

# ELITE DANCE STUDIO AND SUPPLY NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2009



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## Important Dates To Remember:

- **November 1–November 7**  
*November Tuition Due*  
*Registration for Twirly Twos*  
*Session II Begins*
- **November 1–November 7**  
*Parent Observation for regular*  
*classes—check bulletin boards*
- **November 9–November 14**  
*Parent Observation for Twirly*  
*Two Session I*
- **November 24th**  
*Costume Fee due in full*
- **November 25– November 29**  
*Closed for Thanksgiving*
- **December 24–January 3**  
*Closed for Winter Break*
- **January 4**  
*Classes resume this week!*  
*Twirly Twos Session II begin this*  
*week*

## Parent Observation Week!

Welcome to Parent Observation Week November 2009! We are very happy to have you and your dancers here for another exciting year! We hope you enjoy watching your child's classes this week. Everyone has been working extremely hard on learning new steps and perfecting old ones.

Parents get the chance to actually sit inside the dance studio and watch the class. They are able to see the steps and combinations they have been learning over the past two months. It's not really a show—just a sampling of their weekly class.

Enjoy watching your dancer's progress and getting to know your

child's teacher. Please remember to sit quietly as you are watching your child's class. Please keep conversations to a whisper and silence all cell phones. We ask no siblings attend so everyone is able to enjoy each fabulous dancer!

NOTE TO TWIRLY TWO PARENTS:  
The Twirly Twos Parent Observation will be November 9–14, the last week of Session I. Be sure to mark your calendar. Session II will begin the week of January 4th. Don't forget to sign up and reserve your spot for the new year!

We look forward to a great year with you and your dancers!

## What is the Costume Fee? When is it due?

Elite Dance Studio will hold its fourth annual Recital in late May/early June 2010, "Dancing Through The Decades". More information will be supplied in special Recital Newsletter provided to you later this spring. It will answer all your questions surrounding the Recital! However, as soon as we return from winter break, classes will begin to learn their routines! It's an exciting time and of course, the dancers are already asking about their recital song and what their new costume will be!

We have begun to measure each dancer for their costumes. Costumes will be ordered in early December with arrival in the spring. Each class will be performing one routine and need one costume. The only exception is for *Combo III* classes who will be performing two dances and will need two costumes.

In order to participate in the recital, costumes must be **paid in full by November 24th**. Costume prices range from \$60-\$90. Full information about your child's class costume & cost will be provided. **A costume cannot be ordered without full payment by November 24th.**

It will be a wonderful recital with beautiful costumes, beautiful routines and beautiful dancers!

## New Late Fees & How to avoid them!

There are new Late Fees for late tuition payments this year. Starting in November through May, on the **8th of each month, a \$10 late fee** will be applied to any outstanding tuition payment. Then on the **16th of each month an additional \$25 late fee** will be applied for those balances still not resolved.

### Want to avoid these new fees all together?

Never worry about these new late fees by signing up for the Automatic Credit Card Payment Plan!

Forms are available at the front desk. The plan will automatically charge your tuition on the first of each month through May. The plan will stop after the May tuition is done.

Also if you wish to pay your costume payments automatically as well, please let the front desk staff know.

## Parent Reminders. . .

- Dance shoes should not be worn outside. It ruins the shoes and brings dirt onto the dance floor.
- Make sure all the dance shoes and bags have your dancer's name on them.
- Before leaving the studio, please make sure you check you child's bag for all their shoes, clothes and belongings.
- All lost items are placed in each LOST & FOUND box. You may wish to arrive early to look in the boxes for any missing items.
- Dancers should be on time for class. If they are late, they should wait by the studio door until the teacher or staff invites them to enter the dance room.
- Hair for Ballet II— Ballet V should be in a bun. If you need a bun lesson, please let the teacher, Ms Cat, or Ms Becky know! We'd be happy to show you how it's done!
- Dancers should be picked up promptly at the end of their class. EDS staff will not be held responsible for children who are not picked up on time.
- Each dancer must have a parent meet them in the studio after class. No student will be allowed outside to walk to a waiting car. This is for safety reasons and precautions.
- Please do not sit in front of doors that may open outward.
- Please pay tuition every first of the month and write your child's name on the memo part of the check.
- Those waiting in Studio B's lobby are more than welcome to use the restroom and lobby area in Studio A for changing or even for hanging out.
- We ask everyone in the lobby to keep the noise level is a to minimum. This is so dancers and teachers can focus on their class. This is especially needed in Studio B as the acoustics are different than Studio A.
- And finally....

**Thank you to  
all the EDS  
parents for all  
you do!**

If you ever have any questions or concerns, please let us know!

*-EDS Faculty & Staff*

## Check out the EDS Website for...

- Tuition, Costume & other studio announcements & important information
- Updated schedules, Twirly Two sessions, Adult Zumba and other classes
- Pictures from studio related events, classes, competition team and more!
- Weather related closures—we **don't** follow local school system closures
- Store and Lobby Hours including the complete Studio Yearly Calendar
- Party Package information for both children and adult!
- Summer Camp Information (humm... Frostburg Dance Camp 2010 dates maybe?)

## QUIZ: DO YOU KNOW THE *EDS* FACULTY & STAFF?

1. Who recently traveled to Switzerland with a hip hop crew to showcase her amazing talents?
2. Who is a "fabulous" dance teacher & fierce competition team choreographer for EDS?
3. Who is the Creative Director of *Unbound Dance Team* at U of MD?
4. Who is pursuing a career in Physical & Dance Movement Therapy?
5. Who minored in dance at WVU & was a choreographer for the annual *Orchesis Dance Ensemble Showcase* there?
6. Who became a principle dancer with American Repertory Ballet in Princeton, NJ?
7. Who grew up with Miss Becky dancing in Elmer NJ and today is a pretty hip gal ?
8. Who danced with teens & adults on a local DC television dance show *STUDIO '78* when she was only 7 years old?
9. Who is a extraordinary experienced graphic design artist who grew up in the St. Louis area but now calls DC home?
10. Who summered with the Radio City Rockettes Summer Program in NYC this past summer?
11. Who was on the Blake High School Varsity Cheerleading Squad last year?
12. Who is part of the Blake High School Marching Band when she isn't working or dancing at EDS?
13. Who is a member of the Blake High School chamber orchestra ?
14. Who has beautifully taken over her sister's responsibilities (it's b/c her sister went off to college) at EDS' Front Desk?

# SAVE THE DATE!

## Frostburg Sleepaway Dance Camp

**JULY 18th thru July 24th**

**SUMMER 2010**

*Are you on the Elite Dance Studio e-mail list serve?*

*If you have not been receiving our e-mails,*

*please go to the Front Desk to update your records.*

*Don't miss out on important information and updates!*



### PARTY TIME!!

*Want LESS STRESS? Have your next party at EDS! It doesn't have to be for a birthday! Girls Night Out fun—try a ZUMBA party! Wedding Party brush up their moves, help the whole group! Check out our website for more information!*

Answers to QUIZ: 1. Miss Kim 2. Miss Melissa 3. Miss Alicia 4. Miss Keisha 5. Miss Jessica 6. Miss Kymm 7. Miss Heidi 8. Ms Cat 9. Ms Cheryl 10. Miss Carol 11. Miss Desire 12. Miss Gretchen 13. Miss Ingrid 14. Miss Nikisha 15. Miss Shelby

## Elite Dance Studio Company 2009–2010

The **EDS Company** is a group of highly dedicated EDS dancers who compete and perform throughout the year. Auditions are held in the summer and by September, members are so excited to begin working on their numbers! These girls dance 4–6 hours a week, plus are involved in a variety of school activities. Many are also teacher's assistants at the studio too!

This year the *Petite Company* is working on jazz and lyrical numbers "SHAKE YOUR GROOVE THING" and "SOAR". The *Junior Company* is working on jazz and lyrical numbers to "SCREAM" and "TIME AFTER TIME". The *Senior Company* is working on a musical theater and lyrical number to "LE JAZZ HOT" and "ACROSS THE UNIVERSE." Then both the **Jr & Sr Companies** will join forces together on a fun Smokey Joe's Café number "THAT IS ROCK & ROLL!"

Their competitions begin in March and go through May. We hope you are able to come cheer them on! More information and specific competition dates will soon be announced, including **EDS' SPIRIT WEEK** for the entire studio to participate in and show their support for these wonderful dancers!

### The 2009–2010 EDS Company

#### Petite Company

Lauren Alexander, Kristyn Alexis, Ayanna Brown, Laura Intoccia, Danielle Levy, Alexandra Rundlett,  
Grace Sciannella, Haley Stuart, Grayson Willis

#### Junior Company

Angie DeMarco, Lauralyn Heon, Emily Horwitz, Marty Leffingwell, Caitlin Lowe, Kayla Moffett,  
Jordan Neal, Emma Nichols, Avery Potts, Safera Tadesse, Renee Treacy, Jillian Tuttle

#### Senior Company

Carol Barnes, Lauren Bickel, Carrie Eaton, Kelsey Ilowite, Jessie Schulman, Leah Schroeder,  
Jillian Wessel, Michelle Wessel, Rae Wessel

*HAVE A FABULOUS YEAR! WORK HARD, HAVE FUN & GOOD LUCK, LADIES!*

## Holiday Gifts for Your Dancer

The Holidays will soon be here! Don't forget the EDS supply store has great gifts for you to celebrate your dancers continuing hard work and joy of dance!

Here are some great gift ideas for dancers of all ages:

- Ballet Wrap sweaters
- A new leotard or two!
- Ballet skirt or new tights
- EDS Logo T-shirt or Tank
- Jeweled socks and tube socks
- New dance bag or cosmetic bag
- Dance puzzles, pens, croc jewels, dance lanyards and more
- Hair scrunchies
- Elite sweatshirts, Capri's and comfy flannel pants

