
THE BLUR

October 2017

Recital Dates

Our annual recital (two performances) will take place on Saturday, June 16, 2018 with rehearsals on Thursday, June 14 and Friday, June 15. Dancers must be present at rehearsal in order to perform in the show. Both the rehearsal and recital will take place at Flat Rock High School.

Costumes

If you prefer to pay for recital costumes in three installments (October, November, and December) please begin doing so with your October tuition payment, if payment is not received, it will be assumed that you are opting for a lump sum costume payment in December.

For children 10 years old (by Oct 1) and under, the costume fee is \$55 for each class. For children 11 years old (by Oct 1) and over, the costume fee is \$65 per class taken.

Costumes must be paid-in-full by December 21 or they will not be ordered!

In February a charge of \$10/class will be added to your account for tights.

Costume Measuring

This year we are going to try a new approach to costume measurements. During Costume Measurement Week (November 6-9) we are asking that a parent or guardian stay for the first part of class. Parents will be instructed to measure and size their own dancer. We are hoping this will reduce the amount of class time spent on measuring and give parents the opportunity to select their dancers costume size.

Monthly Themes

Each month all classes will focus on a specific theme that relates to proper dance technique or performance. The monthly theme is hanging in the waiting area so you can ask your dancer what the concept is and how it impacts their dancing.

Ms. Yvonne on Maternity Leave

Ms. Yvonne will be out on maternity leave for the month of December (assuming everything goes as planned). In her absence, Ms. Kelly (former In Focus staff, current choreographer for Convergence Dance Company with over 10 years of dance teaching experience and a Kindergarten teacher) will be covering her classes. Ms. Yvonne will miss everyone but knows the dancers will have a great time with Ms. Kelly!

Focus Rewards

Instructors will again be handing out blue "Focus Rewards" as additional incentive this year. The certificates are given to dancers who exhibit exceptional effort or achievement. Slips should be handed in to Ms. Laurie after class and at the end of the month a dancer's name will be drawn. The chosen dancer will receive a prize. As always, all dancers who have done their best will continue to receive a stamp at the end of class in recognition of their hard work!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<i>Oct 9</i>	Warm-up Orders Due
<i>Oct 24-30</i>	Wear your Halloween Costume
<i>Oct 31</i>	Studio Closed - Halloween
<i>Nov 6-9</i>	Measure for Costumes
<i>Nov 22-26</i>	Studio Closed for Thanksgiving
<i>Dec 21</i>	Full Costume Payment due
<i>Dec 22-Jan 7</i>	Studio Closed - Winter Break