



OCTOBER NEWS

October 2009
Dance & Music

September is gone!

Classes are well underway and we hope the students are enjoying their classes & lessons. I want to thank everyone for their patience in class schedules. We use the first 4-5 weeks to assess levels and balance each class with a good number of students that are at the same level.

Our goal is to keep each class small enough so that each child receives the attention needed to learn and feel comfortable. So you may see some minor shifting to keep our classes balanced. So thank you for your patience in the first month and things will settle down now.

Note: Perfect Attendance is awarded at the end of the dance year. If your child has missed a lesson, please ask when a similar class is held and schedule her to attend. Perfect Attendance is attending ALL classes, with zero absences.

Dance Revue Information was distributed last week. If you have any questions, please ask at the desk. Permission forms are due by 11/9/09. All students will be measured during their dance class the week of October 19. We add about an inch for growth.

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Upcoming Dates:

- Oct 5-10 - Bring-A-Friend week
- Oct 19-24 - Costume Sizing
- Oct 24 - Sweatshirt Orders due
- Oct 26-31 - Halloween Class Parties
- Nov 9 - Dance Revue Permission Forms & Payments Due

Bring-a-Friend Week

Bring-A-Friend week will run from Oct 5-10 during all dance classes & music lessons. By now, each student should have received invitations to have a friend come dance, sing, play the piano or guitar with them during the week of October 5-10 (Monday thru Saturday). Please be sure your guest completes the backside of the invitation when coming to class. If they are joining a dance class, remind them to wear comfortable clothes that they can move in and have socks on.

For each friend that registers, you receive a \$30 credit on your revue fee (dancers) or a \$30 credit off January tuition (music).

Programs for 2009-2010

Music Lessons - A few lesson times are still available at both studios in voice, piano, and guitar. Lessons are 30 minute private lessons for boys & girls. Guitar & Voice is available for ages 8+. Piano is available for ages 6+. The schedule is filling quickly, so if you are interested, please call.

Turns, Leaps & Tricks - If your child is at least 6 years old and are looking for a small group dance class that is focused on turns, leaps & tricks, you'll want to join this session. It will meet weekly from November - February and will focus on advancing your child with turns & leaps & flexibility. Those eligible must be at least 6 years old with 3 years of dance and must be taking a ballet & jazz class. This session will build on the foundations they are already getting, but will do the cool, neat things you see our advanced students doing. All eligible students will receive a flyer. It's also a great class if your child is up for extra numbers such as Opening, Closing, Small Group, Trio, etc.

Musical Theater - New January class- This is a fun class for dancers wanted to expand their foundation with a musical theater emphasis. It adds the element of acting & singing to dancing. More details to come in December but let us know if you are interested. Classes will be taught by Heather Smith who has a BA in Liberal Arts with a concentration in Theater & Dance. She's also danced with us since she was about 4 years old! Her classes are always fun & full of energy!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES October

Alexa A	Camryn M
Gavin S	Alyssa L
Lauren S	Madison B
Rachel L	Jayla M
Yvette M	Grace M
Arielle W	Aaliyah C
Olivia G	Brandon W
Destiny V	Chloe H
Andrew V	Jaelyn G



Halloween Parties!!!

☾ **Halloween** parties will be held during your **regular dance class** on **Monday, October 26 through Saturday, October 31.**

☾ Children may dress in their Halloween costume. We'll have prizes for Prettiest Costume & Scariest Costume.

☾ Parents & siblings are welcome & bring your video recorders & cameras.

☾ We ask that each student volunteer to bring a party item (cookies, snacks, drinks, plates, cups, ice, etc.) Sign up sheets are by the bulletin board.

THANK YOU!

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Looking for an inexpensive Halloween costume?

We might be able to help. Each year we end up with a few extra costumes from the dance revue. We've been selling them for \$5-\$10! These are great costumes that cost \$60-\$80, but we have no reason to keep random costumes & no space to store them.

At this time, all costumes are at the Harvey studio in the office. Feel free to ask to see what's available in your child's sizes & shop, shop, shop!

Winter Sweatshirts & Dancewear

- ▶ Sweatshirts - This year we are ordering winter sweatshirts for the upcoming cold winter months. It's a special year for us, 25th Anniversary, so our sweatshirts are extra special. The design is printed on the order form (in your folder), but you can also see it as our teachers wear their new black shirts. Sweatshirts will be white and are available from Small Child thru XXL Adult. If you wish to order, forms are due by October 24. No extras will be ordered, so this is your only chance to get one.
- ▶ By now dancers should have all necessary supplies. At this point, orders will be placed approximately every 2 weeks, so shoes might take longer to arrive. If you would like your items within a week, please add \$6 to cover shipping fees. Please refer to your Dancewear Requirements sheet given out at registration time (or in your welcome folder).
- ▶ Thanks for your patience on the backordered ballet shoes. It rarely happens that a popular item is on back order at our critical time, but it did this year. If you were awaiting a ballet shoe order, please stop at the desk.

Please Check Your Folder Each Week