



# April Newsletter

2019

## Happy Spring!

I don't know about you, but Spring has been such a welcome thing for me this year! It's wonderful when you don't have to bundle the kids up to come to the studio, and mom and dad can go for a walk outside while the kids are in class. Spring is also a special time in the dance world. Competition Teams are in full performance mode, Recreational dancers are busy perfecting their recital dances, and the studio staff is busy obsessing over every little detail to make each element of the season flawless for the students and audience. Recital is FAST approaching — May 3rd & 4th!! The next several weeks are going to be full of information — read on for all of the details!

### Congratulations to the Competition Team!

I want to recognize the Fusion Competition Team for their hard work this season. Their first competition was Midwest Starz in Davenport March 2nd, and they concluded their season over the weekend in Des Moines at Nexstar Dance Competition. We came home with some recognition at each competition, which I know made the girls very happy, and I was certainly proud of their performances. More importantly to me, however, is the classy and respectful way Fusion was represented at these events. Our choreography, costuming, and make-up is 100% age appropriate. Our dancers are kind, and our families are encouraging. This team is amazing, and I am so proud. Members of the 2018-2019 Team are: Isabel Thurn, Ana Clark, Keeley Curran, Mikayla Hiner, Chloe Everett, Ella Beyer, Avery Meyer, Evelyn Thurn, and Kaia Engelhardt. Their pieces will be performed at the Spring show.

If your dancer is interested in being a part of the team next season, feel free to contact me about options and opportunities.

### Summer Dance Registration

This summer, Fusion is bringing you "The Greatest Show!" Classes are available for ages 3-high school, and registration is open now! Check out the registration link for more information, and contact the office via email with any questions!

Follow this link to register: <https://forms.gle/VqM8N4iMNb83MsAu5>

### Registration for the 2019-2020 Dance Season

We love having you as a part of the Fusion Family. We want to make sure we have the classes available next fall to serve you best; if you know you'll be returning in the fall, let us know so we save a space for you! This link will go live in the Facebook News & Notes group on Friday, April 5th.

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## RECITAL INFORMATION

### Schedule for the week of April 22

There was originally a dress rehearsal scheduled for this week, but I'm plugging make-up classes in here instead. In this schedule, look at the day and time, and the classes listed will be during that time. EVERY class has two class times that week.

#### **Monday, April 22**

| <u>Rehearsal Time</u> | <u>Class</u>                            |
|-----------------------|---|
| 4:15pm                | Monday 4:15 & Wednesday 4:30            |
| 5:15pm                | Monday 5:15, Tuesday 6:15, Tuesday 6:45 |
| 5:45pm                | Monday 5:45 & Monday 4:15               |
| 6:45pm                | Monday 6:45 & Wednesday 6:00            |

#### **Tuesday, April 23**

| <u>Rehearsal Time</u> | <u>Class</u>                            |
|-----------------------|---|
| 4:15pm                | Tuesday 4:15 & Thursday 4:15            |
| 5:15pm                | Tuesday 5:15 & Monday 5:45              |
| 6:15pm                | Monday 5:15, Tuesday 6:15, Tuesday 6:45 |

#### **Wednesday, April 24**

| <u>Rehearsal Time</u> | <u>Class</u>                |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| 4:30pm                | Wednesday 430 & Tuesday 415 |
| 6:00pm                | Wednesday 600 & Monday 645  |

#### **Thursday, April 25**

| <u>Rehearsal Time</u> | <u>Class</u>               |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 4:15pm                | Thursday 415 & Tuesday 515 |

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I know that as Springtime activities rev up, and the school year winds down, people's schedules begin to change. We are heading into the homestretch of dance 2018-2019...but that means that we are almost to a PERFORMANCE. Dancers' attendance at these Dress Rehearsals, as well as their REGULAR classes, is SO IMPORTANT! There is a spot for each individual dancer in every piece. Please make sure they are at the studio, so we can present our best work at our Spring Show!



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## Studio Pictures Wednesday, May 1st \*Held at the Studio\*

Studio pictures capture group photos of each class in their costumes, and they move relatively quickly. Jeff Barker from the Starmont area has taken our pictures for the past several years and does a great job. He only charges \$5 per dancer, and then we are free to download and print whatever and however much we'd like!

### Schedule

- 4:30pm** Monday 4:15 Class
- 4:45pm** Wednesday 4:30 Class
- 5:00pm** Monday 5:45 Class
- 5:15pm** Tuesday 5:15 Class
- 5:30pm** Tuesday 4:15 Class
- 5:45pm** Thursday 4:15 Class
- 6:00pm** Monday 5:15 Class
- 6:15pm** Tuesday 6:15 Class
- 6:30pm** Tuesday 6:45 Class
- 7:00pm** Monday 6:45 Class
- 7:15pm** High School Class
- 7:30pm** Marin, Annie, Kesley, Audrey...and any extras.

ALL costume pieces and shoes must have their name inside!

All dancers 1st -12th should come with their black tank and spandex already on. We'll let them know when they've arrived which costume piece(s) to layer on.

Bring costumes in a small plastic tote with lid (tutu on a hanger). This system works SO WELL for dancers with multiple costume pieces, and it helps them stay organized backstage! (Preschool & kindergarten dancers will be in their costume the whole time and do not need a tote).

ALL dancers need to bring \$5 for pictures.

Hair should be pulled back off the face. This does NOT include JUST a headband. Hair MUST be secured. 1st-12th graders need to have their hair in a low ponytail. Preschool & kindergarten can do as you like. This can be a ponytail, half-pony tail, or braid.



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## Recital Week Schedule

**Monday, 4/29** — DAY OFF! Enjoy this...because the rest of the week is FULL!!

**Tuesday, 4/30** — DRESS REHEARSAL at the STUDIO

ALL Dancers should arrive ready to go at 5pm. We will be taking the full group photo at 5:15. Dancing will begin at 5:30, and we will be done by 7:30. You will receive detailed information of what all the dancers need to bring to this rehearsal, including costume reminders and hair/make-up instructions; for right now, just make sure this is blocked off in your schedule!

**Wednesday, 5/1** — STUDIO PICTURES!

\*\*See the schedule and instructions for pictures on page 3!

**Thursday, 5/2** — DRESS REHEARSAL at Ed-Co High School

ALL Dancers should arrive ready to go at 5pm. Dancing will begin at 5:30, and we will be done by 7:30. You will receive detailed information of what all the dancers need to bring to this rehearsal, including costume reminders and hair/make-up instructions; for right now, just make sure this is blocked off in your schedule!

**Friday, 5/3** — RECITAL at Ed-Co High School

ALL Dancers should arrive ready to go at 6:30 pm. Performance at 7:00pm.

\*Run time of the recital is approximately 1 hour.

**Saturday, 5/4** — RECITAL at Ed-Co High School

ALL Dancers should arrive ready to go at 2:00pm. Performance at 2:30pm

\*Run time of the recital is approximately 1 hour.

Thank you for reading all the way through this newsletter! If you've made it all the way through, do the following to be entered into a drawing to win a 4-pack of tickets to the recital: —Send a message to Fusion DanceWorks on Facebook with YOUR dancer's picture time on Wednesday, May 1st! Recital tickets go on sale April 10!

Thank you so much for your support this season; now, let's finish strong!

-Miranda