

## PLEASE READ THROUGH THIS MONTH'S NEWSLETTER CAREFULLY!!

The May newsletter is packed with important end-of-season updates. Please review carefully and contact the studio with any questions.

#### **SHOES & TIGHTS**

There is still time to order your student's shoes and tights for Recital. As a reminder, both shoe and tight orders must be placed at our **810 Main Street** location. Front desk staff will be available to help with sizing/ordering Monday-Thursday evening during regular class hours.

ALL STUDENTS MUST HAVE THE REQUIRED COLOR OF SHOES AND TIGHTS IN ORDER TO PERFORM AT RECITAL.

#### IN-STUDIO DRESS REHEARSAL & PARENT VIEWING THIS WEEK! MAY 6-10

The week of **May 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>**, all non-competition classes will have an "in-studio" dress rehearsal. Students should arrive in costume, but will need to bring a change of clothes in case dress rehearsal does not take the entire class. For 30-minute classes, parent viewing will take place during the last **10** minutes of class. For 45-and 60-minute classes, parent viewing will take place during the last **15** minutes of class. Parent viewing is a great opportunity to get a sneak peek of recital routines and ask any recital-related hair, make up, or costume questions you may have.

#### PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE! superstarsperformingarts.com

With all the important events coming up in the next few weeks, the website is an extremely useful tool in finding information! The "**RECITAL**" page will be updated with pre-order forms for flowers and videos, rehearsal schedules, and recital breakouts/schedules. We urge you to check the website often for additions and changes. If you don't see the information you're looking for, please reach out and we will be happy to assist!



#### **MAY AUTOMATIC PAYMENT**

May's automatic payment was effective on Wednesday, **May 1st**. Please verify that this transaction took place and contact the studio with any questions.

All accounts must be in good standing in order to participate in Recital. Thank you.

## **RECITAL WEEK CLASSES**

In observance of Memorial Day and in preparation for Recital, no classes will be held the week of **May 27th-30th**. We will see everyone at Rehearsal on Friday, May 31st!

## **RECITAL REHEARSALS**

**May 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> | Norwalk High School Performing Arts Center** Recital rehearsal for all non-competition classes is scheduled for Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. Rehearsal will begin at **5:00pm** in the Norwalk High School Performing Arts Center. We will start with our youngest students first, and work our way up to our older students. Students should wear their blue Superstars t-shirt and black bottoms. Upon arrival, please report directly to the PAC and wait in the auditorium until your student's group is called backstage. When their class is called, students should report to the lobby outside the auditorium doors with the appropriate shoes and any necessary props. Combination class students will need to bring **both** tap and jazz/ballet shoes backstage with them. <u>(Please make sure your student's shoes are labeled prior to rehearsal.</u>) Once the combo class has completed their first routine, students will change their shoes **backstage** with the help of our backstage staff. Students in multiple classes and/or combination classes, please review the schedule carefully to determine which shoes your student will need first. Once the students are finished with all of their routines, they can be picked up in the lobby outside the auditorium and are free to go.

#### **REHEARSAL START TIMES:**

**Performance Numbers 1-15** need to arrive at 5:00pm with a 5:15 start time. **Performance Numbers 16-32** need to arrive at 5:45pm with a 6:00 start time. **Performance Numbers 33-42** need to arrive at 7:15pm with a 7:30 start time.

All competition teams and senior solos will rehearse on THURSDAY, MAY 30th.

#### **SUMMER & FALL SCHEDULES**

We would love to have you join us for our upcoming Summer and Fall sessions! More details regarding class schedules and registration will be available at Recital.

#### **COMPETITION TEAM AUDITIONS**

Auditions for our Competition Dance, Hip Hop, and Lyrical Teams will be held on **Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>**. Audition schedules will be posted at Recital. Our competition teams offer students the opportunity to expand their skills by taking additional classes at the competitive level. Competition classes are designed to challenge students through advanced skill building and accelerated technique, all at a manageable time commitment per week. Competition team auditions are open to all students; please contact the studio for more details. Auditions for Competition Baton will be held following Nationals this summer.





## RECITAL 2024- "ARE YOU READY?" SATURDAY, JUNE 1st | Norwalk High School Performing Arts Center RECITAL A- 1:30 PM | RECITAL B- 6:30 PM

We will be holding two recitals this year, and both will take place on **Saturday**, **June 1st**. Recital A will begin at 1:30 PM, and Recital B will begin at 6:30 PM. All recitals will be held at the **Norwalk High School Performing Arts Center**. Every class will perform in one show. Competition teams and select senior-level classes will perform in both shows.

**RECITAL ORDERS:** Recital orders will be posted to the RECITAL page of our website soon! Once published, we encourage parents and students in multiple classes to review carefully and notify the staff of any back-to-back performances. We understand that some students will have quick changes (<5 routines), and there will be a designated changing room near the stage to accommodate those students.

**VOLUNTEERS:** We are looking for parent volunteers to help supervise in the cafeteria during Recital. Parent volunteers will be given 4 reserved seats for the show of their choice. Please email the studio to sign up!

**RECITAL FLOWER FUNDRAISER:** Celebrate your Superstar's big day by purchasing an assorted flower bouquet! Arrangements will be provided by local florist, Bellflower. Order forms are attached to the end of the newsletter, and will be available for download from our RECITAL webpage. **Be sure to get your pre-orders placed by May 16th!** There will be a limited number of bouquets available for purchase the day of Recital. We THANK YOU for your support of the Competition Baton Team as they prepare to attend Nationals this summer.

**RECITAL VIDEOS:** Sunfire Video will once again be providing professional videography services for our performances. Digital copies of each show will be available for purchase. Order forms are attached to the end of the newsletter, and will be available to download from our RECITAL webpage.

**REMINDERS FOR RECITAL DAY:** Please arrive at least **30** minutes prior to the recital start time; students in the first 15 acts should be dressed and ready to perform. Students will report to the Eastview cafeteria to check-in and will remain in the cafeteria until their performance time. Students can be picked up after their last routine or at the conclusion of the recital. If you choose to collect your student before the end of the show, we ask that you **do not** move around the auditorium during performances. Entering/exiting the auditorium while a class is performing is distracting to both the audience and the performers. Each show will have a short intermission, which may be an ideal time to pick up your student in the cafeteria. Students under the age 8 must be picked up by an adult – No Exceptions. All students are encouraged to stay for the Finale bow at the end of each recital; Superstars Staff members will assist with lining students up in the auditorium to participate in the bow.

Auditorium doors will open **45 minutes** prior to the recital start time. Admission is free, and there is not currently a spectator limit in place. <u>Please be advised that saving seats prior to the doors opening will not be allowed!</u> Any items placed on seats prior to the doors opening will be removed. Flash photography and videotaping are prohibited during recitals as it can be distracting to the performers. Thank you for your cooperation.

**PARKING AT THE RECITAL VENUE:** During rehearsal and recital please do NOT park in the fire lanes. We've been advised that violators may be ticketed or towed. Additional parking is available on the West side of the high school by the gymnasium entrance. Thank you for your cooperation.



## THANK YOU!!!

As the 2023-2024 season comes to a close, we would like to take the opportunity to thank you for choosing Superstars Performing Arts! We are particularly grateful for your continued support, understanding, and patience during this time of transition. We are so proud of everything our students have accomplished this year, and we cannot wait to see them shine on stage at Recital!



# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR COMPETITION TEAMS!!!



Our Competition Dance and Baton teams have once again enjoyed incredible success this season! We are continually impressed by the determination and dedication of these students, and we are so proud of their accomplishments both on and off stage. WAY TO GO!!!

TALENT ON PARADE | COMPETITION DANCE

Jazz: Diamond Tap: Diamond PRETEEN TEAM Jazz: High Diamond, Judges Choice Award Tap: Double Diamond, 2<sup>nd</sup> Overall, Judges Choice Award **SENIOR TEAM** Jazz: High Diamond, 8th Overall Tap: Double Diamond, 1<sup>st</sup> Overall **PRODUCTION TEAM** Double Diamond, 2<sup>st</sup> Overall HIP HOP I High Diamond, 10<sup>th</sup> Overall, Judges Choice Award HIP HOP II Diamond HIP HOP III High Diamond, 10<sup>th</sup> Overall, Scholarship Winner TRIO Diamond **SENIOR SOLO** Diamond, TOP Starz Award

#### **GROOVE** | COMPETITION DANCE

JUNIOR TEAM Jazz: Diamond Tap: Diamond, 3<sup>rd</sup> in Category PRETEEN TEAM Jazz: Diamond, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Category, 5<sup>th</sup> Overall Tap: Diamond, 1<sup>st</sup> in category, 4<sup>th</sup> Overall **SENIOR TEAM** Jazz: Diamond, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Category, 4<sup>th</sup> Overall Tap: Diamond, 1<sup>st</sup> in Category, 1<sup>st</sup> Overall, Judges Choice Award, Choreography Award **PRODUCTION TEAM** Elite Diamond, 1<sup>st</sup> in Category, 1<sup>st</sup> Overall, Choreography Award HIP HOP I Diamond, 1<sup>st</sup> in Category, Judges Choice Award HIP HOP II Elite Sapphire, 2nd in Category HIP HOP III Diamond, 1<sup>st</sup> in Category, 5<sup>th</sup> Overall TRIO Elite Sapphire, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Category **SENIOR SOLO** Diamond, 1st in Category, 8th Overall, Judges Choice Award **VIP** | COMPETITION DANCE JUNIOR TEAM Jazz: Platinum, 1<sup>st</sup> in Category, 4<sup>th</sup> Overall Tap: Platinum, 1<sup>st</sup> in Category, 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall PRETEEN TEAM Jazz: Platinum, 3<sup>rd</sup> in Category, 5<sup>th</sup> Overall Tap: Diamond, 1<sup>st</sup> in Category, 1<sup>st</sup> Overall, 5<sup>th</sup> VIP Placement, Choreography Award SENIOR TEAM Jazz: Platinum, 1<sup>st</sup> in Category, 2 2<sup>nd</sup> Overall, 10<sup>th</sup> Overall VIP Placement, Judges Choice Award Tap: Platinum,1<sup>st</sup> in Category, 4<sup>th</sup> Overall **PRODUCTION TEAM** Diamond, 2<sup>nd</sup> Overall, 4<sup>th</sup> VIP Placement, Entertainment Award HIP HOP I Platinum, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Category, 6<sup>th</sup> Overall HIP HOP II Platinum, 3<sup>rd</sup> in Category, 7<sup>th</sup> Overall HIP HOP III Platinum, 1<sup>st</sup> in Category, Entertainment Award TRIO Platinum, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Category, 7<sup>th</sup> Overall, Judges Choice Award **SENIOR SOLO** Platinum, 1<sup>st</sup> in Category, Standout Award

#### HALL OF FAME | COMPETITION DANCE

JUNIOR TEAM Jazz: High Gold Tap: High Gold PRETEEN TEAM Jazz: Platinum, 7<sup>th</sup> Overall, Judges Choice Award Tap: Platinum, 8<sup>th</sup> Overall, Entertainment Award SENIOR TEAM Jazz: Platinum, 4<sup>th</sup> Overall Tap: Platinum, 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall, Tap High Score PRODUCTION TEAM Platinum, 1<sup>st</sup> Overall, Judges Choice Award HIP HOP I High Gold HIP HOP II Platinum, Entertainment Award HIP HOP III Platinum, 8<sup>th</sup> Overall, Entertainment Award TRIO High Gold, Judges Choice Award

**REACH FOR THE STARS** | COMPETITION BATON Beginner Small Pre-teen/Youth Dance Twirl - 1st (Let's Get Loud) Beginner Small Junior Dance Twirl - 2nd (Dark Side) Youth Halftime - 2nd (AC/DC)

**IOWA STATE COMPETITION** | COMPETITION BATON Beginner Small Youth Dance Twirl - 3rd (Let's Get Loud) Beginner Small Junior Dance Twirl - 2nd (Dark Side) Junior Halftime - 1st (AC/DC) Youth Halftime - 1st (Baseball)

**MISS MAJORETTE OF IOWA** | COMPETITION BATON Beginner Small Youth Dance Twirl - 2nd (Let's Get Loud) Beginner Small Junior Dance Twirl - 2nd (Dark Side)

Beginner Small Junior Dance Twirl - 2nd (Dark Side) Beginner Small Primary Dance Twirl - 1st (5, 6, 7, 8) Junior Halftime - 1st (AC/DC) Youth Halftime - 1st (Baseball)



Please join us in wishing the Competition Baton Team GOOD LUCK as they compete at Nationals this summer!!