

Hershey School of Dance News

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School Closing Policy

Only when Derry Township Schools close early or cancel classes due to inclement weather will *Hershey School of Dance* also close.

Announcements will be made on the HSD Facebook page, Instagram and CBS21 television.

Please refer to your HSD brochure calendar for all other closings and important dates for the remainder of the dance year.



ATTENDANCE

Teachers have begun working on choreography for our May performances. It is very important that students attend all of their scheduled classes. Please inform your teacher or the office of any lengthy absences.

Reminder! As noted in the brochure you received with your class confirmation last fall:

1. "Classes can not be made up after March 1 due to show preparation."
2. "Teachers also reserve the right to reset choreography based on absenteeism."

Spring Break

The studio will be closed for Spring Break on Friday, April 10 and Saturday, April 11. Classes will resume on Monday, April 13.

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Costumes

All costume balance notices were mailed in January. This payment was due on **February 1st**. Please be advised that tuition payments must be up to date in order to receive your child's costume.

Tuition payments received after the 15th of the month will incur a \$5 per student late fee.

Thank you for keeping your account current.

Want to advertise in the show program?

Do you have a favorite business in town that would like to advertise in our show program? Do you want to advertise your own business? If so, fill out the attached business ad form and return it to the office or the drop box outside of studio 1.

Dance Workshop

On January 4 and 5, thirty-five dancers from HSD attended Excel In Motion in Lancaster, PA. Excel in Motion is a dance event that brings the most So You Think You Can Dance Headliners of any other convention. Our dancers had the opportunity to take 10 classes in a variety of styles including Contemporary, Animation, Hip Hop, Jazz, Tap, Jazz Fusion, Musical Theater and Lyrical. They had the privilege of taking these classes from Ellenore Scott, Casie Goshow, Lauren Edwards, Amy Yakima, Lauren Froderman, Cyrus Spencer, Alex Wong, Amelia Lowe, Brandon Bryant, and Peter Sabadino. Several HSD dancers were selected for the Excel In Motion Honor Society this year and Elena Kreitzer and Caty Healy were invited to dance in the exhibition show on Saturday night. For the fifth time, Hershey School of Dance was recognized as a High Honors Studio. Great job dancers! It was a fantastic weekend and all our dancers returned home feeling inspired (and sore).

HSD Out In The Community

We love the opportunity to share our dancing at community events! Miss Jenn took 20 dancers to perform in the Philadelphia Thanksgiving Day Parade. They had several rehearsals leading up to the big performance. Congratulations dancers and Miss Jenn!

On January 24, a group of HSD dancers performed on Main Street in Hummelstown at The Winter Fling. A big thank you to Miss Myah for preparing our dancers for this event!

Recital Packets

The May shows are quickly approaching and you can expect all information regarding Hershey Dance 2020 to be mailed in March. If you have changed your mailing address or email address since the beginning of the school year, please be sure to call the office with that information.

Parents, please watch for these packets, which will keep you prepared for the weeks leading up to the recital. Everything you need to know regarding rehearsal times, picture schedules, and video and ticket order forms will be included in this packet.

Shout Outs

Do you have a special friend or relative that deserves a SHOUT OUT in this year's show program?

For only \$5.00, you have the opportunity to give that special dancer some words of congratulations, support or appreciation.

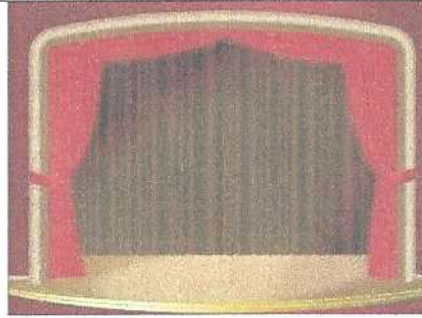
Fill out the attached form and make someone's day!



DRESS CODE REMINDER

Students are becoming a bit lax in following HSD's dress codes! Please – no jeans, jewelry, or gum chewing. All hair should be pulled back off the face and ballet students must have their hair in a bun.

Please refer to your brochure to review the dress codes for your classes.



~Recital Dates~

This year's performances will be held Friday, May 15th and Saturday, May 16th at 7:00 p.m. at the Hershey Theatre. There will also be a Saturday afternoon children's matinee on May 16th at 1:00 p.m. It is imperative that you clear your calendars for the week of May 11th through May 16th.



We are aware that there are a few children who will be performing in both the matinee and the evening shows. We will try to schedule those few dancers to perform in Act I of the evening shows so they can be excused after Act I bows. Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation.

"Life is a Zoo"

The following classes will be performing in our Hershey Dance 2020 matinee only:

Monday 4:30 Tap 2

Monday 6:30 Tap 3

Tuesday 4:30 Tap 1

Tuesday 5:30 Ballet 3

Tuesday 6:30 Preteen Hip Hop

Tuesday 7:30 Hip Hop 3

Wednesday 4:30 Tap 1

Wednesday 4:30 Ballet 3

Wednesday 5:30 Hip Hop 1

Wednesday 6:30 Preteen Tap

Thursday 4:30 Tap 4

Thursday 4:30 Ballet 1

Thursday 5:30 Ballet 2

Thursday 5:30 Tap 2

Friday 4:30 Ballet 1

Friday 5:30 Ballet 1

Friday 6:00 Hip Hop 2

Friday 6:00 Preteen Ballet

Friday 6:30 Ballet 2

Saturday 9:00 Ballet 1

Saturday 9:00 Hip Hop 1

Saturday 10:00 Ballet 2

Saturday 10:00 Hip Hop 2

Saturday 11:00 Hip Hop 1

... And anyone participating in "Family Dance" with a partner who is only performing in the matinee.

The following advanced classes will be performing in all 3 shows: Mon. 7:30 Hip Hop 9 (Emilie) and 8:30 Tap 10 (Jenn), Tues. 4:15 Theatre Dance 4 (Hollis), 8:00 Ballet 8 (Jess), Wed. 8:00 Ballet 8, 9:00 Pointe (Tammy), Thurs. 8:30 Jazz 7 (Jess), Fri. 4:45 Contemporary 5 (Ashton).