

REMINDER OF IMPORTANT DATES

February 23	Hose Order Due	April 10-16	Spring Break-No Classes
March 19	Theme T-shirt Order Due	April 23	Accounts Paid In Full
April 6-9	Photography in Costume	April 25	Mebane Dogwood Festival
April 9	Recital Fee Due	May 4-7	Dress Rehearsals
		May 8-9	Programs

MINI SESSION

We have an 8 week mini session for beginners during the months of March and April. We always have students who can't wait till summer to dance or the family will be traveling during the summer and they want to start dancing before fall. Are any of your current students interested in adding a type of dance for those 2 months? The cost for a new student is \$74 for the 8 week session. However, our current students would only pay \$12 a month to add a 45 minute class during these months. If we have a sibling of a current student, we will deduct \$10 from the tuition making that family only pay \$64 for the session. The following are the classes offered. (We had trouble finding time when the studio rooms were not being used for our regular classes.)

Monday 5:00-5:45	Tap / Ballet	3-4 year olds	with Micki
Tuesday 9:30-10:15	Dance With Me	18 month – 2 year olds	with Kim
Tuesday 10:15-11:00	Tap / Ballet	3-4 year olds	with Kim
Tuesday 11:00-11:45	Acrobatics	2-4 year olds	with Micki
Tuesday 5:00-5:45	Jazz	4-5 year olds	with Meredith
Wed. 9:30-10:15	Tap / Ballet	3-4 year olds	with Micki
Wed. 10:15-11:00	Acrobatics	2-4 year olds	with Micki
Thursday 7:00-7:45	Tap / Ballet	4-6 year olds	with Micki

REHEARSAL AND PROGRAM DATES

Dress Rehearsal - May 4-7 at Williams High School in Burlington

Programs – May 8 and 9

Attached is a listing of your dress rehearsal day and time, your dressing room assignment, and the program assigned to each class. Find your class and highlight across. You will see your dressing room assignment, rehearsal time and the program in which your class will participate. There will be a picture on the bulletin board showing the location of the dressing rooms so you can have an idea of the auditorium layout before you arrive. We worked trying to get families in the same show. Of course, we didn't succeed. Dress rehearsals are designed to give you as short a time at Williams as possible. We try to stay as close to times as we can, but often find the time problems are beyond our control. We hope you will enjoy all the shows you are assigned to attend. Each one is a variety of ages, types of dance and designed to be entertaining. We're enjoying teaching our students and look forward to them showing their talents to their friends and family. There is no admission charge so that the students may invite everyone. Your \$25 recital fee helps with the program costs and allows unlimited guests. You will receive an information sheet about rehearsals and programs in March along with the program order for each show. You will also receive more information about photography and videos.

April 6-9 Group and Individual Photography in costume during your class time – (More Information in March)

Group and individual photography in costume will be scheduled for April 6-9. Come to class in your costume on April 6-9 and during your regular class time students will have group pictures made and rehearse their program routine in costume. Please participate in the group picture even if you don't plan to buy a picture. Students will want the entire class to look at in the years to come. We also want you on our picture board – new students love to find students they know. Individuals may have pictures made while groups are not using the room. The photographer is confident that all individuals may have their pictures made while in costume for their group picture. Before or after your group, let the photographer's assistant know that you would like an individual and she will fit you into the schedule. Parents will have a form to fill out and have ready at the time the photos are taken.

This is a great time for us to make sure all costume parts are placed alike on all the students and have hair styles correct. In March you will receive an information sheet about the photography packages available with cost. Many of you know our photographer. Chris Rimmer, with Moments In Time, has photographed many of your children at pre school and ball teams. We loved the quality work he showed us and have only heard wonderful things about his work. We're excited to have him photograph our students this year. His 100% satisfaction guarantee will be appreciated by all our parents.

Gifts for End of Program: Jo will have gifts and balloons available as end of the program gifts for your special dancer at the studio in April and also for sale in the Williams High School lobby during performances.

B & H Trophies will be at dress rehearsals May 4-7 (Monday thru Thursday) at Williams High School. We will have definite times listed in your March packet of program information. Pick out and pay for your trophy gift at rehearsals and it will be on a table in the back of the auditorium, engraved and ready for you to pick up at our shows May 8 and 9. You may then present the gift to your child at the end of the shows.

Video – Information on our professional video will be in your March packet of Program material. We have a professional video our shows. You may video and take pictures during rehearsals but during programs any photography is prohibited. We sign a contract that we will not allow students to be videoed during performances.

COMPETITIONS

SPIRIT CHEER COMPETITION

Spirit had a wonderful day at Guilford College in Greensboro at their first competition of the season. They came home with lots of memories, a 4th place trophy and the Award of Excellence. Their next competitions are: February 22 at the Greensboro Coliseum and March 7.

STARS COMPETITION

Our Centre Stars start their competition on March 27-29 in Albemarle, April 24-26 in Supply and May 1-3 in Greensboro.

STATEMENT

Reminder - Statements include the tuition for the next month. The balance is not due yet but is a reminder of items due in the future. There will be a \$15 late fee on the statement if there are past due items listed. Ways to pay: 1) cash – get receipt 2) check 3) credit or debit card if the amount is more than \$10. You may put checks in the gold slot beside the office window or pay the receptionist or in office. You may also fill out a credit card authorization form and Jo will automatically credit your account each month.

NEWS OF STUDENTS AND STAFF

UNCSA - Some of our students took class in Winston-Salem at the University of North Carolina School of the Arts during the week-end of February 20-22 at the Winter Festival. Hannah Black, Abbigayle Brandenburg, Aysia Bradsher, Mackenzie Brown, Veronique Faucette, Bailey Foust, Blair Foust, Talie Patalano, Morgan Rudd and Sommer Smith took class in ballet technique, character, jazz and modern. Veronique and Mackenzie and their moms also enjoyed the performance the NCSA students present at the Stevens Center on Feb. 21. A wonderful week-end with lots of dance leave students energized excited about ballet and tired.

Twin Lakes – Some of our students and moms are continuing their visits to Twin Lakes to interact with residents. The March dates are the 5th and 19th at 11:00. Anabelle Coffey (4) has made friends with Paul (92). Paul lives at the Memory Center and Anabelle and her mom have visited Paul every week during February. What wonderful times for both Anabelle and Paul.

District Level Reflections – Talie Patalano dance choreography entry in the PTA sponsored Reflections cultural arts program won at the county level and the district level. The district level entry included entries from Stokes, Rockingham, Caswell, Person, Forsyth, Guilford, Alamance, Orange, Davidson, Randolph and Chatham. Talie’s entry will now go to the state level. We love to see our students use their talents. By the way, Talie has also been selected into the All County Chorus for Guilford County. CoPA is lucky to have students who strive to do their best – thanks parents for allowing us the chance to see them grow and enjoy the arts.

NO JEANS ARE TO BE WORN TO CLASSES
NO GUM IN CLASS
PLEASE HAVE STUDENTS HAIR PULLED FROM THEIR FACE FOR ALL CLASSES!!

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

We offer birthday parties in a variety of types of dance and themes.

Acrobatics Ballet Jazz Hip Hop Clogging

- We come 15-30 minutes early so you may personalize the party room with any table coverings, decorations and balloons you wish. (We provide a table for refreshments and birthday cake and a table for presents. There is even a cooler if you need one.)
- Our staff “dances” with the birthday person and friends for 45 minutes in another room. We cater the active part of the party to the birthday theme, age of child, and whether girl or boy. Some of the past themes have been: princess, Spiderman, Strawberry Shortcake, balls, costume dress up, western, circus, zoo, Ariel, Dora, and Peter Pan.
- For the additional 45 minutes you use as you wish with opening presents, eating food, cutting the cake and any games you wish.
- Clean up is easy since our staff begins straightening the studio and taking out trash as you pack your car with the items you brought.
- Cost: \$105.00 for 1 ½ hours of party time for 10 children. There is a small fee for additional children.

Call us if you are interested in booking a party __ we’d love to party with you.