

STUDIO POLICIES

Absences: Attendance is very important and instrumental to the development of your child's skills. If a student is not able to attend, we ask that you please call the office to report his/her absence. There are no refunds for missed classes.

Tuition Due Date: Tuition is always due the first class of the month. A 10% late fee will be applied to all tuition on the 16th. If you would like to set up credit card automatic payment, please email the office and Lisa can email you a form. We need a new authorization form each year. There are no deductions or credits for missed classes. Withdrawals must be made before the first class of the each month or you will be billed for the entire **month**.

Practice CD's and Materials: Cecchetti ballet & tap cd's for practice are available from the teachers for \$5.00. Cecchetti syllabus books are also available. Ballet coloring book/workbooks used in class can be purchased for \$5.00. Your instructor will inform you if you need to purchase any of the above items.

Website: Our new website is almost ready to launch. It has taken a little longer than expected to get it ready. We will continue to update and improve it.

Forms of Payment: We accept cash, checks, and MasterCard, Visa and Discover. If you are interested, we can set up automatic charge of your tuition each month on your card. Email Lisa at officekdgc@gmail.com if you would like to set up automatic payment.

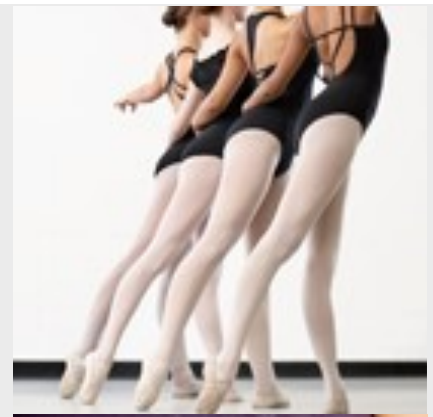
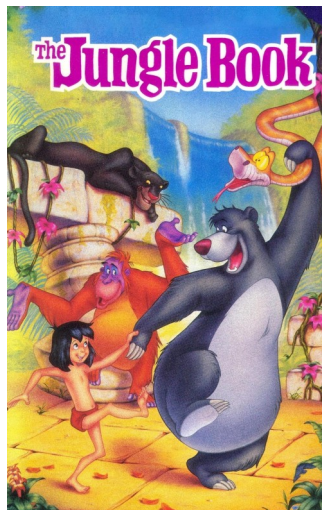
E-mail: If you do not receive e-mail from us and have an e-mail address, please let us know in the office. It has been a great help to many of our parents to receive all newsletters and forms by e-mail.

Snow Days: If we have to close due to weather, we will put it on the television stations, the answering machine and the website if possible.

Dance Show News

At the back of the newsletter you will find a sign up sheet for this year's Dance Show. The graduating seniors have decided on the theme for this year's show. Drumroll please,**"The Jungle Book"**. The 2024 Dance Show will be held on June 20 & 21 at The Scottish Rite Cathedral in New Castle, Pennsylvania. The dance show form should be filled out and returned by February 1st. Costume deposits for the dance show are \$50.00 per costume and are due by February 1st as well.

Remember—even if you are not participating in either show, please fill out the paper and return it to us so that we are aware of that.



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DATES TO REMEMBER

Jan. 10	CCO College Scholarship Due
Jan. 12-14	ODM Convention Newark
Jan. 13-14	USAG & AAU at Battle of Champ
Jan. 21	Winter Gala
Jan. 27-28	All Teams at Gym Stars - G.O.
Feb. 1	Costume Deposits due
Feb. 9-11	USAG & AAU at Blizzard Beach
Feb. 11	Jazz Line Tryouts
Feb. 18	Ballet Day at Above the Barre
Mar. 2-3	NEOGL at Great Lakes
Mar. 1-3	Cecchetti Exams
Mar. 8-10	ODM Cleveland Conv.
Mar. 9-10	USAG & AAU at G.O.
Mar. 28-Apr 3	SPRING BREAK
Apr. 1	Klinke Scholarship Due
Apr. 5-7	USAG Xcel State Meet
Apr. 20-21	NEOGL Team at Ten Pt. O
May 10-12	NEOGL Xcel Champ SOKOL
May 27	Closed for Memorial Day
Jun 15	Last Day of Classes
June 20 & 21	Dance Show

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UPDATED PARENT OBSERVATION SCHEDULE

We have decided to change the Parent Observation Schedule for the rest of the 2023-2024 season. Please read the following:

January 22 - 27 - Dance class observation

January 29 - February 3 - Gymnastics class observation

March 11 - 16 - Dance class observation

March 18 - 23 - Gymnastics class observation

May 13 - 18 - Dance class observation

May 20 - 25 - Gymnastics class observation

KDGC WINTER GALA

The Senior, Pre-Senior and Teen lines will again be hosting a performances at the Fairview Arts and Outreach Center in Struthers. It is a great experience for our dancers to perform solos and small group numbers for their family.

Last year it was a wonderful evening out, enjoying a nice dinner and watching our talented dancers. The Winter Gala will be held on Sunday, January 21. Information regarding tickets and dinner choices went out this week to all of those participating.



“Dancing with the feet is one thing, but dancing with the heart is another.”

KLINKE SCHOLARSHIP

The Peggy Klinke scholarship will be awarded again at this year’s dance show in June. It is a \$500.00 scholarship to a summer dance workshop of your choice and it is given in memory of Peggy, one of our former dancers, who was fatally assaulted.

The requirements are as follows:

- ◆ At least 11 years of age
- ◆ Submit a 1 1/2 minute video in a dance discipline of your choice
- ◆ Submit a 500-word essay, typed, double-spaced and titled “How Dance has Influenced my Life”
- ◆ Please submit application, video, and essay **no later than April 1st**

OHIO DANCE MASTERS JANUARY CONVENTION

This month we have several dancers attending the January Ohio Dance Masters Convention in Cambridge, Ohio the weekend of January 12-14. We also have one of our dancers competing in the Miss Dance Title Competition. Julia Jones, Sophia Klindworth, Mia Sciola, Madelyn Sipusic, and Kamillie Truslow will all be attending the convention and taking master classes with some really great faculty members.

Madelyn Sipusic will be competing in the Miss Dance Title Competition. We all wish her the best of luck!!



Madelyn Sipusic

DANCE EVENTS AND WORKSHOPS

Jazz Line Tryouts - Tryouts for all jazz lines will be held at the studio on Sunday, February 11. You should receive a detailed schedule soon.

Cecchetti Ohio Ballet Day—Cecchetti Ohio Ballet Day will be held at Above the Barre in Berea, on Sunday, February 18th. All Cecchetti students, Primary 3 through Grade VII are invited to attend the workshop. This workshop is wonderful for our ballet students. A registration form will be emailed with the brochure as soon as it is finalized. If you would like to attend this workshop, please let the office know. If you are eligible for the scholarship audition classes, Kathi would like you to participate in those as well.

Cecchetti Exams will be held the weekend of March 1-3, location to be announced. Students eligible for small groups are being contacted soon. Watch your email.



FITNESS CLASSES AT KDGC

PILATES REFORMER

Pilates classes are offered as one hour private classes or semi-private sessions. Kathi is Stott certified and offers classes weekdays before 2:00 p.m. Feel free to call the office if you are interested in scheduling a private.

COMPETTIVE TEAM NEWS

All of our competitive teams have competed in their first meet of the season and everyone did a great job. Our young new team members fought off their fears and did a great job at their first ever meet. We had many returning team members guide them and show them how to compete. A lot of our gymnasts moved up a level and did very well with their new requirements and routines.

A special shout out to our Platinum team that brought home the 1st place team trophy from the Upside of Downs Invitational at Ten Pt. O gymnastics.

Keep up the hard work girls!!

Upcoming Meets

January 13-14
January 27-28
February 9-11
March 2-3
March 9-10

USAG Platinum and AAU Gold Gymnasts at Battle of Champions
All Gymnasts at Gym Stars (G.O.)
USAG Platinum and AAU Gold Gymnasts at Blizzard Beach
NEOGL Gymnasts at Great Lakes Gymnastics
USAG Platinum and AAU Gold Gymnasts at Gym Stars Champ. (G.O.)

THANK YOU

The KDGC Staff would like to say thank you to all our students for the lovely Christmas gifts.

Dance Show 2024

We are now planning our 2024 Dance Show at The Scottish Rite Cathedral in New Castle, PA. The show dates are set for June 20th and 21st, with rehearsals on June 17, 18, and 19. It is imperative that we know immediately who will be participating in the show this year, so please fill out the paper below and return by February 1st. Kinderdance, Kinderdance, Ballet 1, Ballet 2, Tap 1, Tap 2, and possibly Hip Hop students will perform in one night of the show. If you are in Thursday's show you will have staging on Monday and dress rehearsal on Tuesday. If you are in Friday's show you will have staging on Monday and dress rehearsal on Wednesday.

Costume deposits will be \$50.00 per costume and due by February 1st. Costumes will not be ordered unless your deposit has been paid.

Please return this paper even if you are NOT planning on being in the show.

NAME: _____

(As you want it to appear in the program)

_____ **I WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE DANCE SHOW IN THE FOLLOWING DANCES:**

_____ BALLET _____ (CLASS TIME) _____ POINTE _____ (CLASS TIME)
_____ JAZZ _____ (CLASS TIME) _____ HIP HOP _____ (CLASS TIME)
_____ TAP _____ (CLASS TIME) _____ KINDERDANCE _____ (CLASS TIME)
_____ KINDERCISE _____ (CLASS TIME)

DANCE LINES ONLY: (mark groups you will be performing with)

JAZZ LINE _____ COMPANY _____ SENIOR _____ PRE-SENIOR _____ TEEN _____ JUNIOR

TAP LINE _____ COMPANY _____ SENIOR _____ PRE-SENIOR _____ TEEN _____ JUNIOR

DEPOSIT INFORMATION: (please make your checks payable to **KDGC**)

_____ CHARGE CREDIT CARD ON FILE FOR COSTUME DEPOSITS

_____ PAYMENT ENCLOSED (\$50.00 FOR EACH COSTUME)

_____ PAYMENT ENCLOSED (\$150 JUNIOR OR TEEN LINE COSTUMES)

_____ PAYMENT ENCLOSED (\$200 PRE-SENIOR OR SENIOR LINE COSTUMES)

FAMILIES HAVING MORE THAN ONE STUDENT IN THE SHOW:

NAME OF BROTHER/SISTER: _____ THEIR CLASS _____

_____ **I WILL NOT BE PARTICIPATING IN THE DANCE SHOW THIS YEAR.**

_____ **I AM UNCERTAIN AT THIS TIME BECAUSE:** _____