

Starz Dancer

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It's hard to believe that we have 3 months of dance behind us and dancer's are putting the finishing touches on their Winter Show routines.

Winter Show

The Winter Show will be Saturday, December 5 at the Pinnacle Charter School. The times will be **3:00 and 4:30** not 4 and 5:30 as previously noted in the October newsletter. Tickets for the Winter Show will go on sale November 19. The cost is \$6. Due to the number of students/siblings and multiple classes, we cannot guarantee or honor requests for specific shows. However, in the event that you have dancers in both shows, you may purchase the second show ticket for \$4. Dancers need a FREE dancer ticket.

You will receive information from your dancer's teacher in approximately 2 weeks regarding what to wear.

We have attached the schedule of which classes will perform in each show.

Dancer Pick-Up

Now that the time has changed and it is getting dark earlier, please remind your dancer NOT to go outside to wait for their ride. Dancers should remain inside until they see who ever is going to pick them up. Parents are encouraged to please be prompt in picking up your dancers. When classes change, it is very hectic. Teachers will do their best to monitor little dancers, however, teachers often get tied up with other dancers and/or parents.

Parking

Another reminder: please do NOT park in the reserved spots for other businesses - even for just a few minutes. Our neighbors are very patient with the traffic flow during our busy times, however, they need to save their spots for their customers. Please respect the signs.

Recital Costumes

As we mentioned in the October newsletter, our annual summer recital will be held Saturday, June 12. Due to heavy costume volume, it takes approximately 8-12 weeks for costumes to arrive once they are ordered. Please mark your calendars for SATURDAY, JANUARY 23 from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. This will be our official costume measurement day. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend. **If you do not bring your dancer to get measured, they will not be sized for a costume.** We will NOT do costumes measurements during regular weekly classes. Costumes must be paid for at the Costume Measurement on January 23. Costumes will NOT be ordered unless full payment has been received. Costumes are NON-REFUNDABLE and NON-RETURNABLE. We will be placing our costume order in early February

Birthday Parties

Denver Dance Starz is now hosting Birthday Parties. If you would like to book a birthday party, contact the Front Desk at the Main Studio. They will take some basic information from you and block out your requested date on our calendar. Our party coordinator, Melia James, will contact you to confirm all the information and date.

You can pick up party package information from the Birthday Party poster on display at the Main Studio. Leave the work and planning to us so that you can enjoy your dancer's special day.

Parents Night Out

The Scholarship Committee is holding a Parents Night Out fundraiser on Friday, December 11. There are two ways to support this fundraiser: sign your dancer (and siblings) up to participate while you get some Christmas shopping done, attend a Christmas party or just have some time out! The second way is to sign up to help with the fundraiser. The sign up sheet will be posted at the studio this week, along with participation information.

Holiday Shopping

Does your dancer need new dancewear or a new dancebag? We've restocked our dancewear for the holidays and can order dancewear that is out of stock. We also have Gift Certificates available, which make a great gift from Grandpa and Grandma to give your little dancer! Stop by the front desk for more information.

Winter Break

Don't forget the Studio will be closed beginning Sunday, December 20 for our annual Winter Break. Classes will resume on Monday, January 4. We would like to wish all of our DDS family a happy and safe holiday season. See you in the New Year!

Holiday Celebrations

All classes will be holding their holiday celebrations during the week of December 14-19. Students are welcome to bring treats to class during this week. Please check with teachers or the front desk to find out how many dancers are in the class.

Dance Shoes

Denver Dance Starz does have required shoes for each of our classes. Dancers are expected to have these shoes for their weekly classes and the recital.

Tap/Jazz Classes (3-4 yr. olds & 5-7 yr. olds)

- Black Patent Leather Button Tap Shoes
- Black Ballet Shoes

Tap/Jazz Classes (8-10 yr. olds & 11+ yr. olds)

- Black Tie Tap Shoes
- Black Split Sole Jazz Shoes

Hip Hop Classes

- Black Split Sole Jazz Shoes

Ballet Classes (Beginning)

- Pink Ballet Shoes

Ballet Classes (Level 1, 2, 3 & 4)

- Pink Split Sole Ballet Shoes

Winter Session

We know that for various reasons, some of you may not return for the Winter Session in January. Since we will be measuring for Recital costumes in January, it is important for us to know exactly how many students we have in each class. We also receive a lot of calls for new dancers wanting to enroll in classes. This will help us know what spots we have open in classes. If you do NOT plan to return following Winter Break, please notify the front desk staff this month and do NOT pay your December 15 tuition payment. If you do not notify us, we will assume you are returning following the break and will expect your December payment on time.

Important Dates

December 5	Winter Show
December 20-January 3	Studio CLOSED for Winter Break
January 4	Classes Resume
January 23	1-3 pm Recital Costume Measurement

In the Know

We do our best to keep parents informed of ALL information in a timely manner, however, **parents are reminded that it's YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to stay informed on ALL the latest info regarding studio happenings.** Please do NOT rely on your dancer (no matter how old they are) as they do not always communicate information.

It is important that you attend Show & Tell and/or stop into the studio on a weekly basis to find out what's going on.

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