

Becky's School of Dance Dance-O-Gram



We wish to welcome you to our studio. We are very proud to offer the finest educational dance program in the Findlay area. We hope that you will find participation in our school to be inspiring and beneficial in many ways. Thank you for choosing us to serve your dancing needs.

OUR POLICY: We firmly believe that dance should be an enjoyable experience for you and your child. Your cooperation in adhering to our studio policies outlined in this letter will give our staff more time to devote to your child's dancing lessons. We appreciate your efforts. We are extremely pleased that you are with us. We will make every effort to make this a rewarding activity for everyone involved.

STUDIO ETIQUETTE: We thank you for being quiet while in the waiting room. We ask you to see that dancers and siblings do not stand on furniture or run in the building. Loud voices and crying are also disruptive to our dance classes as well as to other customers. We ask, too, that you keep children away from our observation windows, as it is distracting to the dancers as well as to parents who are observing the progress of their children. Tapping is not permitted on our foyer floor and food/beverage is not permitted in our building.

DANCE CAMP/CARAVAN: Hats off to all of our students and teachers who attended Dance Camp this year.

OFFICE: You may make tuition and costume payments in our office, as well as purchase shoes and dancewear. If the office is closed please use our "TUITION BOX" located in the foyer. **To assure proper credit, please mark your dancer's name on the check memo(if different from yours).**

OBSERVING LESSONS: You're invited to observe class once a month, beginning in October. The schedule is posted on our bulletin board. This gives positive reinforcement to your dancer. You can encourage your dancer by watching one lesson each month. Feel free to applaud....Dancers do love applause!

DANCE MUSIC: We suggest cassette recorders for your child's practice. **Our teachers are not permitted to take part in taping.** You may set your recorder in our classroom and tape the full session. A 90 minute tape is best. If you are interested in knowing how you can obtain a special performance tape, inquire at the desk.

STUDIO LETTERS: We will extend our lines of communication to you through the use of DANCE-O-GRAMS. Your DANCE -O-GRAM letters are handed to students in class. Your next DANCE-O-GRAM will be handed out at the end of January in the form of a "Show Packet." It will contain a Recital Ticket Order Form, Information on Dress Rehearsal and "Curtains Up," Photo Information, and other pertinent information. Please take time to read your letters carefully and completely...and keep these letters until the recital as a reminder of events. It will make the year run smoothly for us and less stressful for you. If questions arise, please see our office assistant at the desk, or leave word for Becky or Meghan to call you. Please do not interrupt our dance classes. You may also refer to our bulletin board for information throughout the dance year.

RECITAL TALK:

COSTUME FEES FOR "CURTAINS UP 2006" ARE DUE WITH OCTOBER OR NOVEMBER TUITION.....THE DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 10TH. AFTER THE 10TH, WE WILL ASSUME YOU DO NOT WANT A COSTUME AND YOURS WILL NOT BE ORDERED.

WHAT IS "CURTAINS UP?" IT'S A 2 ½ HOUR DANCE PRODUCTION FILLED WITH PERFORMANCES FROM CHILDREN THROUGH ADULTS....BEGINNERS THROUGH ADVANCED, IN THE PERFORMING ARTS. WE HAVE SPECIAL LIGHTING, SCENERY AND SPECIAL EFFECTS. OUR "READY MADE" COSTUMES COME FROM VARIOUS COSTUME COMPANIES IN THE USA. SINCE THEY ARE MADE ON A SMALL-MEDIUM-LARGE FORM, BE PREPARED FOR SOME STITCHING OR PINNING. YOU MAY ALSO NEED TO PURCHASE AN ADDITIONAL PAIR OF TIGHTS TO COMPLIMENT THEIR COSTUME. WE DO ENCOURAGE AND RARELY HAVE LESS THAN 100% PARTICIPATION IN OUR PRODUCTION. IT DOES GIVE THE DANCERS A FEELING OF PRIDE IN WHAT THEY HAVE ACCOMPLISHED AND PROMOTES SELF-CONFIDENCE. WE HOPE YOU WILL JOIN US FOR THIS..OUR 42nd PRODUCTION.

OUR SHOW THEME IS UNDECIDED AT THIS TIME BUT A LIST OF SELECTED SHOW DANCES WILL BE POSTED ON OUR BULLETIN BOARD IN NOVEMBER. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOUR CHILD ATTENDS CLASS REGULARLY TO LEARN TECHNIQUE FOR THESE DANCES.

IF THIS IS YOUR DANCER'S 5TH, 10TH OR 15TH YEAR PERFORMING IN OUR DANCE RECITAL...PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME ON OUR "AWARDS LIST" IN THE OFFICE. WE DON'T WANT TO MISS YOUR "AWARD YEAR"!

PLEASE NOTE SHOW TIMES & MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!:

DRESS REHEARSAL WILL BE FRIDAY MAY 12TH AT 5:00 P.M.

THE MATINEE PERFORMANCE IS SATURDAY, MAY 13TH AT 2:00 P.M.

THE EVENING PERFORMANCE IS SATURDAY, MAY 13TH AT 7:00 P.M.

****NOTE: Our Dance Production & Dress Rehearsal is held at Central Auditorium.****

1. A SCHEDULE WILL BE POSTED IN JAN. SHOWING WHICH PERFORMANCE YOUR CLASS WILL BE DANCING.
2. DANCERS WILL BE MEASURED FOR COSTUME SIZE STARTING IN OCTOBER.
3. \$55.00 FOR CHILD'S SIZE SMALL AND MEDIUM, \$78.00 FOR CHILD'S SIZE LARGE THROUGH ADULT LARGE,
4. \$85.00 FOR CHILD EXTRA-LARGE OR ADULT EXTRA-LARGE.
 4. CHILDREN MEASURING A 46" GIRTH WILL PAY THE \$78.00 FEE. IF YOU'RE UNSURE OF SIZE, PLEASE PAY THE LARGER FEE. YOUR DECEMBER ACCOUNT WILL BE CREDITED WITH ANY OVERPAYMENT.
6. A PHOTO OF YOUR CLASS COSTUME WILL BE DISPLAYED IN THE OFFICE BOOK - **IN DECEMBER.**

2005-2006 STUDIO CALENDAR

COSTUME FEES DUE.....SEPTEMBER - NOVEMBER 10TH

STUDENT MEASUREMENTS TAKEN.....STARTING OCTOBER 1ST

THANKSGIVING BREAK.....NOVEMBER 24TH - 27TH

CHRISTMAS VACATION.....DECEMBER 19TH - JANUARY 1ST

COSTUMES ARRIVE.....JANUARY - MARCH

DANCER'S PHOTOS TAKEN AT BAKER'SMARCH 19TH - 24TH

SPRING BREAK.....APRIL 10TH - 15TH

DRESS REHEARSAL.....THURSDAY, MAY 18TH

"CURTAINS UP" MATINEE PERFORMANCE.....SUNDAY, MAY 21ST AT 1:30 P.M.

"CURTAINS UP" EVENING PERFORMANCE.....SUNDAY, MAY 21ST AT 6:00 P.M.

NOTE: ONLY OUR MOST ADVANCED TAP AND JAZZ, BALLET & LYRICAL CLASSES WILL DANCE BOTH SHOWS.

LAST DAY OF CLASSES.....WEDNESDAY, MAY 17TH

*******THE PERFORMANCE DATES HAD TO CHANGED THIS YEAR BECAUSE FHS CHANGED THEIR PROM DATES TO MAY 13TH, 2006 - AND THIS AFFECTS MOST OF OUR TEENAGED DANCERS. BECAUSE ALL OTHER DATES IN MAY AND JUNE ARE TAKEN AT CENTRAL, WE MUST HAVE OUR REHEARSAL ON THURS & PERFORMANCE ON SUNDAY (21ST) THUS, THE ORDER OF OUR DRESS REHEARSAL WILL BE DIFFERENT THAN THE ORDER OF THE PERFORMANCE IN ORDER TO GET OUR "LITTLE ONES" HOME AND IN BED AT A DECENT HOUR FOR SCHOOL ON FRIDAY (19TH). WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO GET ALL OF OUR OLDER DANCERS HOME AT A DECENT HOUR, AS WELL. WE SINCERELY THANK YOU FOR BEING SUCH A WONDERFUL GROUP OF PARENTS AND STUDENTS. WE COULDN'T COPE WITH THIS CRAZY SCHEDULE IF IT WEREN'T FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

WINTER WEATHER CANCELLATIONS: WE RARELY CANCEL! BAD WEATHER MORNINGS CAN CLEAR BY AFTERNOONS.....THEREFORE WE DO NOT NECESSARILY CANCEL OUR CLASSES WHEN THE SCHOOLS CLOSE. IF CANCELLATION OCCURS, YOUR MISSED CLASS WILL BE RE-SCHEDULED WHEN THE WEATHER BREAKS. LISTEN TO LOCAL RADIO STATIONS BETWEEN 1:00 - 6:00...OR ...CALL THE STUDIO **AFTER 3:30.**

"KEEP THIS SCHEDULE"