



## January/February Newsletter 2023

- ❖ **Costumes** are arriving and being tried on in class. We will hand out costumes once the entire class is paid in full, and then go over directions and alterations during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Parent's Watch Week being held Mon. March 6<sup>th</sup> – Sat. March 11<sup>th</sup> for all three studios. This is when teachers will go over all possible alterations, specific hair styles, and the shoes and accessories needed.
- ❖ **Frozen Dance Camp** – Held on Fridays, January 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-6:00pm for 3-6 year olds. This fun camp will include crafts, party games and creative movement centered around the Frozen movies. Sign up today to ensure your spot in class. Still a few spots left! Register online from the link on our website. The cost for this camp is \$80.
- ❖ **Studio Breaks** - The studio will be closed from Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> for February break. Classes will resume on Monday, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>. We will also be closed Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> – Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup> for Easter break. Classes will resume Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup>. All closings are part of our seasonal course fee.
- ❖ **Picture Days** – Picture days will be held at the studio April 17<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> during regular class times (Saturday dancers will be schedule earlier in the week). Dancers will have a half hour block per dance. They will take their photos for 15 minutes and then run their routine in the open studio for 15 minutes before going home/changing into their next costume. Picture day schedule to be in our March/April newsletter!
- ❖ **Recital Tickets** – We will once again be using DanceRecitalTicketing.com for our recital ticket sales. More info to come in our next newsletters about pricing and when they will go on sale. Recital ticket sales will open about one month prior to our recital day and will be sold exclusively online up until the day of the show.
- ❖ **Recital Fee** - A *nonrefundable* \$65 recital fee per single child or \$90 per family is due with February tuition. This fee assists with covering rehearsal time, lighting, scenery and venue/stage rental, labor, and other production costs associated with our annual recitals. The recital fee also includes a digital copy of our recital video for every family with the option to purchase a physical disc at an additional cost. We're excited that we will be going back to using *Candlelight Productions* this year for our video recording since we know they have always done such a great job.
- ❖ **Recital Performance Day** – Recitals will be held on **Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at Villa Maria College**. We will be holding three performances that will be shorter in length. Please note every effort will be made to keep similar levels and siblings in the same show. More details about recital assignments will be sent out soon.
- ❖ **Dress rehearsals** – Our Dress rehearsal schedule will be available in our March/April Newsletter. These rehearsals will be held at Villa Maria College on May 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. We will make every effort to keep similar classes on the same evening so you won't be coming to Villa Maria all three days, but with different faculty schedules we cannot guarantee anything until we get closer. All dancers must come with hair, makeup and costume on.
- ❖ **Music and Routine videos** – All recital songs will be emailed and shared to everyone's Parent Portals in January. We highly suggest sharing this with your children to practice with! We have also started sharing some videos of recital dances to the Parent Portals so that dancers have access to watch the choreography when practicing at home. If you need assistance accessing your parent portal account please let us know.
- ❖ **Competition Entry Fees** - All competitive students should have received their form outlining all competition fees for the 2023 season. These fees will be due no later than Mon. January 16<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ **Apparel & Dance Wear** – Our studio logo apparel sale is on-going with *Spot of Tee* and can be purchased anytime from the link on our website! Additionally, various leotards, leggings, tights, etc. can be purchased anytime from our *DSP Parent Portal Online Store* if you're ever in need of any new class wear.

