**RAVE Performing Arts Company**

**November and December**

**Newsletter 2021**

**Greetings Families!**

We hope everyone is having a wonderful fall, full of fun and enjoyment. We love this time of year at the studio. Classes have been in full swing for 2 months now, and a lot of exciting things are coming up, so let us get to it!

**Silly Dress Up Week**

* As always, Silly Week was such a blast! We loved seeing all the costumes and having a week of fun with the students. Thank you to all families who contributed sweets and treats to class, it was a real ‘treat’ seeing all the excitement and smiles.
* **Wacky Tacky Christmas Week** will take place the last week before Christmas break. Students can come to class dressed in their tackiest Christmas attire, dancing to Christmas music, and having a great time. If anyone wants to bring treats to class, please make sure they are allergy-friendly for our students with allergies, if possible.
* Wacky Tacky Christmas Week will be December 13th-18th.

**RAVE Making an Impact on Professional Dance in Baton Rouge!**

* Of Moving Colors Productions, Baton Rouge’s professional contemporary dance company, had their fall show at the end of October, with 5 members of the RAVE Family dancing with the company!
* Congrats to teachers Cayla Cole and Cassandra Soniat-Boyd. In addition, RAVE alumni Madolyn Brumfield, Gabrielle Thibodeaux, and Kendall Breaud made their professional debut as new company members (Madolyn and Gabby) and apprentices (Kendall). RAVE is so proud of our teachers and alumni for sharing their love of dance with the community!

**Upcoming Holiday Closures:**

* **Following the schools, we will be closed for the full week of Thanksgiving: Monday, November 22nd through Sunday, November 28th (This includes Saturday classes and practices)**
* **Looking ahead: We are adjusting the Christmas/New Year Break we had previously assigned on the website. Our studio will instead be closed Monday, December 20th-Sunday January 2nd. We will reopen Monday, January 3rd for regular classes. This way we have a clean 2-week break and are not starting and ending mid-week.**

**Online Payments & Balances**

* Please make sure you are all caught up on tuition payments by checking the Parent Portal on our website. Recitals fees will be entered into your accounts this month, and we don’t want anyone to fall behind. For families new to us, we do charge normal tuition during the months we have holiday breaks to help offset other studio costs and make our Revue performance fees a bit cheaper for our families.

**Revue Update**

* Every year RAVE closes out our dance season with our end of the year recital performance, or as we call it here, the Revue, (because it’s a RAVE Revue, pun intended)
* Reminder, our annual RAVE Revue will be held **Saturday, May 28th** at the Brown Holt Theatre at the Dunham School, with dress rehearsals on Friday, May 27thth or the morning of on Saturday.
* We are so excited about our theme this year, celebrating the reopening of Broadway with some of Broadway's biggest hits! (Like last year, we picked this theme 2 years in advance and just can’t believe how perfectly timed the theme came out to be)
* If your child cannot participate, please let us know ASAP! We will begin choreography very soon and fees for the revue will soon be posted to your Jackrabbit accounts over the course of this month and next.

**Revue Fees**

* Performing in the Revue comes with a few additional fees. Our costs have unfortunately gone up, so this year our Performance Fee will be $175 with each additional sibling being $150 which will cover the following: theatre rental, a digital link of the performance, and a T-shirt for every child. Your Performance Fee will be due by April 1st.
* Each child will also have additional costume fees based on their classes. Here is the costume fee breakdown. Please note that these fees will be posted to your account over the next month, however, you do not have to pay these fees until the listed deadline. We just want to post now for those who want to pay early.
* 1/2 of costume fee due by Jan 10th
* Your remaining costume the balance will be due by March 7th
* Little Movers - $50 includes 1 costume (ballet or tap, will do 1 dance in Revue)
* Primary A- $100 includes 2 costumes ballet and tap
* Primary B- $100 includes 2 costumes ballet and tap
* Secondary Ballet - $60
* Secondary Tap & Jazz - $100 (includes 2, tap and jazz)
* Tertiary Ballet - $60
* Tertiary Tap & Jazz - $100 (includes 2, tap and jazz)
* Musical Theatre I, II, and III - $50
* Levels 1,2, 3, and 4:

$65 for ballet

$65 for jazz

$50 for contemporary

$50 for tap

$50 for hip hop

* Tickets: Each family will receive 5 complimentary tickets per dancer that will be reserved and picked up at the studio 2 weeks before the show, any tickets leftover will go for sale the last week of classes for $18 a ticket.

**Additional Things…**

**Central Christmas Parade**

* We are so excited to be once again performing in the Christmas in Central Parade, **Saturday, December 4th**.  We hope to see familiar faces rooting for our Performance and Competition Team Dancers as they dance their way down Joor Rd! If you spot our dancers, cheer extra loud! If your dancer attends Saturday morning Pre-Pointe/Pointe or Acro, we will be canceling classes this day for the parade. If you would like a makeup lesson, please let us know.

And for one last, but very special announcement…

Many of you now know, but if you haven’t heard the news yet, our owner, Mrs. Rachel is HAVING A BABY! Our new little addition to the RAVE family will be making their arrival this April 😊 We are so excited!!

We hope you have a happy and blessed holiday season!

We hope everyone has a blessed Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year! We are so thankful for every one of you and count our blessings every year for our studio and our RAVE Family. You all mean so much to us! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.