

February 2023

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Happy February, all!

This year is really flying by! I can't believe it's already February and we're getting closer to our Spring Recital! With that, now is the time we start sending you all of the information you need for that Spring Show; find much of that information right here in this newsletter!

### Studio Pictures

We are so excited to have the fabulous Jeff Barker taking our studio pictures once again this season! Studio pictures will take place the week of April 10th. Specific schedules will be detailed and sent to you by the end of February. Dancers will be photographed in full costume with hair and make-up done just as they will have for the show. Instructions on hairstyles will be sent out soon. Cost for the pictures is covered in your Spring Picture fee, and covers a full copyright release of all photos. They will be uploaded to a Google folder for you to download and print as you please.

### All Accounts Current

All accounts need to be paid in full by March 26th for the dance season. No worries - if you're on the installment plan, you'll have it all taken care of with your regular payments. But please check the Parent Portal to see if you're carrying an additional balance for the season.

### Summer Camps

Registration for our Summer Camps is open! Head to your [parent portal](#) to see all your options and to register.

### About our Spring Show

This is without doubt the highlight of our year and we are giddy with excitement to show you how hard our dancers have been working! This year our Spring Show will be held at the Elkader Opera House on May 6th. In order for us to give all students as much stage-time as possible, we have divided our classes into separate shows. We know that our dancers love to perform their routines and show off their hard work as much as possible, and we are thrilled to be able to offer more seating and ticket opportunities by dividing our Spring Show into groups. There will be TWO performances: SHOW A at 10:30am and SHOW B at 2:30pm. See page 3 for the lineup of each show!

Tickets will go on sale on April 1st – and must be purchased from the Elkader Opera House's ticketing service, Booktix. To ensure our dancers get to perform and show off their hard work to a full audience, we have kept ticket prices very reasonable. Adult tickets are \$10-\$20, depending on location in the theatre. Children's tickets (Aged 4-12 years) are priced at \$8 each. We do not charge for children under 3 years old to attend, unless they will be occupying their own seat. This year, tickets to view our LIVESTREAM will also be available!

### Mark Your Calendar

#### Summer Camp Registration Opens:

Feb 6

**Final Tuition Payment Due:** March 6

**All Accounts Current:** March 26

**Recital Tickets On Sale:** April 1

**Studio Pictures:** Week of April 10

**Dress Rehearsal SHOW A:** May 2

**Dress Rehearsal SHOW B:** May 4

**Spring Recital Performances:** May 6 at the Elkader Opera House

**Deadline to join 2023-2024 Comp Team:** May 15

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## About our Spring Show continued...

The opportunity to perform in a Spring Show is an exciting, empowering and confidence-building part of your time at our studio. This is where we love to watch our students learn about the theatre, rehearsals and teamwork while they enjoy the opportunity to showcase their skills in a professionally run production. Recitals are a wonderful way for students to showcase the results of their hard work and for family and friends to join in the pride of their achievement. We love giving all students the chance to perform for their family and friends in this supportive and fun environment, and encourage even our youngest and newest performers to be involved. If there is any reason why your child will not be able to perform at the Spring Show on the dates and times provided, please let us know so we can prepare their classes appropriately.

In terms of attendance, it is very important that students do not miss any of their scheduled classes between now and Spring Show time so they can spend their rehearsal time together to perform their routines, feel confident and look amazing. If for any reason your child will miss any of their regular classes, we ask that you contact us to let us know in advance. Please note that, unfortunately, any families with unpaid dance or costume fees will not be allowed to participate in our Spring Show. All accounts must be paid in full by March 26th.

## Dress Rehearsals

Here at Fusion DanceWorks, dress rehearsals are a super important part of preparing for our Spring Show. This is where we get to see the costumes working on stage in a group to really compliment the dances your children have been working so hard on throughout the year. It gives us a chance to make any adjustments and ensure that everyone has time to get ready between their dances. We can see if any dancers are missing shoes, costume pieces, or other accessories.

Even more importantly, it gives the stars of our show a chance to get up and rehearse on the big stage – a very different environment than they are used to within the studio walls. They can overcome some of the jitters that may hit when the bright lights come on and really prepare themselves for the show ahead. It is a fun and rewarding experience and a great chance to play with their friends and watch some inspiring dancers as they wait for their turn in the spotlight.

## Volunteers Needed

We will need 1-2 parents from each class to help at each performance! Parents and staff members who are volunteering to help at the Spring Show will also need to be available for Dress Rehearsal day to ensure they understand their roles and can see how everything will be run on show day. Please take a look at this link and sign up if you're able to help: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C4CAEA92FA64-volunteers1> THANK YOU!

This is a LOT of information! We will be talking more about it in the months to come and sending out more information so you and your dancer are ready for our Spring Show. If you have a question that is NOT covered by this newsletter, please let me know.

Keep Dancing -  
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## Recital Week Schedule Monday, May 1 – Saturday, May 6

This will be a busy week! All activities will take place AT the Elkader Opera House. We will NOT meet at the studio at all this week! Dancers should bring along all of their costumes, hair and makeup items for the show. This includes all necessary dance shoes!

Students will be signed into the venue upon arrival by their responsible parent or guardian. Once signed in, parents and guardians can leave as we will have staff and volunteers on hand. Students cannot leave the premises without being signed out by a parent or guardian.

### Monday, May 1st

NOTHING. Enjoy a day off!

### Tuesday, May 2nd

5:30pm - ALL Show A – Dress rehearsal at the Opera House

Students will need to arrive by 5:30pm - the rehearsal will begin at 6:00pm. We will be finished by 7:30pm.

### Wednesday, May 3th

NOTHING. Enjoy a day off!

### Thursday, May 4th

5:30pm - ALL Show B – Dress rehearsal at the Opera House

Students will need to arrive by 5:30pm - the rehearsal will begin at 6:00pm. We will be finished by 7:30pm.

### Friday, May 5th

NOTHING. Enjoy a day off!

### Saturday MORNING, May 6th – SHOW A

All dancers should arrive backstage by 10:00am ready to go. Show begins at 10:30am!

### Saturday, AFTERNOON, May 6th – SHOW B

All dancers should arrive backstage by 2:00pm ready to go. Show begins at 2:30pm!

**SPRING SHOW ANNOUNCEMENT**  
ELKADER OPERA HOUSE  
MAY 6, 2023

Show A 10:30am	Performers	Show B 2:30pm	Performers
Tuesday 3rd-5th Ballet/Jazz, Hip Hop, & Acro	Tuesday 1st-2nd Jazz/Tap & Acro	Monday 1st-2nd Hip hop, Jazz/Tap, and Ballet	Monday Preschool
Wednesday Preschool	Wednesday 1st-2nd Ballet	Thursday 1st/2nd Ballet & Hip Hop	Thursday 3rd-5th Ballet/Jazz
Wednesday Kinder Ballet, Jazz/Hip Hop, & Acro	Friday Preschool	ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL	
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