

MAKE SURE YOU ARE GETTING MY EMAILS!!!! IF YOU DID NOT RECEIVE THIS INFORMATION VIA EMAIL PLEASE FILL OUT A FORM LOCATED IN THE WOOD ORGANIZER NEAR THE DOOR & PUT IN THE DROP BOX!!!
For the future, you should notice a weekly email/newsletter from me.

Facebook – if you are on FB, we have a Brighter Days Dance Families page. I post all emails on there as well. Simply request to be part of the page and I will add you. This page is for current dance families only.

*****First Night Meeting – please make sure you stay the FIRST night of class for the FIRST 5 to 10 minutes.**

- Parent watch weeks
 - Parents are invited into the room, shoes off, to watch their child for the last 5-10 minutes of class. Each teacher may do this differently so ask them for more details.
 - If you bring other children into the room during this time, **please make sure they are not distracting the class as they try to perform.**
 - The week of November 17
 - The week of December 15
- No Class Weeks
 - The week of November 24
 - The week of December 22
 - The week of December 29
- Absences
 - If you want to report that your child will be missing a class, you will have the opportunity to email the teacher directly.
 - This will be in the original email sent as an attachment and also posted in our FB group
- SNOW DAYS
 - I will notify everyone via email if classes are cancelled/delayed along with posting it on Facebook as soon as I know anything.
 - Feel free to email brighterdaysdance@gmail.com OR call 759-5659 to verify
 - **If a class is cancelled we will NOT make it up, unless there are MORE than 2 cancellations for the same day/class.**
- Class attire/shoes
 - <http://brighterdaysdance.com/shoes-attire/>
 - **We do enforce a modesty dress code for all students ages 6 and up.**
 - Shorts/skirts MUST be to the child's fingertips or longer
 - All leotards/shirts MUST cover their mid-drift at all times while dancing

- NEW THIS YEAR: ALL Intermediate and Advanced level dancers have a MANDATORY dress code for class wear. Please visit our website for all the specifics. THIS WILL BE ENFORCED THIS YEAR!
 - I Timothy 2:9-10 “I also want the women to dress modestly, with decency and propriety, adorning themselves, not with elaborate hairstyles or gold or pearls or expensive clothes, but with good deeds, appropriate for women who profess to worship God.”
 - Do NOT wear dance shoes outside!
- Costumes
 - All students whose measurements have not been turned in by SEPTEMBER 3RD, will be measured the first week. Parents MUST BE THERE SO THEY CAN PICK SIZES!!!
 - When costumes come in, all the students will try them on IN CLASS so the teacher can see how they fit.
 - Parents are responsible for all alterations.
 - Hip Hop & Cheer will have socks provided with their costume. Please have them wear these socks during picture week, rehearsal AND the recitals.
 - Female Dancers: If your dancer needs to wear a bra, they must be nude in color.
 - Modesty Requirements: it is hard to tell if a costume will meet our requirements online. Please know there might be an addition fee for costumes when they come in if they do not meet our requirements. Examples: bike shorts, leggings, or extra fabric on chest/sleeve.
 - If you choose to have the costume sent back to the company, you will be charged a \$10 processing fee PER COSTUME. When doing this, you run the risk of a costume not being in on time for pictures.
 - Costume envelopes are handed out by the second week of class IN CLASS
 - Turn your envelope in with your costume payment by Saturday, October 3rd (either to your teacher or in the drop box)
 - Payments received AFTER October 3rd, will be subject to a \$10 or more processing fee. If costumes are not paid for prior to our ordering date, we will not order them.
- DID YOU KNOW THAT RECITAL PARTICIPATION IS NOT MANDATORY???
- We will assume your child will be in the recital unless we hear from you by September 3rd.
- If you find out mid-session that your child cannot be in the recital, please let Teresa Strenn AND the teacher know ASAP as this change affects several things. Please know that we will not return purchased costumes.
- Recital DVD's – we will be using 624 Films again this year to tape the recital. DVD's and Blu-rays will be available for purchase. Watch for forms coming out in January/February.

- Picture DAY – Scanlan Photography –the week of February 16th
 - Your child’s class will have pictures taken during their NORMAL CLASS TIME
 - Group & individual pictures will be taken
 - Child needs to come in costume with hair done
 - Picture participation is OPTIONAL. However, if your child cannot attend class that day, Scanlan Photography has offered to take your child’s individual picture at their studio.
- Recital Tickets
 - Online purchasing AND printing again this year
 - Look for an email in January/February with more details
 - Parents are not allowed backstage and must purchase a ticket if they want to watch the show.
- Recital Week – AT KAUKAUNA HIGH SCHOOL
 - Monday March 16 – 5:30 – 8:00 (DRESS REHEARSAL)
 - This is ONLY for dancers in the FIRST HALF of the Beginning through Advanced level classes. This schedule will be set in November, so be looking for more details as to when your child needs to be there. This does NOT include dancers in the Intro classes for 4 & 5 year olds.
 - Dancers come dressed in costume.
 - Parents MUST STAY for rehearsals with any child younger than 12.
 - Wednesday March 18 – 5:30-8:00 (DRESS REHEARSAL)
 - This is ONLY for dancers in the SECOND HALF of the Beginning through Advanced level classes. This schedule will be set in November, so be looking for more details as to when your child needs to be there. This does NOT include dancers in the Intro classes for 4 & 5 year olds.
 - Dancers come dressed in costume.
 - Parents MUST STAY for rehearsals with any child younger than 12.
 - Thursday March 19 – 5:30-7:30 (DRESS REHEARSAL)
 - This is ONLY for Intro classes for ages 4 & 5.
 - Dancers come dressed in costume.
 - Parents MUST STAY for rehearsals.
 - Friday March 20 – 6:00 p.m. (RECITAL)
 - This is ONLY for dancers in BEGINNING through ADVANCED levels. It does NOT include dancers in the Intro classes for ages 4 & 5
 - Dancers to arrive at 5:30 p.m. for check in
 - Dancers come in costume with hair done
 - Saturday March 21 – 10:00 a.m. (RECITAL)
 - This is ONLY for dancers in the Intro classes for ages 4 & 5 along with the ADVANCED level dancers AND if your child is in an Intermediate 2 class

THAT IS COMBINED with an ADVANCED level class, then they need to be there too. It does NOT include dancers in the Beginning and Intermediate levels. Please ask your child's instructor for clarification.

- Dancers to arrive at 9:30 a.m.
- Dancers come in costume with hair done
- Parents are not allowed backstage and must purchase a ticket if they want to watch the show.
- Saturday March 21 – 2:00 p.m. (RECITAL)
 - This is ONLY for dancers in BEGINNING through ADVANCED levels. It does NOT include dancers in the Intro classes for ages 4 & 5
 - Dancers to arrive at 1:30 p.m. for check in
 - Dancers come in costume with hair done
 - Parents are not allowed backstage and must purchase a ticket if they want to watch the show.

✚ Class Layout/discipline

- Teachers will share with you & your child their expectations the first week of dance class.
- If you have a child that is in one of the Music and Movement class OR intro classes for 4 & 5 year olds, we ask that you stay for every class and wait in the waiting room.
- **PLEASE HAVE YOUR CHILD USE THE RESTROOM BEFORE CLASS!!!** Instructors will not assist your child in the bathroom so if you have a child that needs assistance in the restroom, we ask that you stay for all classes.

✚ Attendance

- Classes are 30-80 minutes long (depending on the age/level). We know "life happens" sometimes, but we ask that you try hard to get to class on time. The teachers will begin at the scheduled time. If your child is late to class, there will be a designated area for them to go in the room to warm up their bodies before joining the rest of the class. Your child will be marked as tardy if they are more than 10 minutes late for class. A tardy is equal to an absence.
- Your child is allowed 5 "absences" if they want to be in the recital (cancellations due to weather or staff illnesses are NOT included in this number). **If your child misses more than 5 classes and wants to participate in the recital, you will be responsible for signing your child up for 1 on 1 lessons to help your child caught up (there is an additional fee for this).**

✚ Waiting Room

- Children are not allowed into the dance studios unless they are dancers or it is parent watch week.
- Please pick up toys, garbage or drinks to help us keep the waiting room clean.
- If you spill a drink other than water, please notify a staff member so we can clean it promptly.

✚ Lost & Found

- It is now located on top of the shelf in the front waiting area
- We will be donating items in the bin at the end of every month in hopes of keeping our waiting area free of clutter.
- Please check often and take what is yours.

✚ SATURDAY MORNING CLASSES!!! It's not too late to sign up for these!!!! Check them out!