Dear RMSD Parents-

Recital Season is quickly approaching. We will have a lot of information headed your way. Please keep checking our private Facebook Page, "Rebecca McCarthy School of Dance 2018-2019", or website: www.rebeccamccarthyschoolofdance.com click on "recital information" or stop in and talk directly to the office staff or faculty.

This email will have a lot of up to date information. Make sure you read this thoroughly.

Summer Dance Schedule is available

Our summer dance schedule is available at Rebecca McCarthy School of Dance. You can find it under Summer Program. We have a guest instructors as well as the RMSD Faculty who are all looking forward to having a great time with you!

Picture Day April 12th, 13th and May 7th If your dancer can not attend please let us know

The Picture Schedule is posted on our private Facebook page. It will be on our website under "recital information". *Make sure to have your dancer ready 15 minutes before her scheduled time.* Due to the strict schedule, we can not wait for late dancers. Dancers in multiple classes will be able to change in the dance studios. There is absolutely NO STREET SHOES, FOOD OR DRINK allowed on the marley floors. A list from RMSD faculty as to what to wear with your costume will be sent soon.

Recital Program Editing

Please check the spelling of your dancer's name and make sure her name is listed in the correct class. You can find this list next to the office on the wall. This is extremely important. We want to make sure that all dancers are correctly listed.

Support Our Stars

Send a message to your dancer in the recital program! This makes a wonderful keepsake year after year. The dancers enjoy reading their messages while they are backstage. This also is a perfect opportunity for local businesses to advertise. If you own a business or know of someone who would like to advertise please pick up a form in the office OR you can print one out on our website www.rebeccamccarthyschoolofdance.com you can find it under recital information. These programs reach over 1,000 people in the area. Businesses: Don't forget to offer a coupon!

Dress Rehearsal

The dress rehearsal schedule can be found on our website under "Recital Information". It is also on our private Facebook page and posted in the studio. All dancers must attend dress rehearsal. It is important to the Raue Center Crew to know how many dancers to expect in each dance. Please have your dancer dressed in full costume, hair and makeup. Professional Pictures taken by Erin Reed Photography will take place for you. Dress Rehearsal is a closed rehearsal. Per the request of the Raue Center, the house must remain quiet with no audience.

Recital Information

There will be a separate recital email. It will contain some important information for you. Please keep an eye on your email.

Some quick information: There are two shows, 1:00 and 4:30. Our shows are held at The Raue Center for the Arts in Crystal Lake and both performances are very different. You might find that your dancer is in both shows or one show. We do our absolute best to keep siblings in the same show, however some may find that this is not their case. We do our absolute best and again, we apologize if this wasn't the case. The only solution is to have one recital but this would mean that it would be a 5 hour show with limited seating. We choose not to do this to our families. Our recitals are only two hours (this includes intermission) and you can purchase as many tickets as you would like.

Ticket information

Tickets for our performance "Fabulous Feet" will go on sale May 1st. **You can find the ticket request order form on our website APRIL 15TH.** The Raue Center handles this on a first come first serve basis. RMSD does not have anything to do with ticket sales. Please print the form, fill out the form and deliver it to the Raue Center. They will honor your seating requests to the best of their ability.

Creative Dance Classes

You will need to purchase socks through RMSD. These socks are \$15.00 and are used year after year for performances. They are also perfect for events such as; Easter, Weddings, Daddy Daughter Dances and many other special events. Please have your dancer wear these socks with both tap and ballet costumes on dress rehearsal and recital day and picture day. They should arrive this week. Make sure to check with the office.

Dads Dance

Every year RMSD invites the dads to perform. Perhaps you have seen them perform? These dads not only dance but have a GREAT time during rehearsal AND mostly after rehearsal! If you would like to be a part of the group please contact Ms. McCarthy. Rehearsals begin Thursday April, 11th.

Finale Rehearsal

All Dancers in classes the 5-7 yrs, 7-9 yrs, 10-12 yrs, preteen and teen are involved in the finale. Dancers are required to purchase the finale shirt and will be performing to Lady Gaga! We are very excited for this finale! It's extremely energetic and a lot of fun. It's the perfect ending to our show. Dancers will begin to learn their combinations in class. Rehearsals are held at RMSD. Part of these rehearsals are used for our snow days, there is no charge for the additional finale rehearsal/class. (Just a reminder: Dancers will need to wear the finale shirt, black booty shorts, tan jazz shoes or ballet shoes.)

Mark Your Calendars:

Finale rehearsals for the entire school will take place on:

April 27th 10:00-12:00

April 28th 10:00-12:00

May 4th 10:00-12:00

May 5th 10:00-12:00

May 18th 10:00-12:00

If you have any questions please reach out, 815-893-4069. We are happy to help! Sincerely,

Ms. McCarthy