

THT FAMILY NEWS

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WELCOME BACK!

Top Hat Talent Performing Arts Studio welcomes you to the beginning of another outstanding year! We are thrilled that you are here with us and we look forward to a wonderful 29th year. Please let us know if you ever have any questions or concerns. We will be more than happy to assist you and listen to your suggestions. THT is here for you, and together we can make this a superb studio family for you and your most prized possession – YOUR CHILD! Thank you for allowing your child to take advantage of this unique learning experience.

PLEASE LOOK FOR **MORE INFORMATION VIA EMAIL NEXT WEEK!** WE HAVE DROP-OFF & PICK-UP POLICIES THAT WILL CHANGE DUE TO CHANGING SEASONS/WEATHER AND THE TIME CHANGE! WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR SOME DADDIES TO BE AVAILABLE TO MONITOR OUR PARKING LOT SECURITY EACH EVENING.

WAYS TO PREPARE YOUR DANCER FOR CLASS

1. Dress in proper clothing and have all dance shoes with you. (In hotter months, our younger dancers do not always want to wear tights, but please pack dress socks for their tap shoes!) Please keep a mask in your dancer's bag.
2. Take your dancer to the restroom before class begins. Our class demonstrators will be more than happy to assist your child to the bathroom during class time, so please prepare your child accordingly.
3. Arrive at the studio no more than 5-10 minutes prior to class for temperature checks, hand sanitizer and to line up in your class line.
4. **DON'T FORGET YOUR LABELED WATER BOTTLE!**
5. Prepare your child that each of his/her instructors will be measuring them for the spring recital costumes in October.
6. All dancers will exit the back door of room 2 (except for the last class of the evening AND our STARS CLASS) and be brought around the building for pickup. Please promptly pick up your child from class. PLEASE CALL US at 692-2640 if you are running late.
7. Stay informed by printing your monthly newsletter at www.tophattalent.com and supplying your email address on the enrollment card.

HOW TO REACH US

Please feel free to leave any of our staff a message on the studio recorder (692-2640), leave a note at the front desk for any teacher's mailbox or email us at tophattalent@live.com. We will be more than happy to get back with you as soon as possible.

HOW CAN I MAKE PAYMENTS?

- Make payments in-person during office hours.
 - Monday 4:00-8:00
 - Tuesday 9:30-11:00 and 4:30-8:00
 - Wednesday 4:30-8:30
 - Thursday 4:00-8:30
 - Friday 5:30-7:30
 - Saturday 9:30-11:00
- Call to make a credit card payment by phone during office hours.
- Pay via PayPal Friends & Family
www.paypal.me/THTokc
- Mail your payment:
Top Hat Talent
11710 s Western Ave.
Oklahoma City, OK 73170
- Drop your payment in the locked mailbox on the west side of our building.

STAYING INFORMED

Please check your email and visit our website www.tophattalent.com at the beginning of each month to print your monthly newsletter & check out the most up-to-date information!

 In addition, Top Hat Talent is on FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM!

"Like"/"Follow" us for daily highlights!

FEES ARE DUE BY THE 7TH OF EACH MONTH

After September, a \$10 late fee will be added to each overdue account on the 8th. A \$25 fee will be imposed on returned checks. NO EXCEPTIONS—after a bounced check, cashiers checks accepted only. Since tuition is based on the total number of classes per year, your monthly rate remains the same ALL YEAR.

WHAT ARE THE FEES FOR CLASS(ES)?

- Annual Enrollment Fee = \$50 per dancer due with the first month of tuition
- Tuition = \$30 per half-hour weekly class, \$45 per hour weekly class, \$30 each additional hour per week due monthly September-May
- Christmas Participation Fee = \$25 per class
OPTIONAL
- Spring Recital Costume = \$55 per costume (ages 2-8), \$65 per costume (ages 9 & older) due with October tuition. Please note combo classes have two costumes per dancer for a total of \$110 (ages 2-8) and \$130 (ages 9 & older).
- Poms = \$20 (if applicable) due with September tuition. (The poms you have received will be used for both our Christmas and end of year recitals. Please add any kind of colored ribbon so your dancer can recognize them!)

WHAT'S PAST DUE?

- =Enrollment/recital/data processing fee (\$50)
- =September tuition
- =Optional Christmas participation fee (\$25 per class)
- =Poms \$20 (if applicable)

WHAT'S DUE LATER?

- =October tuition
- =Costume fees (\$55 per costume ages 2-8 and \$65 per costume ages 9 & up, per dance style) are due with your October Tuition. Don't forget...if your child is enrolled in a combo class (ballet/tap or tap/jazz or pom/hip hop), there is a costume fee **per** dance. These costumes will be ordered in November/December to get here in time for picture week in April.

GET A DISCOUNT!

We would like to reward our current customers with a \$10 discount on your next month's tuition with a new student referral! Please make sure the referred customer states your name at the bottom of their enrollment card and we'll discount your next month's tuition by \$10 PER NEW STUDENT! THANK YOU – Our business continues to thrive with your positive support. Your referrals are the highest form of flattery to our growing studio family!

WHAT SHOES WILL MY DANCER NEED?

- Terrific Twos: Pink Ballet Shoes (please avoid the "slippers" that are house shoes)
- Ballet: Pink Ballet Shoes, split sole if available
- Tap: Black Tap Shoes, any style
- Jazz: Black Jazz Shoes
- Pom: Black Jazz Shoes

WHAT SHOES WILL MY DANCER NEED CONT?

- Hip Hop: Your own Sneaker/Tennis Shoes
- Try Everything: Pink Ballet Shoes & Black Jazz Shoes
- Recreational Company: Please wait to purchase shoes until speaking with your teacher.

SAVE THE DATES!

- **10/12-10/17 – Costume measuring week for our Christmas shows AND recitals!**
- **Parents...Starting 10/19, you will be able to ZOOM into your dancer's class! Password for all meeting id's: tophat5678**
 - ==Studio 1 = 318-335-9318
 - ==Studio 2 = 890-686-1366
 - ==Studio 3 = 220-934-8784
 - ==Studio 4 = 715-886-3958
- **Halloween Dress Up Week – 10/26-10/31 – Wear your Halloween costume to dance class but don't forget we're still dancing!**
- **Friday 10/30 5:30-7:30 p.m. – THT dance family Trick or Trunk in our studio parking lot! Wear your costume and come trick or treat with us! Our staff/company parents will have their car trunks decorated and will be passing out candy to our dance family! If you would like to donate candy, thank you!**
- Christmas Show = Sunday, December 6
- Dress Rehearsal = Tuesday, June 1
- Recitals = Friday, June 4 & Saturday, June 5

TURN OUT AND TURN UP FOR LEAVYN!

Our competitive company is planning to support our THT dance sister, Leavyn, who is currently battling Leukemia, with a TURN-A-THON! This project will take place on Sun. 10/25 at 2 p.m. Each dancer will collect donations (a flat fee OR a coin/dollar amount for each rotation) from now until the day of the event. We are hoping to raise money to help offset her medical expenses. If you feel inclined to donate, your family can direct donate through the following options...

Venmo - @Winter-Kozak

Cash App - \$Winter-Kozak

PayPal.me/winterkozak

Please know how appreciative the Kozak family will be for this help. From the exact words Leavyn's momma, Winter said, "It doesn't even matter if they raise \$5 or \$500, it's the unity of coming together for kindness." We are thrilled to continue to bless our THT families with LOVE.

LET'S TALK ABOUT OUR CHRISTMAS SHOWS...

Right now, we are planning on having our Christmas Shows at Studio J in Edmond on Sunday, December 6th dancers choosing to be involved in our OPTIONAL shows.

+Shows will be livestreamed through our Facebook page

+Each dancer will be allowed limited guests

+All guests will need to wear a mask

+Seating will be arranged with social distancing.

Knowing these details, we will need EVERY DANCER to CONFIRM their Christmas Show involvement by Saturday 10/24.

In mid October, you will receive a direct text from your teacher concerning their participation in THAT CLASS. Please reply YES or NO concerning your dancer's involvement. Don't forget that if your dancer takes more than one class, you will receive a separate text from each of their teachers. If you have already paid you Christmas Participation fee and decide you don't feel comfortable with the details above, that money will be credited to your next month's fees.

YEAR AT A GLANCE CALENDAR

SEPT =Tues., September 8: Classes begin.

=Sat., September 12: Enroll/Recital fee, monthly tuition, optional Christmas accessory fee, poms (if applicable) due.

=Visit www.tophattalent.com to print your monthly newsletter.

OCT =Sat., October 10: Monthly tuition, spring recital costume deposits due.

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=Mon. October 26 – Sat. October 31: Halloween Dress up week (Dancers can wear costumes to class).

NOV =Sat., November 7: Monthly tuition due.

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=Learn Christmas performance dances.

=Thurs., November 26 – Sun., November 29: Studio closed for Thanksgiving Break.

DEC =Sat., December 12: Monthly tuition due.

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=Sun., December 6: Christmas performances location TBA.

=Mon., December 14 – Sat., December 19: Christmas Party Week.

=Sun., December 20 – Sun., January 3: Studio closed for Christmas Break.

=Recital costumes ordered.

JAN =Mon., January 4: Classes resume.

=Sat., January 9: Monthly tuition due.

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=Begin learning recital dances.

=Competition season begins.

FEB =Sat., February 6: Monthly tuition due.

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MAR =Sat., March 6: Monthly tuition due.

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=Sat., March 14: Recital program book ads due.

=Sun., March 14 – Sun., March 21: Studio Closed for Spring Break.

APRIL =Sat., April 10: Monthly tuition due.

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=Mon., April 12 – Fri., April 16: Recital picture week.

MAY =Sat., May 8: Monthly tuition due. ALL OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS MUST BE PAID IN FULL BY MAY 7TH!

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=Sat., May 29: Last day of classes.

JUNE=Tues., June 1: Dress Rehearsal times & location TBA.

=Fri., June 4: Recital times & location TBA.

=Sat., June 5: Recitals times & location TBA.

POM

ARE YOU OR YOUR FRIEND PLANNING ON TRYING OUT FOR JR. HIGH POM IN THE SPRING? NOW is the time to train and prep! Join Westmoore/UCO pom alumni, Brooklyn Henry on Wednesdays 7-8 p.m. Only \$45 a month and NO enrollment fee if this is your only class! Open to all 5th-8th graders.

CONGRATS!

Congratulations to our Adrenaline Dance Convention Scholarship recipients...

Harlee Decker

Emery Blackburn

Payton Watkins

Armonia Del Moral

Kallie Calfy

Jenna Thomas

Cassandra Cavazos

Erin Miller

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