

# Metro Dance Center

## December 2019 Senior Competition Update

Listed below you will find the pertinent information for the upcoming month. Please contact us at 651-482-1737 or [metrodancecenter@gmail.com](mailto:metrodancecenter@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

### Competition Dance Run Through

Competition students will have a run through of all their dances in studios 1 & 2 as part of their regularly scheduled classes from Monday-Friday, December 16-20. In addition, we have adjusted the schedule for Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup> to accommodate a Gopher Basketball rehearsal. As a result, some of the schedules had to be altered slightly for the week. An adjusted schedule for the week is included. In many cases they are at class for the same time as usual but the class schedule for them will be altered. Students do not need to wear their costumes, but they should plan to wear all black and have all their required shoes.

### Holiday Dates

We will be closed the following dates.

**Thanksgiving:** Tuesday, November 26-Sunday, December 1, 2019

**Holiday Break:** Monday, December 23, 2019-Wednesday, January 1, 2020

### Tights

Information regarding which tights each group needs for each of their dances is included. Please make sure to turn in your tight order form by Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup>.

### Gopher Game

Students in the Dreams, Crystals, Diamonds, Twilights, Sparks and Twinkling Stars will be performing during the halftime show at the Gopher Men's Basketball game on Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> at Williams Arena.

### Tickets

Included is a flyer with information regarding how to purchase tickets for family and friends who are coming to watch. To order tickets through the studio, you must hand in an order form at the front desk by December 7<sup>th</sup>. You do NOT need to order a ticket for your dancer. Tickets for the dancers will automatically be ordered and the dancers will be seated together as a group and not necessarily by their family. We encourage you to invite friends and family members to come cheer the dancers on!

### Rehearsals

The dancers will be learning the full group choreography during their technique classes in December. In order to get everything pulled together, we will also need to hold a couple extra practices. The schedule is below. Please be sure your dancer is at the rehearsals so they can be well prepared for the game!

*Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup>* 12:30-2:30 pm All dancers (See the Dec 16-21<sup>st</sup> schedule for details.)

*Saturday, January 4<sup>th</sup>* 1:30-2:30 pm All dancers

*Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup>* 4:00-5:00 pm All dancers

### Game Day Schedule

Metro Dance Center will be providing transportation via bus to and from the game. All dancers are expected to ride the bus to the arena but parents are welcome to transport their child home after they perform if they would like. Dancers must be at the studio dressed and ready to go by 4:00 pm. We will rehearse for an hour, get ready, load the bus and depart around 5:15 pm.

### Attire

Dancers will wear a T-shirt provided by Metro Dance Center & black leggings for the performance. Additional information will be sent as we get closer to the game

## **Show Dates**

The spring performances will be held at Spring Lake Park High School, May 29-31, 2020. A list with the exact show dates and times for competition students is included with this month's bill.

## **Dancing Moms**

The time is finally here for Dancing Moms to get started! Dancing Moms is open to all students and their moms, grandmas, aunts, etc. It provides a great opportunity for moms to have fun with their child, hone their dance skills and meet other moms from the studio. No previous dance experience is needed-this is just for fun! The following is a list of information about Dancing Moms.

- We are excited that Danica will be teaching Dancing Moms this year!
- Practices are held weekly on Mondays from 8:30-9:30 pm starting Monday, January 13<sup>th</sup>. The first class will be both a short informational meeting and rehearsal. Only the moms need to attend for the first few weeks.
- The Dancing Moms dance is a fun, upbeat, themed dance and is performed in all of the spring performance shows. Moms and students should plan to dance in all the shows.
- There is no additional tuition cost for current dancers-the classes are provided free of charge!
- Costume costs for both the mom and student vary greatly depending on the theme of the dance, but will be no more than \$250 total for the mom and student. Costume costs are billed at \$50 per month.
- If you are interested in registering for dancing moms, please either pick up a registration form at the desk and hand it in along with a \$50 costume deposit, or register online. The \$50 deposit is non-refundable. Registration starts December 1<sup>st</sup>. Please note that accounts must be in good standing in order for dancers to participate in Dancing Moms.

## **Dancing Dads**

Dancing Dads will again be held on Thursday evenings from 8:30-9:30 pm starting January 9<sup>th</sup>. Dancing Dads is open to students in competition and their dads, uncles, brothers, etc. Dancing Dads performs in all the shows at the spring performance and will possibly attend up to two competitions. There is no added cost for the tuition. Costumes for both the dad and daughter will not exceed \$300 in total and will be billed \$50 monthly. Competition costs run approximately \$125 total. The first class will be a short informational meeting and a rehearsal. Only the dads need to attend for the first few weeks. If you are interested in joining, please fill out a registration form at the front desk and return it, along with a \$50 costume deposit, or register online by the first night of class. Please note that accounts must be in good standing for dancers to participate in Dancing Dads.

## **Weather Related Closings**

Occasionally, Metro Dance Center will have to close due to poor winter weather. Closings will be announced on Metro's voice mail by 3:00 pm on the day of closing (8:15 am for Saturday morning classes). We will also email out information about the studio closing. Please remember that any decision to close is for the safety of our students and staff.