

# October Newsletter

## ACCOUNTS

Please note that if your dancer has a different last name than whoever is billed, PLEASE write his/her name in the memo of your check or on the envelope to ensure your account is properly credited. A payment box is located in the foyer area for your convenience. Please make sure all cash is in an envelope.

## STUDENT LOUNGE

If your dancer needs to wait in the student lounge, please remember to send quiet activities (homework, etc) for them to do. Please remind your dancer and siblings not to run in the lounge or halls. Feel free to bring snacks but please remember to clean up after yourselves so your lounge stays clean.

## LOCKERS

Please use the lockers located in each bathroom to store your things so we can keep the hallways free of clutter.

## WEBSITE

Check out Academy of the Performing Arts on the web at [www.academyoftheperformingarts.net](http://www.academyoftheperformingarts.net)

## COSTUME MEASUREMENTS

The instructors will be measuring the students for their costumes October 10<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure that your dancer is in class during that week. Remember, the instructor will add 2 inches to your dancer's measurements to account for growth, thus ensuring a costume that's large enough. If you have any questions regarding the costume process, please see the dance policy.

## RECITAL PAC KETS

Recital packets will be handed out in each class starting on October 17<sup>th</sup>. These packets contain vital information about the spring performance. Please read through the entire packet carefully, even if you are a returning student. There is new information that everyone needs to know! The yellow copy must be signed and returned, along with the \$25 costume deposit **by November 17<sup>th</sup>**.

## FRIEND WEEK

October 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> is Bring a Friend Week! Bring a friend, bring a cousin, bring a friend's cousin, whomever you'd like to share your dance class with! You get to spend more time with the people you like and they get a special treat just for coming.

## THE GREAT COSTUME SWAP 2005

Do you have a costume from last year that you're not using? Do you need a costume and are hoping for a great deal? The Great Costume Swap 2005 is here to help! Check out the great information enclosed with this newsletter and find out what you can do to make the costume process a little easier!

## SWITCHING CLASSES

Because of the complicated costume ordering process, October 27<sup>th</sup> will be the final day students may switch, add or join new classes. If you're thinking of making a move or have a friend who wants to join dance, do it now! No exceptions will be made.

## SPRING PERFORMANCE DATES

The spring performance has been scheduled for June 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup> 2006. These were the only available dates the Academy could get.

## TELEPHONE USAGE

Due to the high volume of calls the Academy receives throughout the day and into the evening, emergency phone calls only will be permitted to use our phone.

Please make arrangements for your dancer's drop off and pick up before class starts. We only have one line and it needs to remain free so we can answer incoming calls. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

### **MISSED CLASSES AND MAKE UP CLASSES**

If your dancer is going to be gone at his/her regular class time, please call the Academy and let us know. We will then assist you in finding a make up class you can attend. Remember-make up lessons are permitted through January only. Please refer to your dance policies.

### **THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE**

We appreciated everyone's patience, understanding and cooperation in September. It is always a bit crazy in the first month and we have lots of new staff this year! We hope you are enjoying the Academy and your classes. If we can do anything to help you more, please let us know!

### **DANCE AND MUSIC STUDENTS**

Please do not enter the studio before your scheduled class. It is very distracting when the dance studio doors keep opening and shutting while a class is going on. Both the music and dance teachers also either need to prepare for class in the studios and/or fill out

paperwork in the office. Please wait until your teacher comes to get you or the class before yours has been released. We know that you are just excited to dance and/or play music!

### **SPRING PERFORMANCE**

You will be receiving your spring performance packets later this month. Please make sure you read these and get them back to us in a timely manner. There is a lot of information about the upcoming show, costumes and procedures. Make sure you keep it for future reference as well.

### **FLOOR BARRE AND STRETCH & STRENGTHEN YOGA CLASSES**

If you are interested in any of these classes, please see the front desk. You will need to be registered for these classes by the end of October. We need a minimum student enrollment count to run the class so register soon! If there is enough interest we will run some of these classes in the mornings as well.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Academy of the Performing Arts is looking for people who would be willing to volunteer their time and talents this year for things such as: Setting up of show sets, hauling props to the High school, (generally muscle help but having a truck helps, too!) Also things such as miscellaneous help around the Academy for things like maintenance when needed. We would appreciate any help from dads and/or moms who are willing to help and have the time. If you are interested, please talk to Amy at the front desk or Shoni.

### **HALLOWEEN SALE**

October Clearance Sale In The Technique Boutique! Come see all the items on clearance! At the time of checkout you will have the chance to draw for an orange pumpkin coupon to receive an additional 10% off your entire purchase!

### **WHAT'S AHEAD**

Next month:

- No more switching classes after Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>
- Costume Deposit Due Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>
- All Costume Swaps must be done by Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>
- Thanksgiving Break is Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>