



Welcome to the 2021-2022 Performance Season! This is our 53rd year and we have an exciting dance and performance season planned for you; it promises to be a great time to dream, discover and delve into new and exciting concepts and creativity! Our over-arching goals for our students is to 'Come Alive!' and to be the golden thread of encouragement, enthusiasm and engagement for our families, friends and for our community.

As always, we will do our best to create an environment that promotes the characteristics of excellence in artistry along with cultivating the character traits that foster healthy moral identity, purpose, potential and personal development of each student and staff member.

Along with exploring the curriculum of dance and performing arts, we will reinforce character traits each month, by explaining, exhibiting, expecting, and encouraging respect- for others and ourselves; responsibility- accountability in word and action; confidence- belief in ourselves; determination-the effort to overcome challenges; courage-strength in place of fear; kindness- to be considerate and sympathetic; dedication- to each other and to our mission; enthusiasm- energy to ignite success; dependability- reliability and trustfulness and gratitude-appreciation of our own and others growth and accomplishments.

Our staff believes that every student has the inner potential for great things-their existence proves their purpose and their purpose proves their potential!

The GD&PAA website will have information covering the season including scheduled classes, calendar, policy and procedure, class attire and special events. We invite you to 'like' us on Facebook, Instagram and TikTok and share with your family and friends as well. As always, if you have any questions or need more information, you can call the office: 860-872-1498 or email us at info@grossidance.com.

We request that you look for communications for the season as posted in the studio (for dancers), on the website and on Facebook and Instagram as the year progresses. Tuition and payment information is listed on the GD&PAA registrant page and classes resume Monday, September 20th, 2021. You will be receiving information about your participation in our annual Showcase held in June by February 2022.

We welcome your comments and suggestions regarding any of our policies or procedures at any time. Please note that the waiting rooms are made available for the convenience and safety of our students only this season. We ask that students please respect the activities of others by maintaining social distancing, wearing your mask, and hand sanitizing before and after class.

Please note-only water or tightly covered drinks and dry non-Peanut snacks can be allowed. Take out any containers that you bring into the studios. Students: remember to arrive at the studio dressed for class with adequate time to prepare for class; parking, getting temperature check, hand sanitizing, storage of outside shoes and clothing, etc. PLEASE PLAN AHEAD - Parents & sponsors: for your children's safety, be available in the parking lot during class time. Staff will escort students 12yrs and under to the exit at the west door when dismissed from class. Please call whenever delayed for class start time or pickup, or in advance of an absence from class so staff can plan accordingly. Classes will again be available daily on Zoom.

If any parent/student wishes a private conference concerning individual dance goals or concerns, please do not hesitate to ask. We are happy to work with you to ensure that your dance and performance year will be one of pleasure and growth. The entire faculty and GD&PAA staff wish you a fantastic performing arts season!