February 1, 2024 ARABESQUE SCHOOL OF DANCE NEWSLETTER

Tuition Payment

Just a friendly reminder about the Monthly payments. They are due the first week of each month. Please place in the lobby mailbox if paying with a check. A \$10.00 late fee will be added to your account if the tuition is not received by the second lesson of the month.

Special Days

*We will be celebrating Valentine's day on Thurs 2/8, Mon 2/12, Wed 2/14, for our rec classes. Competition teams will celebrate on their tap/jazz days on Thurs 2/8, Mon 2/12 and Tues 2/13. have Please the dancers wear something red or pink (leotard, ribbon in their hair, socks, etc.) to dance for Valentine's Day. If they want to bring a Valentine for their friends, teachers will let them hand them out at the end of class. (Store bought, no peanuts, individually wrapped).

*The week of Feb 26, dancers (Tiny Tots through 2nd grade recreation combo classes) can bring a doll/stuffie to dance with!

Costumes

All costumes have been ordered and will be arriving in late April. We will have the dancers try them on to see how they fit and if there is any additional work that needs to be done. Once they receive them, please do not let them play with them. We are planning for pictures the week following the recital, week of May 20 at ASD. More information will follow later this spring.

Reminders:

- If you are going to be gone, please notify the studio at 763 780 6075.
- If you have not ordered shoes for the spring recital, orders will be placed Feb. 9. All dancers must have the correct shoes to be in pictures AND in the spring recital.

- Please check the calendar in the lobby for special notices.
- We have a lost and found rack. Check the rack by the lockers if you are missing something. It is getting full! All items left after the Spring recital will be donated.
- Please make sure all shoes are labeled in case they are forgot at the studio and to ensure that dancers are not taking someone else's. Please label the inside of the shoes, not the underneath!
- <u>We will have classes on President's</u>
 <u>Day.</u>
- ASD will be closed for Spring Break from March 8 and there will not be any classes until we will resume on Monday, March 18.
- Please make sure that dancers are wearing appropriate dance clothing. Leotards, tights, dance shorts, etc. Please jeans and sweat pants are not allowed for all girl dancers. Hair needs to be pulled back and out of their face.
- Please do not walk on the dance floors with street shoes, they make a muddy mess and could cause the dancers to get hurt.
- Please do not have dancers wear jewelry to class, including necklaces, dangly earrings, smart watches, etc.
- The week of 1/29 we will have hearts available to write messages to their favorite dancers (parents to dancers, big/little sisters, etc.). You can post them on the lobby windows!
- Introduce yourself to our new admin, LouAnn Snell. She will be helping at the front desk. Welcome LouAnn!





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Year End Spring Recital Save the date:

Rehearsal - Friday 5/17

Shows - Sat 5/18 and Sun 5/19 at Blaine High School Auditorium. Times to be determined.

Plans are now underway for the year end dance recital. Look in upcoming newsletters for more information.

We do require each family to have a parent volunteer to work at one of the shows. Volunteers (Room Moms/Dads) will be able to watch your dancer from backstage and you will not need to purchase a ticket for the show you are volunteering at. Signup Sheets will be in the front lobby in April. It's very important that every family volunteers so we have enough helpers so that ALL dancers can participate! We appreciate your help!

Ticket sales will be available for purchase only on line starting April 29. Any remaining tickets will be sold at ASD the week of May 13 and at the door. We do not limit the amount of tickets for these recitals!

All dancers who paid for a costume and will be in the recital will receive an Arabesque recital t-shirt to wear in the finale. In the finale all students will be wearing their t-shirt and black leggings. Additional t-shirts for parents and siblings will be ordered in April.

Recital packets will be handed out in April. It will also have information about tickets, rehearsal, volunteering and the show itself. This is your opportunity to preorder t-shirts for your family members, DVD's, and more!

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Lobby Reminders

If you wish to remain in the lobby while classes are in session, please keep voices lowered. We ask that students do not arrive more than 5 minutes prior to the start of their class and should be immediately followina picked up classes. Also, make sure that wet shoes are removed before entering the dance room. There is a rug to place boots by the door. We are also asking that parents assist with pick up of dancers. We don't feel comfortable letting 8 and under go outside by themselves. If you are picking up please meet them at the outside door. Teachers are needed to clean for the next class to come in. Finally, check the lobby bulletin board. face book pages or on our website for weekly announcements.

Coming soon....Summer mini session classes. We will be offering technique classes, acro classes and our specialty and friends classes.

