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# September/October 2016 NEWSLETTER

## **PARENT WEEK**

Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> through Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> Please attend classes. Meet the teachers and get information about costumes and 2017 Recital.

We hope all students are enjoying their classes now that we are back in the swing of things. Some students are being shifted around so that class sizes are reasonable and students are placed properly. Students that are asked to change classes are being moved for their benefit, now that the teachers have seen the level of the students within each group. All returning students should have a good idea of what to expect as the year goes on in regard to classes and end of year recital.

As stated in the registration newsletter which you received upon registration, students planning to be in the June recital must place a <u>non-refundable</u> recital fee and a <u>costume</u> <u>deposit</u> for each class they are ordering a costume for no later than Oct. 29. The balance will be due in February.

Showtime 2017 is planned for June 24 with mandatory dress rehearsals the preceding week. A form will be handed out on parent week which will clarify recital production and costume fees and it must be returned by all students by October 29 regardless of whether they are in the recital.

# **AVOID LATE FEES!!**

All accounts should be set on recurring payments through our studio director program. If you make monthly payments online, please remember that automatically at midnight on the fifth of the month, a \$25.00 late fee is added!

We would like to remind you that your tuition must be received prior to the first of each calendar month. Students are automatically enrolled thru June 2017 unless we receive two weeks' written notice to withdraw them from class. Any payments that are declined or any payments made after the fifth day of the month will be assessed a late fee of \$25.00.

#### **CALENDAR**

All students should have received a calendar for the year at registration. You are reminded we will be <u>OPEN</u> Columbus Day, Election Day, and Veterans Day. NO CLASSES-HALLOWEEN, OCT. 31 or FALL BREAK – November 24-30. Complete calendar is on our website.

IF YOU REFER A NEW STUDENT TO OUR STUDIO THIS MONTH, YOU WILL RECEIVE A \$20.00 CREDIT!

# **BRING A FRIEND TO DANCE WEEK**

October 17-22<sup>nd</sup>!

### **DRESS UP WEEK**

October 24-29 Wear old dance costumes to class! Closed Monday, Oct. 31 – Halloween

#### TRY OUT A NEW CLASS!

Students currently registered can try out an additional subject one time this month at no charge. There is still room in many classes of ballet, tap, jazz, acro, musical theater, and hip hop

ADULTS – We have openings in ballet, jazz, hip hop, and tap! Bring a friend and join the fun! Try our Zumba classes!! Join the party with Hilary at 10 am Monday-Wednesday-Friday. First Class FREE!

We also remind you that by now, all students should have proper shoes for all classes. If you have not found shoes, we can order them for you. BE SURE STUDENT'S NAME IS IN ALL SHOES.

We hope you have had the opportunity to meet our staff. All teachers are profiled on our website.

**TEACHERS:** Wendy Chicas, Chris Collins, Meghan Everett, Tiffany Hopper, Jennifer Meyer, Michelle Timberlake, and our newest teachers– Crystina Sowell and Nadina Wright!

**OFFICE:** Vickie Collins, Michelle Burkes, Marcia Herzog, Maggie Mairena, Beth Vasquez

If you are on Facebook, Please "like" the Chris Collins Dance Studio FB page. We also have a Chris Collins Dance Studio Facebook GROUP for current students where you can share pictures and keep in touch. Our website has much more information about our studio. Check our site regularly. If you have any questions about our dance program, Dance Company, or anything else, please call the office, or Email the director - chris@chriscollinsdance.com