

WINTER 25-26

newsletter



THANK YOU!

Thank you all for a wonderful first half of our dance season! We are impressed by how much care and dedication our dancers have when they come to classes each week. As we move through the remainder of the season, please **read this entire newsletter in full** to make sure you have all the information for your dancer to be successful! As always, if you have questions or concerns please reach out to our Dance Director, Miss Caitlyn. cceasy@carrollmanor.org

CLOSURES & INCLEMENT WEATHER

CMRC Dance follows the same protocol as BCPS for weather or emergency related closings. Please keep in mind that we are considered the Hereford Zone. We will do our best to communicate weather related closings. Please visit www.bcps.org for the latest updates on closures. In the event of a last minute (nonweather or school related) closing we will send out an email. We do NOT make phone calls. We will communicate these closings via email.

When we are able, we will host makeup classes for classes cancelled for weather. These classes will be subject to the availability of a facility, and will be communicated through email.

UPDATED DATES:

Tues 12/9 - CLOSED for JES Winter Concert

Sat 12/13 - Makeup Day for 12/9

Tues 12/23-Thurs 1/1 - CLOSED for Winter Break

Mon 1/19 - CLOSED for MLK Day

Fri 2/13 - Optional Recital Prep Meeting (virtual)

Mon 2/16 - CLOSED for President's Day

Tues 2/17 - OPEN (BCPS closed)

Sat 2/21 - Dance Portraits at JES

Mon 3/2-Thurs 3/5 - Family Observation Week

Thurs 3/19 - Last Day of Classes

Sat 3/21 - Dress Rehearsals @ Parkville High (required!)

Sun 3/22 - Recitals @ Parkville High



CONFIRM NAME SPELLING

To ensure that your dancer's name is spelled correctly for the recital program and t-shirt, please check the clipboard in the lobby of the dance studio/rec center/senior center next time you pick up or drop off your child. Dancers 5th grade or younger should have a parent initial to confirm the name, while 6th-12th grade dancers can confirm on their own.

DRESS CODE

Dancers must be in proper dance attire to participate fully in classes. This includes having hair pulled back out of their face, and no distracting accessories or dangling jewelry. For our female dancers, tights are required. We do allow leggings to be worn in these colder months, but tights must be worn underneath. As costumes arrive, dancers will not be allowed to try on their costume if they are not in proper dance attire that they can try their costume on over top of. For more detailed dress code guidance, visit our website at carrollmanor.org/dance.

COSTUMES

Costumes have begun going home with dancers. Please store them in a safe, secure place. Because replacements are not guaranteed, it is very important that each dancer keeps their assigned costume in good condition. Dancers must have their full costume in order to participate in recital. Each costume bag includes tights and hair pieces, so please handle the bags carefully when transporting or organizing them. Detailed costume care instructions will be shared as we get closer to photos and recital.

DANCE PORTRAITS INFORMATION

We are excited to partner with Leslie Steppe Photography for this year's individual dance portraits! Photo Day will be held on Saturday, February 21st at Jacksonville Elementary School. A reservation link will be sent out soon for you to book your dancer's time slot and purchase your photo package.

In the meantime, please complete our [Photo Interest Survey](#) so we can plan accordingly. Filling out the survey does not obligate you to purchase photos.

See package info on the next page

- Every package includes access to a full gallery of all images taken of your dancer
- You may select your included photos and purchase additional images for \$15 + tax each
- All photos are delivered digitally
- Printed photos may be ordered through Leslie Steppe Photography's website after selection
 - Print prices start at \$3 for standard sizes (larger format options available)

PORTRAIT PACKAGES

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Photo Packages (order required in advance)

2 Individual Digital Photos - \$60 + tax

- Included 2 digital photos
- Best for dancers with 1-2 costumes

5 Individual Digital Photos - \$80 + tax

- Includes 5 digital photos.
- Best for dancers with 3-5 costumes (you will save money
- purchasing this package instead of adding photos later)

10 Individual Digital Photos - \$120 + tax

- The Ultimate Savings Package!
- This is the cheapest way to get the most amount of photos. Great for dancers with multiple costumes or even dancers with less costumes but parents would like more poses!

Sibling Add On

- Complimentary sibling photo added when purchasing individual packages for multiple children.

Friend/Small Group Add On - \$15 + tax

- Dancers purchasing packages can add a photo with a friend or small group for an additional charge. This photo will be included in their gallery for them to add on when finalizing purchases.



**DANCE
PORTRAIT DAY**
PACKAGES STARTING AT \$55
FEBRUARY 21ST



RECITAL INFORMATION!

Current information about recital can be found here:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1hqgmsraDcrjGvyP30tb-XKOZlYHDHUrEOLKVL5raw4/edit?usp=sharing>

This will continue to be updated as new information becomes available.

GIFT IDEAS FOR DANCERS

Need gift ideas for your dancer? Check out our “Holiday Gift Ideas” section of our Nimbley Site. A portion of the sales from the site goes right back into our program.

<https://www.shopnimbley.com/CMRCDance>



SPRING/SUMMER PROGRAMS

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We want to hear from YOU about what programming we should offer this Spring and Summer. Please think about your current Spring and Summer plans and tell us what dance classes you want to see this year and what time frame we should offer them.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScxrsOZLD84znvdQtXe-hxYgKtYJZu6STIsjfb7rjw5hpMl4A/viewform?usp=publish-editor>

FAMILY OBSERVATION WEEK

Adult immediate family members are invited to observe classes Monday, March 3rd through Thursday, March 6th. Stage rehearsals are CLOSED in an effort to preserve the recital magic, so we are opening up our classroom for grown-ups to get a sneak peak and see how classes typically go! Please refrain from bringing small children and any extended family members if possible so we can limit disruptions and make sure there is enough space for everyone's grown-ups.

TAHARKA FUNDRAISER - THANK YOU!

Thank you to all of the families who participated in our Taharaka Fundraiser! With your help, we were able to fundraise over \$200 for our program. As promised, families who participated will be entered into a drawing for a fun prize - keep an eye on your email to see if you won!

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