

NEWSLETTER

November 2022

at Hershey School of Dance & Arts,
we believe...
Dance is Joy.
Dance is Freedom.
Dance is Expression.
Dance is Community.
Dance is Life.



Hello Dance Family

We are so excited to be moving into recital planning time! This is always an exciting time for teachers and students alike as we learn the theme for our May Recital and begin planning. Teachers have been busy finding the perfect song and costume for each class to perform. There are some important dates coming up. On November 18, Recital Fee and Costume Deposits are due. In addition, costumes will be posted in your portal after 11/15 and we ask that you submit your dancers sizes by 11/23 at the latest. And finally, our Fall break is 11/23-11/27.

We hope you enjoy a rest and time with family.

We are so grateful we get to dance through life with you all! Hollis, Jenn, Jess, & Emily



We celebrate these JOYS!

Philadelphia Thanksgiving Day Parade

Hershey School of Dance & Arts has been invited yet again to perform in the Philadelphia Thanksgiving Day Parade. HSDANCERS will represent Hershey School of Dance and Arts in Fantapulous! Be sure to tune in!



Performances

Congratulations to all the HSDANCERS that have performances this fall in local and school productions. We love seeing you on the stage!

Bus Trip: A Day on Your Own in NYC

LIMITED SPACE STILL AVAILABLE! December 10: A Day on Your Own in NYC Bus Trip. We will depart Hershey School of Dance and Arts at 7am and arrive in NYC where you can spend the day on your own exploring the city, taking dance classes, seeing a show, whatever you like! The bus will depart NYC at 7pm and return us tired and happy to HSDA. Space is limited. No chaperones are provided. All children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Purchase your seat through your portal, roundtrip transportation \$90.

FALL Pop Up Classes

THIS SATURDAY! On November 5 we will have Tori Sexsmith teaching Modern and Teegan Howie teaching Hip Hop. Tori and Teegan are fan favorites and we can't get enough! There will be 2 levels: Beg/Int and Int/Adv, open to ages 9+. Register [HERE](#).



Please note! Pop Ups are OPEN CLASSES- anyone can sign up. Dancers need not be a HSDA student, so grab a friend and come dance together!



NEW Dance Fitness: Fridays at 3:45pm

Friday 11/4 come try a FREE class and bring a FRIEND!

Dance Fitness with Jason Fridays 3:45pm. This dance fitness class will be a moderate-intensity class that will be a combination of cardiovascular and resistance training while being heavily influenced by dance movements. This class is for both dancers and non-dancers ages 12- adult. 6 week session \$85. Drop in available \$15/class. Starts 11/4.

DANCE and get FIT!

HIP HOP with JASON New Session: FREESTYLE!

Hip Hop with Jason Thursdays 8:30pm. Ages 16+. New session starts this week and our focus is FREESTYLE! Register online under Fall Workshops. Drop in available.

CLASS SPOTLIGHT

This Fall Miss Hollis's Theatre Dance classes have been having a great time getting to know one another, exploring who they are as a person and a performer, and creating community. All done through fun theatre games, acting exercises, journaling, improv, and creating choreography. Fan favorites so far this year have been "Statues" and "Zip Zap Zop" Thanks to Miss Juliana!



Virtual Option

A virtual option will be made available to students that are unable to attend class in person due to close contact, quarantine, or illness. Please email any requests for Zoom in advance- up to 10am on the day of class. Please notify us at hersheyschoolofdance@verizon.net. Once you have notified us of the need- **you will find the Zoom camera icon in your portal, in the calendar, under the class.**

Important Dates & Calendar

Our Recital is set for the week of May 15-20 2023.

- Recital Fee and Costume deposits are due November 18.
- Recital Fee is \$25 per dancer, this helps defray costs related to recital.
- Costume deposit is \$25 per class per dancer.
- Payments can be made online through your parent portal or by check made payable to Hershey School of Dance. Checks can be placed in the box outside the office.
- Costume Sizes need to be updated in your portal before 11/23. Thank you! [Link to size charts.](#)
- Costumes will be uploaded to view in your parent portal the week after 11/15.
- Fall Break is Wednesday November 23-27. Classes resume Monday November 28.

Tuition is posted by the first Monday of the month. Tuition is due on the 15th. If you enrolled in auto-pay it will post just before the 15th. A \$5.00 fee will be assessed for late payments.

2022-2023 Calendar

November 5 Pop Up Classes
November 18 Recital & Costume Deposit Due
November 23 Costume Sizes Due in Portal
November 23-27 Fall Break
November 28 Classes Resume
December 5-16 Class Visitation
December 10 Bus Trip to NYC
December 23 - Jan 8 Winter Break
January 9 Classes Resume

January 13 Costume Balances Due
April 7-9 Spring Break
April 10 Classes Resume
Picture Days schedule TBD
May 15-18 Rehearsals
at the Hershey Theatre
May 19 Friday Evening Show 7pm
May 20 Saturday Matinee Show 1pm
May 20 Saturday Evening Show 7pm

DECEMBER VISITATION

We are pleased to announce the return of class visitation! We love sharing what the dancers are learning with you. Families are invited to attend class visitation the weeks of December 5-16. More details about the schedule coming soon!

Holiday Merch Sale

Just in time for the holidays, NEW HSDA merch will be available for purchase. Water bottles, stickers, key chains, car magnets, bags and more. Be sure to check out the selection COMING SOON in the lobby and online.

Dancewear and Tights Available

Need to refresh your dance wear for our new season? We now have an assortment of leotards, shorts, and skirts, all reasonably priced and right at the studio ready for you! Check them out in the lobby or through our online store in DSP! Tights are also available for purchase, \$16 for adult sizes and \$14 for children sizes. Available in pink and tan. Stickers and hair bows will continue to be available for purchase while supplies last.

Snacks

Have a break between classes, and you want a little something to tame that hunger before your next class? Please check out the selection and if you have suggestions for future snacks to have for sale, please be sure to let us know.

Parking Lot Safety

Parents: Please walk your children to and from the building. Please do not have them cross the parking lot alone.

Dancers: Please wear street clothes or cover-ups to and from the building. Please wait inside the building to be picked up.

NO dance shoes in the parking lot or worn outside the building.

Need to reach us?

EMAIL US! Email is the most efficient and quickest way to get a hold of us. If you prefer to talk on the phone, no worries, we are always happy to respond with a phone call.

Front Desk Hours

Monday - Friday 4:15-7:30
Saturday 9-12