



DXD May Newsletter

Dear DXD Family,

This is a very exciting time of year for all of us, and I am so excited to see everyone shine on stage. The children have been working so hard perfecting their routines for our big show. This newsletter has a ton of helpful information about the recital and I hope it answers any questions you may have. If I left anything out please don't hesitate to ask.

As many of you are aware, I have injured my ACL and I will be having surgery on May 28th. I will be away from the studio for a few days, but I want to assure you that your children will be very well taken care of. I have hired some new teachers, and I know you are going to love them. I would like to extend a warm welcome to all new staff members. As soon as I can be back on my feet, I will be at the studio monitoring what is going on and preparing everyone for our recital. If you have any questions or concerns about the upcoming recital, please feel free to contact me, as I will be happy to discuss your concerns.

New Staff

Miss Caitlin is a dance major at DeSales University and will be joining the DXD Faculty for the remainder of the year, while she is home from school. She has won numerous awards at regional and national dance competitions.

Miss Nikki is a senior at Newton High School and an amazing dancer. She is going to Rutgers College next year as a dance major. She was the lead this year in her school play and frequently takes classes in New York City. This summer she will be attending the Alvin Ailey Summer Intensive program in NYC. Miss Nikki is also one of Miss Dee's former students.

Miss Tiffany is a senior at Montclair State University where she majors in Dance and Dance Education. Miss Tiffany has experience teaching ballet, jazz and tap. She will be joining the DXD Staff for the rest of the year.

Recital News

The recital will be held on June 28th at Franklin Elementary School at 4:00. The curtain call time is one hour before the show, so students should arrive at the school no later than 3:00. I like to meet with all DXD Students 30 minutes prior to the show back stage for a warm up and Pep Rally/Pixie Dusting.

The tickets will be \$13 each and can be pre ordered starting May 15th. Junes tuition must be paid in full to receive recital tickets. Anyone who is sitting in a seat will need to purchase a ticket. Strollers are not permitted in the isles of the auditorium, as it is a fire hazard.

Dress Rehearsal

The Dress rehearsal is scheduled for June 26th at the Franklin School. It is very important that all students come to dress rehearsal. Students should arrive dressed and in full make-up at their scheduled time. It is the only time they will be able to go on stage to find spacing, practice and calm nerves. If you cannot attend dress rehearsal, please inform the front desk immediately. A schedule for dress rehearsal will be forth coming. Thank you for your cooperation.

P.S. Pray for a speedy recovery and successful surgery for me on May 28th!



Video Taping

Video taping is not permitted during the recital, however video taping is allowed during the dress rehearsal. Valley Video will be taping the recital again this year and VHS/DVD's can be purchased for \$35. Please fill out an order form if you are interested in purchasing a video.

Boosters

The DXD Company is selling boosters for the recital program this year. It is an excellent opportunity to send your dancer a note of encouragement for all their hard work or advertise your business. There are extra flyers in the lobby. Deadline for boosters is May 30th.

Recital T-Shirts

This year's one-of-a-kind recital T-shirt has been designed by our very own Miss Linda. The T-shirts will have all DXD students listed on the back. T-Shirts will be \$20 each and **must** be ordered by June 2nd. There will not be any extra T-shirts ordered, if you do not place an order.

Flowers

For your convenience beautiful rose bouquets will be available to order for your child. They will

be delivered backstage, during the show so students may bring them on stage during our finale. Each bouquet is only \$8. All orders must be placed by June 2nd. Please order ahead of time to ensure availability.



Student Spotlight

May's student spotlight is shining on Katelyn Benecki. Katelyn is a very talented young lady; she takes Hip-Hop, Ballet/Lyrical and is one of our student assistants. She recently attended a 7 hour dance workshop in Atlantic City and came back to the studio full of zest and fire. Katelyn has also been inducted into the National Honor Society. Miss Dawn and I are so proud of her.

Summer Camps

This summer we are offering several exciting summer camp opportunities:

- Dancing Diva
- Princess Camp
- Dance Boot Camp
- Musical Theater Camp

We are currently taking registration and class size is limited, please register early to ensure a place in class. There are extra brochures in the lobby.

Class Recommendations

We take very careful consideration into the placement of students in classes. We want to ensure that every child is placed in a class where they will grow and develop at an appropriate pace. We are finalizing our schedule for next year and we will be mailing out class recommendations the first week of June. If you do not receive one by June 15th, please let us know.

Company

The DXD Company is designed for dedicated and focused dancers who make dance their main after school activity. The DXD Company is by invitation only. Being a company member requires more hours of class than a recreational dancer. The invitations for the company will be mailed out the first week of June.

Belly Dancing Class

The first 6 week session of Belly Dancing was so successful that we are offering another session. If you are interested please ask at the desk.

