

PDC *June* Newsletter

Happy June! It is so hard to believe we are already entering the month of June! 2020 has certainly been a learning curve for us all, but we are happy to inform you that plans are underway for returning back to the studio! Thank you all for your continued support of your child's dance education at The Putnam Dance Center.

RETURNING BACK TO THE STUDIO

We are hoping to return to the studio during Phase 2 of Connecticut's reopening plan (June 20th)

We would like to hold recital based classes the following weeks:

June 22nd – 27th

NO CLASSES June 29th – July 4th

July 6th – 11th

July 13th – 17th

July 20th – 25th

- The state has not yet released specific guidelines as to what safety regulations we will have to implement for phase 2.
- As of right now, we have, and are planning to incorporate the following, **among other precautions:**
 1. Purchased 2 air purifying systems for both studios
 - i. No classes in studio C
 - ii. Windows and doors opened for better circulation whether depending
 2. Looking into POTENTIALLY having students entering from the main entrances, and implementing a system to exit from our back doors with pick-up from the car dealership lot behind us
 3. Purchased disinfecting floor cleaner that is safe for our floors, AND specifically kills the Coronavirus
 4. Cleaning all surfaces touched in between each class, including wiping down the bathrooms
 5. All students will wash hands before and after class and/or use hand sanitizer
 6. Shortened classes with 15 minutes gaps in between to sanitize and disinfect
 7. No contact with peers in recital routines
 8. No parents or friends in the lobby (for dancers 7+) unless specific reason is given.
 - i. Blinds will be open and trophies removed for better viewing of classes from outdoors.
 9. Temperature readings from a state provided infrared thermometer of each student upon entry to the studio
 - i. Dancers with temperature readings of 100+ unfortunately will be asked to leave

******All safety measures and new rules will be given once Connecticut has given us their guidelines for re-opening. This includes, but is not limited to: how and when masks should be worn, limit to group gatherings indoors, cleaning surfaces, etc.******

What can I expect over the next few weeks?

1. A detailed guideline on The PDC's new in studio **policies** for June/July
2. The in-studio **schedule** for June/July recital classes.
3. When to receive your **costumes** (which will be steamed) if costume balance is paid
4. Some classes are continuing with Zoom in June. **Zoom codes** sent on Sundays.
5. A **video** of your dancer's routine from beginning to end on BAND, and to your email as well.
6. **Recital details** (Beginning of July)

A RECITAL...? BUT HOW?

We WILL have a recital! Unfortunately, we will not be able to have our recital as planned with an audience of 600, and 200 dancers on stage. Therefore, here is our current plan.

Our recital will take place at The Putnam Middle School the week of July 28th – August 1st.

During this time, we plan on videotaping each class in make-up and costume to create our recital DVD for purchase.

By June 14th, we will send out a schedule of when your dancer will come to be videotaped with their class during recital week. Details to come!

COSTUMES

- All costume balances must be paid **by June 20th** in order to receive your costumes before the show.
- If costumes have already been paid for, we will make arrangements for a day and time for you to drive by and pick them up
- All costumes will be steamed and fluffed
- All costumes are non-refundable and non-returnable

Join Our Competition Team!

This year we are introducing a new level to the team!

Level 1 will be for **dancers 8 and under** who are looking to get the competition experience without a big commitment. Ask us for more details!

While the team may have to adapt to Covid-19 requirements, we can still promise an exciting year filled with many learning opportunities, friendships, and fun experiences.

Please let us know if you are interested by June 15th so we can send you the team contract to review.

Contracts will be due by July 1st to be considered for group numbers.

Happy Birthday to...

Miss Amanda
Amelia Jaye
Caroline
Eva
Jessica
Melanie
Mercedes
Natalie
Paisley
Peityn
Sophia
Tess
Wesley

