

# Hershey School of Dance & Arts

## NEWSLETTER

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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 the creative process. Teachers have been busy finding the perfect song and costume for each class to perform. There are some important dates and deadlines coming up.**

**On November 4, Recital Fee and Costume Deposits are due. In addition, costumes will be posted in your portal after 11/13. We ask that you submit your dancer's sizes by 11/22 *at the latest*. And finally, our Fall Break is 11/27-12/1. 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**

## **COSTUME SIZING**

Costumes will be posted in your portal after 11/13. At that time we ask that you measure your dancer's chest, waist, hips, and girth and review those measurements with EACH costume company's size chart and select the appropriate size(s). If your dancer's measurements fall in between sizes, it is always better to size up. Taking in a costume is much better than having a costume that is too small. Please remember that your dancer is growing and this costume needs to fit them in May! If you are unsure, please don't hesitate to ask for help. Miss Kim is available at the front desk Tuesdays and Thursday or feel free to email. We also have some costume sizing kits available in the lobby to help you select costume sizes that will work for your dancer.

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

**That our recital is at the Whitaker Center over Memorial Day Weekend this year? The Hershey Theatre is under renovation for the 2025 season, and we are excited to visit a new venue! Save the date May 18-25, 2025!**

## **We CELEBRATE these JOYS!**

### **Congratulations Miss Caty!**

Miss Caty married Libby on the most beautiful day in the Finger Lakes, and we danced all night to the best songs ever! Join us in wishing them a life filled with harmony, rhythm and grace.

### **Dancer & Teacher Productions**

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

### **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!



# In the SPOTLIGHT...

## HSDA ONLINE STORE OPEN FOR ORDERS



Just in time for the holidays, NEW HSDA merch is available for preorder in our online store~ [Hershey School of Dance](#)

Adult Jogger Sets

Youth Hoodies

Travel Pillow/Blanket

Custom Track Jackets

This is a preorder sale only, the deadline to order is November 10 at 11:59pm.

Don't miss out!

## CLASS VISITATION: SAVE THE DATE!

Class visitation will be held the weeks of December 9-21. Loved ones are invited to choose one week to come observe class. Students will share what they have been learning and teachers can share the class song and costume for our May recital. We can't wait for you to see us in action!

## ADULT HIP HOP WITH TEEGAN

**Int/Advanced Hip Hop-** This class offers industry-level training that advances hip hop fundamentals. We'll focus on execution, style, and performance, working at a faster pace to improve memory and quick thinking. Emphasis will be on texture, timing, and stage presence. FRIDAYS 7:30pm. Prorated fee available for 6 weeks or Drop in \$15/class.

**Beginner Hip Hop-** This class will focus on the foundational elements of hip hop along with choreography and technique. The class will be tailored to meet the specific needs of each student, ensuring everyone feels confident and comfortable. We'll take our time breaking down movements and fostering a supportive environment where everyone can thrive. My primary goal is to help each student connect with movements that feel natural to them while building confidence and control over their bodies. FRIDAYS 8:30pm. Prorated fee available for 6 weeks or Drop in \$15/class.

**We have other adult classes, CHECK IT OUT!**



**ADULT WORKSHOPS**

**TUESDAY:** Absolute Beginner Adult Tap Workshop 11am

**WEDNESDAY:** Beginner Adult Ballet Workshop 10am  
Int/Adv Adult Tap Workshop 11am

**FRIDAY:** 6-week Line Dancing Workshop 7:30pm **NEW!**  
Int/Adv Adult Hip Hop Workshop 7:30pm  
Beginner Adult Hip Hop Workshop 8:30pm

**SATURDAY:** Adult Combo Class 11am

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**dance is waiting for you.**

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## **WORKSHOPS RETURNING in the NEW YEAR**

2025 Workshop Registration COMING SOON! Movement Magic, Discover Hip Hop and Discover Tap & Ballet, Adult Tap, Adult Ballet, Adult Combo, and Adult Hip Hop will be returning in the new year!

### **Private Lessons**

- One on one instruction.
- 30 minute session \$45.
- Style and focus of student's choice.
- Day/Time to be determined by student & teacher.

### **Small Group Sessions**

- 45 minute Small Group instruction.
- 2-4 Students- style and focus of students' choice.
- 2 Students: \$70, 3 Students: \$95, 4 Students: \$120.
- Day/Time TBD by student & teacher

Please email [hersheyschoolofdance@verizon.net](mailto:hersheyschoolofdance@verizon.net) attn: Hollis

## **TIGHTS, DANCEWEAR, & SHOE SWAP**

Tights are in stock and available for purchase online or from the front desk. Tights are \$16 for adult sizes and \$14 for children sizes, available in pink and tan. We continue to have an assortment of sizes and colors of leotards, shorts, and skirts, all discounted and right at the studio ready for you. Check them out in the lobby or through our online store in DSP. The shoe swap is available in the lobby, it has a selection of gently used shoes, free to good homes! If you have dance shoes to donate to the shoe swap, please drop them off at the front desk, thank you! If you are looking for new dance shoes, we highly recommend The Dancer's Pointe in Hummelstown!

## **SNACKS**

Have a break between classes, and you want a little something to tame that hunger before your next class? We have individual snacks available for purchase at the front desk. 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. The dirt and oils from the ground outside is harmful to our dance floors.**

## **VIRTUAL OPTION**

A virtual option will be made available to students that are unable to attend class in person. Please email any requests for Zoom in advance- up to 10am on the day of class. Please notify us at [hersheyschoolofdance@verizon.net](mailto: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.

## **TUITION**

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.

\*Please NOTE May tuition is due on the 1st.

## **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**

The Front Desk will be open Monday-Saturday during class time. Exact hours will vary.

## **2024-2025 Calendar**

**November 4: Costume Deposits & Recital Fee DUE**

**November 27-30: Fall Break**

**December 2: Classes resume**

**December 9-21: Class Visitation**

**December 22- January 5: Winter Break**

**January 4-5: Excel in Motion**

**January 6: Classes Resume**

**January 13: Movement Magic & Discover Dance Session**

**January 15: Costume Balances DUE Student Showcase TBA**

**April 14-20: Spring Break**

**Dance Pictures TBA**

**May 18-25: Show Week: rehearsal and performances at the WHITAKER CENTER**