



Perfect Pointe Performing Arts Studio

January 2019

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Reminders

**Weather related closings
will be posted on our
website and our
Facebook page.**

**Monday, Jan 21st
Studio CLOSED for
Martin Luther King Jr Day**

**Please call the studio if
your child is going to be
absent from class☺**

Dear Parents and Students,

My staff and I wish you a Happy, Healthy 2019! As we settle into the New Year, recital preparations are well underway. Time is going to fly for the remainder of the dance season. This newsletter is full of important information. Happy Reading!

Thank you to all our students and their families for your generous gifts and delicious treats that were given to us throughout the holidays. Your thoughtfulness was very much appreciated by all of the Perfect Pointe staff!

Also, many thanks to families and students who generously donated to **Toys For Tots!** We delivered bundles of items that I know made local children very happy for the holidays. We love giving back to the community. Thank you for your kindness in making this happen.

Among our recreational and company dancers there are many exciting things happening! We are very excited to take on 2019 with passion! May your year be filled with peace and love. Dancingly yours,

Miss Jessica

Please Mark your Calendars!

**Our 14th Annual Recital
“On The Tube” will be on
Saturday, June 15, 2019
at Jefferson High School!**

***Dress rehearsal will be
Thursday, June 13th.***

Exact schedule coming in May.

Please note: our parking lot is a “one way” road. Our families’ safety is a priority! Please follow the signs and be considerate.



Spotlight On Dance Instructor Gina Emering

From Newton, New Jersey, Gina Emering is a recent graduate of DeSales University, earning her B.A. in Dance and a minor in Business Administration. While at DeSales, she has performed works by Angela Sigley-Grossman, Timothy Cowart, Colby Damon, José Limón, Julia Mayo, Tara Madsen-Robbins, Donald McKayle, and Antony Tudor. In addition to her education, Gina has attended the Bates Dance Festival in Lewiston, Maine, where she has performed Kate Weare's *Night Light*, and worked with other artists including Autumn Eckman, Bebe Miller, Kendra Portier, and Riley Watts. Her most recent work, *I am (because we were)*, was premiered at the 2017 Emerging Choreographers Concert and later performed in Louisiana at the American College Dance Association. Gina is excited to be back at Perfect Pointe, this time as a faculty member, and looks forward to sharing her passion with her students!

Fun Facts:

How old were you when you started dancing?

4 yrs old

What is your favorite genre to teach?

Ballet

Favorite Color?

Pink

Favorite Food?

Mac n Cheese

Do you have a middle name?

Marie

Favorite Hobby?

Doing Makeup & Watching Makeup Tutorials

Famous Person You'd Like To Meet?

Emma Portner

Favorite Broadway Show?

Chicago

Favorite TV Show?

Queer Eye

Favorite Place Ever Visited?

Punta Cana

Calendar of Fun

The first class of each month is a "themed" day for our youngest dancers in our *Creative Movement*, *Kinderdance* and *Combo* classes.

Jan - Favorite Hat Day

Feb- Show Your Love Day

Mar - Favorite T-shirt Day

April - Dress Like a Princess Day

May - Bring Your Favorite Stuffie

June - Beach Babies Day

Recital Costumes

At this time, all costume balances should be paid in full.

Costumes are arriving daily! **If you haven't already, check out our costume selections that are posted in the back hallway.** Although dancers will be trying on their costumes once they arrive, the costumes will not be sent home until April. Also, they will *only* be sent home if they have been paid for in full.

(please note: costumes are non-refundable and non-returnable)

Snow/Inclement Weather Closings

Please note that our studio snow cancellation policy is as follows:
Safety is our number one concern! Our decision is made in the morning or early afternoon. We recommend that you check our Facebook page or our website for weather related information.

If classes are cancelled, you have the option to make up the class in any style of dance that best fits your schedule. You can see a listing of makeup classes on our website or inquire in the office.

ATTENDANCE

It is so important for the benefit of your child that they attend class regularly. Not only are we continuing to work on dance technique, but recital choreography is now taking place! Very exciting! Teachers and students depend on one another to be in and on-time to class. We understand it is a bad season for illnesses too. If students are extremely sick we ask that you keep them home so germs do not spread! We also encourage makeup classes to replace their missed class. You can see a listing of makeup class options on the homepage

Help Keep Our Studio Clean

Absolutely no FOOD or DRINK is allowed in the waiting rooms or studio. The only place in the studio food is allowed is the break/study room located by studio 2. My staff and I work very hard to keep Perfect Pointe clean and beautiful and we take much pride in our "home away from home!" Please encourage your children to pick up after themselves as well! Thank you for your cooperation and understanding. We are lucky enough to get the studio professional cleaned by an outside service once per week. Help to maintain its cleanliness throughout the week.

Additional Classes

There is still time to add additional classes onto your schedule. Dancers can take a trial class to experience a different style of dance that they feel might interest them. Please call the studio if you would like some additional information!

Recital Fee

A Recital Fee of \$25.00 per family will be collected to help cover recital facility costs. This fee will be charged to each account and will be due by April 13th.

Looking To Rent Space?

Know someone interested in renting space? Perfect Pointe has open studio availability weekday mornings and evenings to hold fitness classes, yoga, personal training sessions and more in a beautiful and clean atmosphere. Spread the word! Please contact Jessica for pricing and schedule options.

Marie Moretti Dance Scholarship

Each year Perfect Pointe will award two hardworking and dedicated students a scholarship towards their dance tuition in honor of Miss Jessica 's late Grandmother, Marie. One recreational student and one competitive student will be chosen and announced at the conclusion of recital.

All students are encouraged to strive and excel as they study dance this year! Please check out our scholarship plaque in the front waiting room to view previous winners.

"Like" Our Studio Page on Facebook for News & Updates

2018-2019 PERFECT POINTE PERFORMING ARTS STUDIO CALENDAR

Tuition is due the 1st of each month. Please remit by the 7th to avoid a \$10 late fee.

January

Wednesday, Jan 2
Monday, Jan 21

Studio Reopens
Studio CLOSED for MLK Jr. Day

February

Monday, Feb 18

Studio CLOSED for Winter Recess

April

Monday, April 15
Friday, April 19 - Saturday, April 27
Monday, April 29

Recital Fee due- \$25 per family
Studio CLOSED for Spring Break
Studio Reopens

May

TBA
Friday, May 24 to Monday, May 27

Picture Day
Studio CLOSED for Memorial Day

June

Saturday, June 1
Thursday, June 13
Saturday, June 15

Sparta Day
Dress Rehearsal
Recital at Jefferson High School

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If classes are cancelled, you have the option to make up a class in any style of dance that best fits your schedule. See our website for our class listing for makeups. Call the studio if you have any questions (973) 383-5274.

Abcenses:

During the winter months please remind your children how important it is to wash their hands! Do not send your sick child to dance class. All students must be fever free upon returning back to class. Students with the stomach virus should not return within a minimum of 48 hours. All dancers should remember to dress warm when coming to and from the studio. Bundle up to avoid getting sick!

Pick-up- We ask kindly that all parents or guardians are at the studio on-time to pick up their child from dance class; most importantly the last classes of the evening. Please avoid loitering on the premises after your child has been dismissed from class. If you are going to be running late please notify the office by phone and advise your child to wait in the front lobby until you arrive. Thank you for your cooperation

Dress Code- All enrolled Perfect Pointe students must follow our dress code policy from September through June. We feel if one is dressed professionally for dance class along with their fellow

students, one will dance professionally in class. Remember ALL HAIR MUST BE PULLED BACK and out of the dancers face when in the classroom!!! NO T-SHIRTS or BAGGY clothing will be tolerated in any dance class besides Hip Hop. **All Creative movement, Kinderdance, and combo classes need to be in black or pink leotard, pink tights, and proper shoes.** Any questions on dress requirements please call the studio or check our studio website under policies.

Make-up Classes- Classes are available to make-up up to one month after your child is absent from their regularly scheduled class. **Please call the studio if your child is not going to be able to make it to their regularly scheduled time.** You can check online or call the studio for an appropriate make-up class that best suits your child!

Cubbies and Locker-room- We ask that no dancers leave dance bags, shoes and other personal belongings on the floor. This is an easy way for things to be forgotten and get mixed up with the chaos between classes in the waiting area. Please make use of the cubbies in either the front or back of the studio. **Please label all dance shoes, especially the younger children with the**

child's name on the inside in permanent marker!! Always clean up after yourself and others. No locker room messes will be tolerated! Please remember to use inside voices while other classes are in session. Keep in mind; students use this space to do homework and study. Please be respectful of each other.

Arrive early to class- Arriving to the studio exactly at the start of class is not considered being on time. All students should try to arrive ten minutes early to get shoes on and make sure they are 100% ready for dance class. All classes including our baby classes will start on time. **Please call the studio to inform us if your child is going to be late.** We do understand there may be traffic or other instances that may make you delayed. If your child enters the class late, please advise them to do it in a quiet and courteous manner, so there are minimal distractions for the students already in progress.

Wi-Fi Available

For your convenience the studio does provide Wi-Fi. The password is 9733835274

Questions or Comments

Please email Miss Jessica at jessica@perfectpointestudio.com

My staff and I look forward to a great year of dance for both you and your child.

Please do not hesitate to contact us via email or at the studio office with any questions or concerns you may have!