



Welcome to the 2022-2023 Performance Season! This is our 54th year and we have a sensational dance and performance season planned for you full of classes to inspire both students and staff to 'reach for the heights...chase all the lights that shine...feel the rhythms...connect to the ballads... leap even higher off the ground... sing their songs and celebrate each moment because it's "Another Day of Sun!" Our over-arching goals for the students this season is to be the light of encouragement that dusts the everyday off our minds; explore and allow the creative and performing arts to expand their sense of self and global mindfulness;

enrich their learning experience through character traits and encourage awareness of the strength of the artists' soul.

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

The GDPAA 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 Tik Tok 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](mailto: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 GDPAA registrant page and classes resume Monday, September 19th, 2022. You will be receiving information about your participation in our annual Showcase held in June by February 2023.

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 except for the pre-school classes. We ask that families and students remain aware of mask policies and continue to use hand sanitizers 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, hand sanitizing, storage of outside shoes and clothing, etc. PLEASE PLAN AHEAD - Parents & sponsors: for your children's safety, please be available in the parking lot or hallway during class time. Staff will escort students 10 yrs 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 be available on Zoom as needed.

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 GDPAA staff wish you a fantastic performing arts season!

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