## PDC September Newsletter

## Welcome teachers, dancers, and parents/guardíans to our

## 25th year at The Putnam Dance Center!

After a few weeks off from classes, we are ready to start up our 2020-2021 season! The Putnam Dance Center is so excited to have you as part of our family. We pride ourselves on making this studio a family friendly environment, while taking the time to give individualized attention to each of our students. Our goal is to develop coordination, grace, physical fitness, and time management within our dancers, while also building self-esteem and confidence. Through positive reinforcement, our students will gain a lifelong appreciation for music, dance, and the arts, while creating friendships and memories that will last a lifetime. We are confident that your child will grow, learn, and have fun in their dance classes this coming year!

Thank you for trusting us with your child's dance education!

We would like to give a warm welcome to our new Tuesday Hip Hop teacher Idrissa McCallum! We are so excited for her to bring her love and knowledge of Hip-Hop to our students.

We have taken many precautions teaching our in-studio classes at The Putnam Dance Center. Some of our new requirements include sanitizing on the way in and out of the studio, limiting parents in the waiting room to dancers who are 8 years old or younger, and having our students dance in 6x6 foot squares. You can find the rest of our re-opening guidelines on our website, or in the email sent out with this newsletter. Please let us know if you have any concerns with our new protocols.

Due to unpredictable circumstances of Covid-19, we have decided to make 2 registration periods for the 2020-2021 dance season.

Please see our Registration Information for more details regarding our two sessions of dance.

Some class sizes will be limited this year due to the virus. Please contact us to be sure the class you want has not been filled before mailing in your registration form.

# Classes begin Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> 2020! <u>Check out our new website!</u> <u>www.putnamdancecenter.com</u>

## Fall Session Registration

Please read through the following registration information before enrolling in classes for the Fall Session:

- Registration Letter, Registration Form,
   Studio Policies, Dress Code, Tuition, Dates to
   Remember
- Classes:
  - Your pre-approved classes for the coming year can be found in your student portal, or by contacting the studio.
- Registration:
  - Online, and mail in at any time
  - Email us at <u>putnamdanceinfo@gmail.com</u>

## <u>PDC Logo Wear</u>

Putnam Dance Center logo wear is available. Order forms are at the front desk. Orders must be placed and paid for by **October 30**<sup>th</sup> for on time Holiday delivery.

Hooded and Zip-up Sweatshirts, Sweatpants, Studio Jackets, Competition Team Jackets and more...

## Dancewear for the Fall!

Please check the dress code on our website, or on the back of our tuition sheet for proper dance attire for your child. Shoes need to be ordered before the first class as we do not stock all sizes.

#### \*\*\*LAST DAY FOR SHOE FITTING\*\*\*

Tuesday, September 1<sup>st</sup> from 3pm-5pm Wednesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> 9am-12pm Saturday, September 5<sup>th</sup> from 9am-12pm Please label all dancewear prior to the first class. Thank you!

#### Dates to Remember

#### 2020-2021

September 8<sup>th</sup> – Fall Session Starts
October 12<sup>th</sup> – Closed (Columbus/Indigenous People's Day)
November 11<sup>th</sup> – Closed (Veteran's Day)
November 25<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> – Closed (Thanksgiving Break)
Dec 16<sup>th</sup> – Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> – Bring A Friend Week!
December 23<sup>nd</sup> - January 3<sup>rd</sup> – Closed (Winter Break)
January 4<sup>th</sup> – Winter Session Starts
March 8<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> – Closed (March Break- Make up Classes)
April 19<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> – Closed (April Vacation)
April 11<sup>th</sup> – Picture Day at The PDC
May 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>th</sup> – Tentative Dress Rehearsal Dates
Sunday May 22<sup>rd</sup> – Tentative Recital at The Putnam Middle School

## The PDC is peanut & tree nut free!

Please do not send your dancer to class with snacks containing peanuts as we have a few dancers with severe allergies. Thank you!

### Tuition and Fees → \*SEPTEMBER PAYMENT DUE!\*

#### **Costume Fees:**

- Costume deposits of \$55 per costume per class will be due by November 15th. If your child's costume(s) cost more than the \$55 initial
  deposit, you will be notified as to that amount, and it will be applied to your account by February 28th, and due by March 10th.
- Costumes are non-fundable and non-returnable
- If you do not plan on re-registering for the Winter Session, please let us know before we order costumes by November 15<sup>th</sup>. On this day, costumes will be ordered for each student in each class to participate in our annual recital, this year held tentatively on May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

\*\*Costumes will NOT be sent home until accounts are paid in FULL.\*\*

## PDC VIRTUAL & BAND

## Virtual Classes for the Fall Session

- If you are interested in enrolling in your classes and participating at home through zoom, please let us know so that we can make the necessary accommodations for you.
- The PDC will continue to use the BAND app for each class in order to stay in communication with classes, especially in the case where we may have to go virtual, or zoom a class.
- Emails with your dancer's invitation to the Band will be sent out after the first week of classes.

### New Classes!

Creative Movement Tuesdays 10-10:45am with Annette – ages 2.5-3.5

Ballet/Tap II
Thursdays 5:15-6:00pm
With Annette – ages 5.5-6.5

# Have you checked out your online account yet?

All registered PDC families automatically have an account with the email you provided on your enrollment form. Simply click "forgot password" on the website to create your password!

- Enroll in your pre-approved classes
- Edit your family and student info
- Check out your dancer's classes
- View important PDC information
  - View your financial portal

You will still need to fill out a hard copy of our registration form to submit to the studio.

#### **Payment Options:**

Tuition can be paid in three ways; Yearly, Quarterly and Monthly.

- \*\*A \$20.00 late assessment fee will be applied to your account if payment has not been paid by the 15th of the month it is due.\*\*
- **Session**: You may choose to pay the Session in full. <u>If paid by September 1st, 2020</u>, you may deduct 10%. After September 1st, 2020 there is no discount for paying the year in full.
  - Quarterly: You may choose to pay your tuition in 2 equal installments. If paid by September 10th, and November 10th, you may deduct 5% from the total.
  - Monthly: You may choose to pay your tuition monthly. Each monthly payment,
     September through April, is due on the 10th of that month.
- \*\*Please note: For the Winter Session, May's monthly payment will be due at the time of registration, and January's monthly payment will be due January 10<sup>th</sup>\*\*

#### If a student withdraws from the Putnam

**Dance Center,** you must notify us by phone:

#### (860) 963-7073

or e-mail: putnamdanceinfo@gmail.com

At that time, you are financially responsible for the remaining balance on your account minus any potential refund based on the date of receipt of withdrawal notification, not when the student started missing classes.

#### Studio Policies

In order to get the most out of each class and not disrupt the harmony of the Putnam Dance Center, we need your cooperation. Everyone that comes to The Putnam Dance Center should be respectful of other families in the waiting room and to keep voices low and not to use words or comments we do not want others to hear.

## We have outlined, updated and made some changes to the Studio Policies.

Please review a copy of the studio policies located at the front desk. Good listeners make good dancers and also make class enjoyable for all!

Arriving On-Time: It is very important that dancers arrive to class on time as the warm-up is the most important part of each class.

Being late is also disruptive to the flow of the class.

### Happy Birthday to...

Daniella Samantha

Alena

Caralyn

Harper

Please <u>CALL</u> the studio directly when you or your child will be absent from class.

Do NOT Facebook or Instagram us Do NOT text the Teacher Do NOT text Annette or Kelsey

The Person behind the desk needs to get the message and they will inform the teacher.

Phone: (860) 963-7073

