

PAPA NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER- 2022

THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

If you've been in the studio recently, you may have heard a few "Deck the Halls" and "Fa la las" coming from the dance rooms.

Once again, the holiday show will be virtual. Students will be working on their dances over the next several weeks. During the week of December 12-16, filming of this year's show, Premier's "Twas the Night Before Christmas" will take place in the studio during class time. (Dancers will want to be sure to be present for class that week so they don't miss out on being part of the filming). The performance videos will then be edited into one story and the final product will be released the week of Christmas to be viewed

virtually and enjoyed with family and friends during the holidays. (There is no fee to the families for receiving this holiday treat.)

Costuming for the virtual recital is simple....a Premier holiday shirt (\$20), black shorts/leggings/dance pants. (If your dancer has plain black shorts left from summer they will work great. Black Premier shorts are available in our store if needed.) Dancers are welcome to personalize their performance outfit by accessorizing with fun holiday socks, accessories, etc.. Please make sure your order for the holiday t-shirt is submitted by November 18. Payment for the t-shirts can be made through your parent portal or at the front desk. We've attached a link to the order form. Please fill out one form per dancer.

Parents are welcome watch their dancers perform their numbers during the filming process.



Thanksgiving Break	Tinsel & Tiara	Filming Week	Winter Break
November 24th-27th	December 10	December 12-16th	Dec 23rd - Jan 2nd
STUDIO CLOSED	STUDIO CLOSED	STUDIO CLOSED	STUDIO CLOSED

PREPARING FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER



LET IT SNOW, LET IT SNOW, LET IT SNOW

As much as we would love to have no inclement weather this winter, it is unrealistic to assume we would be so lucky. As such, it is best that we prepare the studio to handle weather-related closings. We highly recommend that all Premier families take advantage of the "Team App." This free app will give families access to the latest, greatest information at Premier. Step-by-step instruction on how to set up the app are available at <http://premieracademyofdance.com> or at the front desk. In addition to the Team App, we will do our best to keep you informed through email, texting, our website, social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram), and through outgoing messages on the studio's answering service. Though we try to be consistent with the Avon Community schools, we ask that you utilize these tools to verify potential closings.

NIGHT-PREMIER BEFORE CHRISTMAS

By now you may have noticed an underlying "Nightmare Before Christmas" theme throughout the studio this season. Why? The theme for this year's gala is, "Night-Premier Before Christmas...The Holidays Collide" This culminating end-of-the-year show will loosely tell our version of the story of Jack Skellington and friends. All dancers (regardless of age, experience, or dance genre) will be invited to participate in the June performance. While the performance is not mandatory, we would love to have everyone involved. It's a lot of fun and gives the dancers a chance to show-off what they've learned.

IMPORTANT DATES

Looking Ahead:

- January 15 - Gala
Costume fees due
- March 25-31: Spring
Break - Studio Closed
- May 26-29: Memorial
Weekend - Studio Closed



The first item of business in preparing for this huge event will be to find and fit the dancers for costumes. Supply chain issues have made purchasing and receiving costumes more challenging than in the past so we will want to start early. We will begin sizing the dancers in December. Costumes must be ordered in early January in order to ensure receiving them in time. Unfortunately, these same supply issues have resulted in a dramatic increase in the cost of costumes. This year's costume prices will be \$80 for child's size costumes and \$90 for adult sized costumes. Those costume fees will be due by January 15. (Costume fees will be added to your portal. Please make sure to go into your portal and make sure they are paid by the 15th. Costume fees are not automatically run.)

HOLIDAY



PICKLE ORNAMENT

When you return to the studio after Thanksgiving, you'll see that we have transitioned from fall decorations to our holiday decorations. Among other things....12 decorated Christmas trees throughout the studio including one in each classroom. The trees vary in themes from the "dancer" tree in the lobby to the "elf" tree in the far back corner of the studio. Make sure to check them all out.

With the exception of the smallest of trees, each tree houses a pickle ornament. For those new to the studio...What's a Christmas pickle? Rest assured, it's not just some trendy thing foodies celebrate at Christmas. Searching for these cute little green ornaments has become a favorite tradition of our dancers and their families. Who can find the pickle in each tree? The person who discovers the pickle wins a special holiday prize.

Here are a few rules for the pickle hunt:

- Each tree is age specific (check out the Instagram posting about the trees for an overview the age range for each tree); please be mindful of the age level in order to give the youngest dancers a chance to find the easier placed ornaments.
- Absolutely NO touching the trees when trying to find the pickle
- Only one pickle prize per tree (once the pickle has been found we will indicate so with a sign on the tree)
- It's possible there may be a few "decoys" this year; so pickle-sightings must be confirmed with Miss Meaghan. (She will verify winners between classes.)
- NO disrupting class to search for pickles

Also, the small tree at the end of the hall focuses on this year's recital theme, "Night-Premier Before Christmas...the Holidays Collide." Beginning on December 1, scratch-off ornaments will be available for the dancers to decorate and add to the tree if they'd like.

GIVING TREE

The studio will once again sponsor gift giving to provide a little extra holiday spirit for others. This year we hope to be able to share our abundance with six children. Premier families are invited to take tag(s) from our Giving Tree and sponsor one or more of the children by purchasing the items listed on the tag. The "Giving Tree" tags will be available December 1. Wrapped gifts need to be purchased returned to the studio by Monday, December 12, with the gift tag attached.



HOLIDAY EVENTS

Premier's Annual Christmas

Tinsel & Tiara

Games, crafts, formal tea party with a special guest

 **9 a.m. - 12 noon | Saturday, December 10**



HOLIDAY TEA TINSEL & TIARAS

Calling All Princes and Princesses!!! Premier will again be hosting Tinsel and Tiara Royal-Tea Princess Camp on Saturday, December 10, 9 a.m.-12 noon for princesses ages 3-7 years old. During this one-day camp, participants will make crafts, play games, and attend princess etiquette lessons. (There will also be a surprise visit from a special man dressed in red.) This popular annual event sells out quickly, so make sure that you register early!.

CRAFTS



GAMES



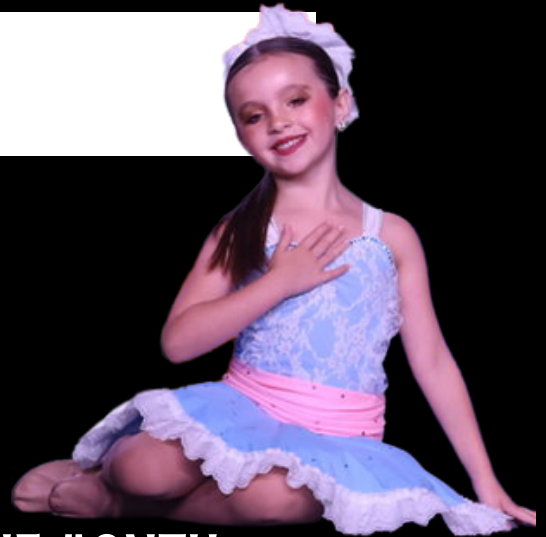
TEA PARTY



PAPA DANCER NEWS

Happy Birthday

CHLOE NICODEMUS	11/1/2017
NAOMI RUNKLE	11/2/2015
ALEXA RAMO	11/4/2014
TINLEY ASPLING	11/5/2013
ZOE CHARLES	11/5/2016
SERAS VICTORIA SALAZAR	11/5/2014
RACHEL WILDEMAN	11/5/2014
MATTIE JO FULLER	11/8/2016
NIYA EVERETT	11/12/2014
EVERLY HACKER	11/12/2018
DANIELLA AHONON	11/14/2014
NATALIE WEAVER	11/15/2012
MARLEY CARSON	11/17/2010
JENNY AN	11/18/2015
HANNAH BLAAUW	11/18/2014
ALEXIA POPE	11/22/2004
JULIET SCHROEDER	11/24/2017
RACHAEL WILLIAMS	11/24/2020
ADALYN BRETZ	11/30/2017
CECELIA CLARK	11/30/2005



DANCER OF THE MONTH

Congratulations Jamie Root, November Student of the Month. In looking for words to best describe Jamie one could always use, "adorable," "cute," etc.; but we have a lot of very adorable/cute dancers at Premier. What sets Jamie apart are things like... "determined," "focused," "driven." There are few dancers that work as hard at getting better than Jamie. You can see her doing technique drills with eyes focused, lips pursed, concentrating on trying to perfect every detail of skills she wants to master. Has she gotten everything yet? No. But are we confident that she will? Yes!!! Jamie gives 100+ percent in the classroom and has even set aside her own training time at home to help her with her strength and flexibility. Outside of the classroom, Jamie exhibits those other important attributes that make us proud... "kind," "caring," and "thoughtful." We're so proud of you Jamie! You've come such a long way and we see bright things in your future.

Name: Jamie Root

Nickname: Jam Jam/Jamers

Age: 7

How Long Have you Dance At Premier: 1.5 years

Favorite Color: Purple

Favorite Candy or Food: Mac N Cheese

Favorite School Subject: Math

Favorite Dance Style: Lyrical

Favorite Store: Costco

Favorite Restaurant: McDonalds

Favorite Sport: Dance

Why do you dance: I love to dance because not only is it my passion, but I get to do it with some of my best friends!

What do you want to be when you grow up?

A Doctor

If you could meet anyone in the world who would it be?

Meg Donnelly