

Costumes *Mar. 4 - Mar 8*

Costumes are coming in and will be going home February 27- March 3. Costumes will not be sent home unless they are <u>paid in full</u>. All Recital Fee Balances are <u>due by February 1</u>. All costumes are scheduled to be in by recital; however, not all of them will be delivered by picture day. Any class without a costume will take a group shot in their regular dance attire. All costumes need to be hung up. All tutus should be hung upside down by the crouch. Try the costume on your child because pants will need to be cut to the correct length, straps will need to be taken in, and some other small fitting needs will need to be done. No safety pins are allowed on stage. Please sew any alterations that are needed. These are costumes and need to be altered with this in mind. It needs to fit and look pretty, but the audience is 20 feet away!! Costumes cannot be worn at home.

<u>Recital Information Meeting-</u> *Feb. 10* <u>MANDATORY FOR ANY NEW FAMILIES!!</u>

You will want to make it to our Recital Information Meeting on **Saturday, February 10** at **OUR LAFAYETTE LOCATION (no children needed at meeting)**. All students who are doing an ACA recital for the first time (both locations) should have at least one representative at the meeting. We will be going over what to expect during recital season. Communication is key to a stress free recital experience. Being informed will help things go smoothly. We will go over details about recital, pictures, and rehearsals. We will end the meeting with a Question & Answer session. It is VERY important that all of our new ACA families attend. This is a great time for our satellite class (school & daycare) parents to meet the staff and get familiar with recital details. If you have students in multiple age groups, attend meeting for oldest student. **Saturday, February 10 at ACA-LAFAYETTE LOCATION 439 Millcreek Rd. Lafayette *9:00am- Green & Blue Recital**

*10:15am-Orange & Yellow Recital

Ad Sales- (Every Dancer sells one ad) *Feb 10*

We are currently selling ads to go into our program for recital. <u>All dancers are required to sell at</u> <u>least one ad.</u> Our ad sales pay for the printing, programs, and group pictures. The order form is available on our website, <u>www.acadancers.com</u> (located on Recital Page), in this packet, and also can be emailed to you. Ads are often purchased by parents, grandparents, businesses and fans. There are 4 sizes available and they are all printed in black and white. Pictures are NOT allowed in the ads. All ad sales are due February 10, get busy selling. If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Natalie (<u>natalie@acadancers.com</u>). Even though we have had quite the reduction in students, we are not requiring our dancers to sell more ads. If you have the ability to buy a bigger ad or sell a few to local businesses, that we be greatly appreciated. This will help us to continue to provide a quality program without having to increase the price per student across the board.

Pictures What to expect during picture week:

First you will take an individual bust shot in your black leotard. A group shot will be taken in <u>each</u> costume. You will need the appropriate tights (pink & tan) and shoes (pink & tan) for this picture. Hair can be fixed however you want. Individual picture packages are available for purchase through the photographer. We hire a professional photographer to ensure quality photographs to capture your dance memories. It is not mandatory that you purchase picture packages; however, I do encourage you to do so.

Please, please, please ... **Be on time**. Once a group shot is taken, it cannot be taken again. Our night is fully scheduled and we just do not have the time to wait on late dancers.

We also ask for your cooperation and understanding. The dressing room will be a little chaotic. We will have a lot of girls changing and they will be excited. All of the excitement makes it a little more chaotic. It is our goal to stay on schedule, get you in and out in a timely manner, and most of all capture a beautiful photo of your dancer. <u>During picture week, regular classes will not be held at the location taking pictures since it will be set up with equipment.</u>

Lafayette Location Picture Schedule: *March 11-March 15*

Monday—March 11	Wednesday – March 13	
4:00-5:15– Intermediate I Lafayette	4:00-4:30- Acrobats (ALL LEVELS) Lafayette	
5:15-6:15- Primary II Lafayette	4:30-5:30- Beginner II Lafayette	
6:15-7:15- Beginner Multiage Lafayette	5:30-6:30- Primary I-A & B Lafayette	
7:15-9:00- Jr I Lafayette	6:30-7:30- Mini Hip Hop & Primary II Multiage Lafayette	
	7:30-8:30- Intermediate Multiage Lafayette	
	8:15-9:20- Advanced Placement Opal & Cystal	

Thursday– March 14	Friday- March 15
2:15-3:15- Beginner Homeschool Lafayette	4:15-5:25- Advanced Placement Emerald & Garnet
3:00-4:15- Pri. II Homeschool & Int. Homeschool	5:15-6:00- Dance With Me Lafayette
4:15-4:30- Jr Hip Hop Lafayette	
4:30-5:45- Intermediate II & Pointe Lafayette	
5:45-6:45- Beginner I Lafayette	
6:45-7:00– Sr Hip Hop Lafayette	
7:00-7:10- Assistant Teachers Lafayette	
7:10-9:15- Teen I & II Lafayette	

Scott Picture Schedule (Kinder Kollege also): *March 18-21*

Monday—March 18	Tuesday- March 19
4:00-4:15- Acro Level I	4:00-4:45- Primary II Scott
4:15-4:30– Mini Hip Hop	4:45-5:45- Intermediate I Scott
4:30-5:45– Intermediate II & Pointe Scott	5:45 -6:45- Beginner I Scott
5:45-6:45– Primary I Scott	6:45-7:45- Beginner Multiage Scott
6:45-7:45- Intermediate Multiage Scott	7:45-8:45-Junior I Scott
7:45-8:00- Senior Hip Hop Scott	
8:00-9:30- Teen Scott	

Thursday– March 21 (pics @ Scott Studio)

4:15-4:30- Acro Level II Scott
4:30-4:45- Jr Hip Hop Scott
4:45-5:00- Acro Level III & Assistant Teachers Scott
5:00-6:00- Primary II Multiage Scott
6:00-7:00- Kinder Kollege
7:00-8:15- Advanced Placement Ruby, Sapphire, Pearl

Recital T-Shirts *March*

Recital T-shirts are being ordered. All students will get a complimentary t-shirt. We will also order shirts for anyone else who wants one. The cost is \$15.00 per shirt. The t-shirt order form will be sent out at a later date.

Recital DVDs *April*

ACA has hired a professional videographer to film the recital. Cameras and video cameras are only allowed at dress rehearsal. No photography or videotaping will be allowed at the recital. An order form will be sent out at a later date. Please try to preorder. Do not make checks payable to ACA. All payment should be sent directly to videographer.

<u>Recital Colors</u>

Lafayette Location

<u>Green Recital Lafayette Location</u>- Dance with Me, Beg. I, Beg. II, Beg. Multiage, Beg. Homeschool, Primary I A&B, Primary II, Primary II Homeschool, Primary II Multiage Mini Hip Hop, Acro I & some Acro II, Advanced Placement (Teams G,S,C,O). <u>Orange Recital Lafayette Location</u>- Int. I, Int. Homeschool, Int. II, Int. Multiage, Jr. I, Teen I & II, Pointe, Jr.-Sr.-Boy Hip Hop, Acro III, IV & some Acro II, ALL Advanced Placement

Scott Studio

Blue Recital Scott Studio-Kinder Kollege, Beg. I, Beg. Multiage,
Primary I, Primary II, Primary II Multiage, Mini Hip Hop
Acro I & some Acro II, Advanced Placement (Teams G,S,C,O).Yellow Recital Scott Studio-Int. I, Int. II, Int. Multiage, Jr. I, Teen, Pointe,
Jr-Sr Hip Hop, Acro III & some Acro II, ALL Advanced Placement

Recital Rehearsals

Everyone will have one general rehearsal (on stage in dance clothes) and one dress rehearsal (on stage in costume) at Crossroads Church.

What to expect at General Rehearsal

Dancers will have what we call a general rehearsal. Dancers are to wear their regular dance attire and bring all dance shoes to this rehearsal. Parents are required to stay with their dancers. This will be a very quick rehearsal which is designed to get the dancers familiar with where they go on stage. Everyone needs to be on time or early!! NO FOOD OR DRINKS!!!!!

What to expect at Dress Rehearsal

Younger dancers (9:00 & 3:30 recitals participants) should arrive to dress rehearsal with hair and makeup done in their FIRST CSOTUME.

Older dancers (participating in 11:15 & 5:45 recitals) should arrive to dress rehearsal with hair & make-up done wearing a black leotard and black pants.

Everyone will report to the stage area. Dancers will be on stage and their parent will wait in the audience with all of the costumes. We will work on finale practice. Once we conclude this practice, classes will be released to their dressing rooms one at a time. At this time parents will be asked to go with their child to the dressing room. Older dancers will need help putting on their first costume. Once your child is settled & dressed in their first costume, please report back to the audience leaving your child backstage with their designated chaperone. Once a class has completed all of their dances, an announcement will be made that you can go and pick up your dancer and go home. NO FOOD IN DRESSING ROOM!!!!! This rule has to be enforced due to severe food allergies in classrooms and also out of respect for the building. Please feed your child well before arriving and I assure you that they will be fine. Please be an example to your child and follow this rule.

Lafayette Location:

General rehearsal- Monday, May 20 (time TBA) Wednesday, May 22 (Advanced Placement ONLY) Dress Rehearsal- Thursday, May 23 (time TBA)

Scott Studio: (Kinder Kollege also)

General Rehearsal- Tuesday, May 21 (time TBA) Wednesday, May 22 (Advanced Placement ONLY) Dress Rehearsal- Friday, May 24 (time TBA)

<u>Recital</u> *May 25*

Our recital will be Saturday, May 25th at Crossroads Church. There is no cost to attend recital so please invite all your family & friends to enjoy all of the dancers' hard work!

*The Lafayette Location: Green Recital- 9:00am Orange Recital-11:15am *The Scott Studio (including Kinder Kollege): Blue Recital-3:30pm Yellow Recital-5:45pm

What to expect at Recital:

Dancers should arrive with hair and makeup done in their first costume with a cover up over it (cover up can be a robe, dad's button down dress shirt, anything that doesn't go over the head). Dancers are asked to arrive at the specified time. Doors will open 30 minutes before the first show per location for audience seating. We will not close the audience between the recitals for same location. The dancers will be dropped off at their assigned dressing room to their designated chaperone. We will have programs for each child to look at and enjoy while backstage. Each dancer will receive a program to bring home. Please do not take your child's program to use during the recital. They really enjoy looking at them while backstage. Additional programs will be for sale at the front entrance. Recital ends with our big finale which includes all the dancers. Once finale is over all children will be escorted back to their dressing rooms to be picked up by their parents.

- Pink tights with Ballet & Pointe costumes
- Tan tights with tap, jazz, acrobat and hip hop costumes. (acrobat tights must be convertibleso that dancers can be barefoot)
- Some dancers like to wear either a tan body tight or a nude leotard under their costumes this is allowed, but optional
- OLDER DANCERS ONLY (Orange & Yellow recital dancers only) Black pants to wear for the finale. They must be ankle length
- Older dancers will sometimes need black shorts or leotards under costumes. We will let those classes know.
- Hair for recital is a bun with a part on the dancers' right side, hair net around bun and extra bobby pins.
- Shoes for recital are pink Ballet shoes, tan mary-jane style tap shoes (with the buckle), tan jazz shoes (any style : Primary II– Teen), Hip Hop tennis shoes (mostly black).
- Please layer your tights. Tan tights first then pink tights on top. This keeps the girls from having to completely undress backstage.
- No panties Modesty is a priority; however, panties showing from underneath costumes draws attention to that area. So layer your tights or get a nude camisole.
- We have backstage workers that work backstage dressing all of our performers. We do not allow people to go back and forth between backstage and the audience. This is for the safety of our dancers. So you either have to be a backstage worker or an audience member. We would love all of our moms to be audience members and enjoy watching the fruit of their children's labor; however, if you would rather work backstage please let Mrs. Natalie know. Backstage workers are allowed to go backstage with dancers and can see them perform from side of stage.
- Dancers will need to arrive in their first costume. Please make sure that they have a cover up over their costume. (robe, daddy's shirt, etc..) NO UNCOVERED COSTUMES ALLOWED IN AUDIENCE BEFORE, DURING OR AFTER THE SHOW.(we will let you know what your child's first costume is once recital order in set)

IMPORTANT DATES !!

Feb. 1- Last Recital Payment Due Feb.10- Recital Meeting & Recital Ad Sales Due Mar. 11-15- Lafayette Picture Week Mar. 18-22- Scott Picture Week May 20 & 23- Lafayette Recital Rehearsals May 21 & 24- Scott Recital Rehearsals May 22- Advanced Placement Rehearsals May 25- Recital

2024 ACA Program Ad Sales "You Turn Mourning to Dancing" Saturday, May 25, 2024

Student Name:_____ Class:_____

Ad Sizes Available: (circle one)

Full Page \$240 1/4 Page \$65

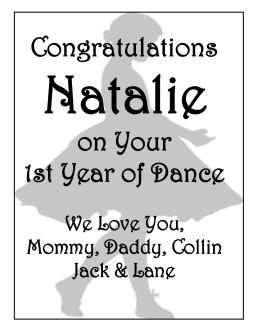
1/2 Page \$120 1/8 Page (business card size) \$40

Attach the ad (no staples) that you wish to be printed or hand write the information you would like to see appear. Business cards can be emailed- natalie@acadancers.com. No Pictures!!

All Adds due by Saturday, Feb. 10!!!

(no exceptions! Plan ahead no ad sales will be accepted late. Studio is closed on Fridays.)

ALL dancers are to sell at least ONE ad.



I want my ad to	say:	