CDC's May Newsletter

Hello parents and dancers!

As we enter our final month of dance, we are all buzzing with excitement. The dancers are excited to learn the grand finale and hit the stage to perform for you! As a reminder, our final dance classes are very important as we review choreography and stretch our memorization so the dancers can perform confidently without us. Please be sure they are at class, early and ready to learn. Please continue to bring all shoes to class with you. Please label shoes if you have not.

This newsletter contains extremely important information about rehearsals, parent meeting, tickets and the recital itself. Please be sure you go through it carefully and as always, you can access it on our website if you misplace your hard copy.

As a final reminder, please be sure that your dancer is wearing dance appropriate clothing to practice, with hair being pulled off of the face. Even if your dancer's hair is short, it needs to be contained with clips, pins or headbands for practice. Thank you!

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Pep Elite had a great time at the Cathedral Dance Festival in Eden Prairie, MN., May 3-4. They took master classes, seminars, and performed their two groups routines and two solos in front of adjudicators who gave us very helpful and positive feedback. Out of 206 performances, 10 were chosen to perform in the evening's gala concert and we were honored to have our Hip Hop routine, "No Chains," chosen! Haylee Whiting, one of our assistant instructors, was also chosen as an honorable mention for Young Emerging Student Choreographer. Her solo was in the top 3 of 21 student choreography pieces and we are so proud! We had a wonderful time and are looking forward to our upcoming competition!

Important Dates and Times

All Monday and Tuesday classes are held as scheduled and at the studio unless listed below.

Thursday May 9: Sixth Group Competition Rehearsal for Lyrical Dance from 4:00-6:00 PM

<u>Wednesday May 15:</u> Sixth Group and Pep Elite dancer/parent meeting about competition at 4:30 PM. The groups will rehearse from 5:00-8:00 PM. This is a full dress rehearsal so dancers should have makeup and hair done and costumes/shoes on. Bring a snack or healthy dinner along, as well as water.

<u>Friday May 17 - Sunday May 19:</u> Sixth Group and Pep Elite compete at Celebration Talent Competition held at the Performing Arts Center at Bay Port High School in Howard. Times will be given as soon as we are notified by the competition.

Monday May 20 and Tuesday May 21: First-Fifth Group Parents can come 10 minutes early to record dances so your child can practice at home ☺

<u>Thursday May 23:</u> Makeup class that was scheduled at the beginning of the year; groups have been determined.

- 4:00-4:50 PM~ Second Group
- 5:00-6:00~Third Group
- 5:00-6:15 PM~ Fourth Group
- 6:30-8:00 PM~ Fifth Group and Sixth Group

Monday May 27: No Dance Classes (Memorial Day)

Tuesday May 28: Regular Tuesday Classes

<u>Thursday May 30</u>: (no costumes needed) Held at the Oconto Falls High School Field House, New Gym (Parents are allowed to stay and watch this rehearsal) Please enter by the commons doors; please have your child wear regular dance practice attire and ballet or jazz shoes.

- 5:00-5:45 PM~ EVERYONE- ALL GROUPS- GRAND FINALE REHEARSAL
- 5:45-6:30 PM~ Perfect Attendance Awards for Sixth Group and Pep Elite, Final Dancer of the Month Awards, and Parent Meeting (One parent must be present from each family. You will be receiving a recital handbook with more specific information such as what to wear to dress rehearsal, snack info, backstage dressing info, etc.)
- 6:30-8:15 PM~ Sixth Group and Pep Elite Alternating; this includes senior solos. You can bring a dinner to eat or eat before you come; make sure you have water!

Monday June 3: Regular Monday Classes

<u>Tuesday June 4: Rehearsal</u> (no costumes needed) Performing Arts Center in Oconto Falls High School Please have your child wear regular dance practice attire and bring both pairs of shoes.

- 4:30-5:30 PM~ First Group (Monday and Tuesday class)
- 5:30-6:15 PM~ EVERYONE- ALL GROUPS- GRAND FINALE REHEARSAL
- 6:15-6:45 PM~ Fourth Group
- 6:45-8:30 PM~ Fifth Group, Sixth Group, and Pep Elite alternating

Friday June 7: Full Dress Rehearsal at the Performing Arts Center in Oconto Falls High School

- Everyone needs to be dressed in their first costume (which will be listed in the recital handbook) and seated in the PAC with all costumes, shoes, and accessories with a parent by 5:00 PM. We will be starting at 5:00 PM sharp, introducing our backstage assistants and then moving into the dressing areas one group at a time with a parent. This is the only time boys/men will be allowed backstage, since all the dancers will already be dressed.
- The rehearsal, depending on how smoothly everything goes will end around 7:30 PM. All costumes, shoes and accessories will be left in the dressing rooms overnight. Please bring a set of clothes along to go home in, including a different pair of underwear. Tights and underwear should be taken home to be washed. The new pair of tights should be saved for the recital day itself, but having the rehearsal tights along is a good backup.

Saturday June 8: 18th Annual Spring Recitals

Held at the Oconto Falls Performing Arts Center in Oconto Falls High School

- Dancers arrive at 1:00 PM/Building doors open
- PAC doors will open at 1:30 PM
- Recital will start promptly at 2:00 PM

Please Note: Every dancer receives a Recital DVD as part of their tuition fee. It will be mailed to the home address of the child after they have been edited and created. If someone wants to purchase extras, an order form will be sent via email. Thanks!

CDC Recital Ticket Order Form

Due on or before Tuesday May 21!

Place in the pink holder at class in the entrance or mail to 11933 Ucil Lake Road, Pound WI 54161. If after the 21st, you can purchase tickets at the recital, however, we recommend getting them in advance as we have more students this year and want everyone to have a spot to enjoy the show! It will likely be a sold out!

Name of Dancer:	
Name of Parent:	
Phone Number:	
Email:	

Children 3 and under are free, but will need a ticket if they sit in their own chair. Please clarify this when filling out the bottom. Children 4-12 are \$3.00. Ages 13 and up are \$5.00.

Recital- Saturday June 8 at 2:00 PM

# of Child Tick	tets X \$3.00 = Total Child Cost:	
# of Adult Tick	ets X \$5.00 = Total Adult Cost:	
Total Amount:	Payment (cash or check):	
Please make	all check out to the Christian Dance Company. Thank you! ©	

^{***} If you need wheelchair seating/assistance for the recital, please email Tina at <u>tinak@christiandancecompany.com</u> by Tuesday May 21st as well. We need to let the PAC manager so they can have the appropriate seating prepared in advance. Thank you.