

Artistic Dance Unlimited

October Newsletter 2023

Happy Fall!



There is lots of excitement around the studio during the month of October! We hope everyone is enjoying their classes.

The studio will be closed the week of October 2nd – 6th for Fall Break. Please make sure you read the newsletter in its entirety as there is a lot of important information this month.

Boo At ADU!



At A.D.U. we love costumes! Monday, October 23rd through Thursday, October 27th all students are invited to wear their Halloween costume or favorite dress-up outfit. The students must be able to dance in their costumes so no long skirts please. We also want to promote a positive atmosphere, so we do not allow scary costumes. We will play a game at the end of class and hand out candy. Please let us know of any food allergies or concerns regarding the candy. (We never hand out candies containing nuts)



ADU Website

You can access monthly newsletters, contact us via email, register for classes, and get general information. Please go check it out at **adudance.com**. Make sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram!



*Parents if you have questions/concerns we ask that you email the studio – please **DO NOT** message via their personal social media or messenger.

Important Studio Dates & Closings

Fall Break October 2-6
Halloween.....October 31
Thanksgiving Break.....Nov. 22 -Nov. 26
Parent Observation.....December 11-14
Christmas BreakDec 15 - Jan 1
(Classes will resume January 2, 2024)
Spring BreakMarch 11-15
Parent Observation.....April 8-11
Picture Week.....April 22-25

PLEASE NOTE recital dates for this year are **FRIDAY, May 31st & SATURDAY, JUNE 1st**
Mandatory dress rehearsals will be during the day Friday, May 31st and in the morning Saturday, June 1st.



Costumes

The **first** costume deposit was due Sept 28th. A \$30 deposit is required per class your child takes (i.e. If your child takes ballet, tap and jazz a \$90 deposit is due. The three year old Ballet/Tap class will only have one costume for recital therefore only \$30 is due.) The **second** costume deposit will be due **November 9th**.

If BOTH sets of costume deposits are not paid by Friday, Dec. 1st, COSTUMES WILL NOT BE ORDERED FOR YOUR CHILD. Please be sure to pay your deposits so all of the dancers can participate in the recital.

ADU MERCH!

Show your ADU pride! Sweat suits, sweatshirts, t-shirts and bags are available! They make great Christmas and Birthday presents for your dancer. This year all order are online and due by October 19th. Don't miss out!!

<https://adufallmerch23.itemorder.com/shop/sale/>

Note Regarding Attire & Shoes



All students should have purchased the proper shoes by this time. It is imperative that students have the proper shoes to progress in their dance training. Sample shoe sizes are available in the office. Ballet shoes should always have the strings tucked in the shoe. If strings are long, they may be trimmed. The proper way to wear ballet shoes is to make sure the strings are not visible. Hair must be up and secured. In case of lost items, be sure to label your child's dance attire with their name. Also, please make sure your dancer is adhering to the dress code. Thank you!

Recurring Billing

If you haven't signed up for reoccurring bill, (tuition, costume deposits, recital fee, etc.) you may want to consider it. Fees will automatically be charged to the card on file on the date said fees are due and receipts will be emailed to your account. It's a great way to avoid handling due dates and late fees.

**October tuition will be considered late after October 12 due to fall break.



Children in the Lobby

We always strive to make ADU a family friendly environment. We understand that siblings, both younger and older, must sometimes wait while a dancer is in class and can become impatient. Parents, please watch your younger children and do not let them run or roam throughout the studio. Please take upset and screaming children to your car or the bathroom until they are calm, as it is very distracting to other parents and can be heard in the dance rooms. We ask that you clean up after all of your children. We will gladly offer supplies to help with clean up.

Bathroom Breaks

Please take younger dancers to the restroom prior to class. Our classes for younger students are typically only 45 min-1 hours long. It is very disruptive and slows the learning process for all students when little ones are constantly being taken to the restroom.

Studio Reminders

- Don't forget! Tuition is due the first week of each month! **Anyone paying after the 10th will be charged a \$10 late fee.** Any tuition 3 months delinquent will result in student not being allowed to participate in their classes until tuition is paid in full.
- Parents, please be sure to take your children to the restroom before dance class.
- Parents, your dancers must have the proper shoes to take class. If you have not purchased the proper shoes, you must do so quickly to ensure your child's continued participation in the class.
- Please make sure that all dance shoes have the dancers name in them.
- Please keep the dressing room neat and clean.
- **No food allowed in the dressing rooms.**
- No food, drinks, or gum in the studio rooms. Dancers may eat at the round tables only.
- Proper dance clothes required for class (no T-shirts or shorts) and hair must be in ponytail if possible or away from face if too short to pull up.
- If you are dropping enrollment, you must do so before the first of the month, otherwise tuition is still due.

Dance Company Reminders

- 24/7 Convention is Oct 20th-22nd. Fees are past due.
- Balances for Company Costumes will be posted to all accounts and are due Nov 4th.
- Fantasy of Trees 2023 is a go! We will be filling out the paperwork and submitting it for performance date. We will be taking solo, duets, trios, and possibly some groups from last year.
- Christmas Parade – We will pass this information along as soon as it is available to us. More information will be coming in the newsletter & at the studio.
- **CONVENTION AND COMPETITION DATES** *The dates have been chosen for the 2023-2024 Competition/Convention schedules. If you do not have a schedule, please call or email the office. Please check your email box for fees and due dates. All fees paid after their required due date will be subject to a \$20.00 late fee.*

