask!

Spring performance "2020 Vision" is SUNDAY MAY 31@ 2 PM.

Mandatory dress rehearsal is SATURDAY MAY 30 FROM 12-6PM.

New location! Lorang Theater at O'Gorman

VERY IMPORTANT: Unless you notify us otherwise by **February 1st** it is assumed your child is participating in the show and we will 1) order costume(s) for them which you will be obligated to pay for and 2) we will include them in the choreography. We sincerely hope to have 100% committed participation - it is such a great experience for the students to be able to showcase their investment of time, talent, and energy! Non-participation or withdrawal is discouraged - it goes against our mission.

Participation and costume fees will be charged to your account with **payment due February 15**. All associated fees are described below – please read carefully so you have a clear understanding.

Note: If a little more time is needed to pay the fees contact Miss Becky via email for arrangements.

Mandatory fees:

- \$30 participation fee per student. This fee helps to defray costs for putting on the show.
- \$30 costume fee per dance. Each class has their own unique dance and costume in the show. For example: If your child takes 2 ballet classes and 1 Hip Hop class per week, they will be in 3 dances and need 3 costumes. Cost would be \$90 (\$30 x 3). *Occasionally some costumes will slightly exceed the targeted \$30 budget which we will notify you if/when this happens. In addition, some costumes will require alterations which will be a slightly added cost if you are unable to alter them yourself. Luckily we have a core of parents that can do alterations at a nominal cost. These costs, if and when applicable will come later.*
- \$10 Adult/\$5 Student tickets. Tickets go on sale online beginning of May.

Discretionary fees:

- \$12 T shirts. A Tee shirt will be designed with our theme, logo, and all the students names on it to celebrate and promote the show. Order and payment due by April 1. More info to follow.
- Photos. A professional photographer will take group photos of each class in costume during a Preview Dress Rehearsal at studio (date to be announced). If desired, students may get individual photos taken to purchase. There's NO sitting fee. Package prices vary. More information to follow.
- \$30 DVD of the show. "Promotional Video" will professionally capture, edit, and produce copies of the performance that you can order online within 3 weeks before or after the show. READ ON >>

MORE ABOUT FEES: Costume & participation fees can be paid with cash, check, credit card, or ACH. Please place cash or check payments in payment drop box in office (checks payable to Dance 2 Studio). **And yes, you can pay for monthly tuition and these fees with one check – just note it on your check!** Credit card & ACH payments can be made online via your Parent Portal – convenience fees apply. **NOTE: If you are enrolled in AutoPay, we will run tuition payments on February 1 as usual and then run recital and costume fees on February 10 (unless you pay those with an alternate means prior to that date).**

MORE ABOUT COSTUMES: To order costumes, for your child we will need their clothing sizes and measurements recorded in the costume booklet in the waiting room. Please take a few minutes to stop at the studio BY JANUARY 31ST to provide us with this information. PLEASE- do not email, text, or call in this information. By the way - did you know that our studio's costume fees are the lowest compared with other studios? This is possible because we start by investing a lot of time shopping smart. Then by having volunteer parents put the finishing touches on costumes (embellishing, making headpieces, steaming, organizing, etc) a lot of extra expense is spared. So we need at least one volunteer from each class to help with costuming. If you wish to volunteer in this capacity, please sign up in the costume booklet. Thank you!

ABOUT REHEARSALS: All dances are rehearsed in classes beginning as early as February. Hopefully all students remain free from illness and other events that prevent them from attending dance regularly so they can be well prepared for performance! More specific details & timelines will be provided as things progress. In meantime, please refer to calendar below to help you stay organized.

Calendar of events & deadlines

February 1	Deadline to notify studio if NOT participating in recital
February 15	\$30 per costume fee and \$30 participation fee due.
Mar 30-Apr 4	Spring Break – no classes.
Apr 13	T shirt order & payment due - \$12 per T shirt.
May 1	Advance tickets go on sale. \$10 Adult/\$5 Student
May ?? TBA	Picture day & Preview Dress Rehearsal. 8:45a-3:30p
May 23-25	No classes – Memorial weekend observance.
May 30	No classes - Mandatory Dress rehearsal 12 – 6 pm.
May 31	Spring performance @ 2 pm.
Jun 6	Last day of classes for 2019-20 school year
Jun 8 – Jul 30	Weekly summer classes offered Mon,Tue,Wed & Thu evenings – schedule TBA
Jun 8-11	Princess Camps – offered daytime or evening
Jun 15-19	Ballet Bootcamp – schedule TBA – offered in daytime
Jun 22-26	Lyrical Bootcamp – schedule TBA – offered in daytime
Jun-Jul-Aug	Fall registration to be announced.