

STUDIO POLICIES

Absences: Attendance is very important and instrumental to the development of your child's skills. If a student is not able to attend, we ask that you please call the office to report his/her absence. There are no refunds for missed classes.

Tuition Due Date: Tuition is always due the first class of the month. A 10% late fee will be applied to all tuition on the 16th. If you would like to set up credit card automatic payment, please stop at the office and someone can help you. We need a new authorization form each year. There are no deductions or credits for missed classes. Withdrawals must be made before the first class of the each month or you will be billed for the entire month.

Observation: We will have parent observation the last class in December. Parents are welcome to sit in and observe the classes. Please remember you are in a learning environment and we must keep noise to a minimum. Parent observation will also be held in February, and April.

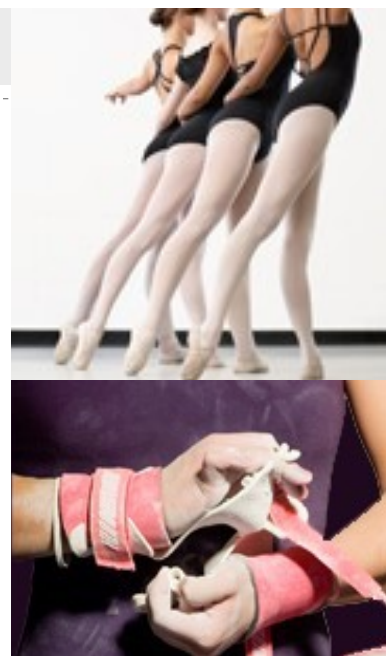
Website: Please check the website regularly. We will try to keep all new forms and papers updated on the website for you.

Forms of Payment: We accept cash, checks, and MasterCard, Visa and Discover. If you are interested, we can set up automatic charge of your tuition each month on your card. Stop at the counter if you would like to fill out the form for automatic payment.

Food in waiting areas: We would like for all food to be consumed on non-carpeted areas. With the new carpet being installed, we want to really try to keep it as nice as possible. The small dance room downstairs has become a locker room in a way. We have put benches in there for the girls to sit on and it would be great if this room could be used for eating.

MISS DANCE OF OHIO

Last month we had two students attend the Ohio Dance Masters Convention in Dayton, Ohio and compete for Miss Dance of Ohio. Alyssa Swank and Morgan Wardle had to go through the process of taking audition classes, being interviewed and performing a solo for this competition. Both Alyssa and Morgan did very well and we are very proud of them. Alyssa Swank was awarded 1st runner up to Miss Dance of Ohio, received 1st place in the solo talent competition and also received 1st in the modern audition class.



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CECCHETTI OHIO BALLET DAY AT KATHI'S

Kathi's Dance and Gym Center will be hosting Cecchetti Ohio Ballet Day here at the center on Sunday, February 12th. All students who have passed an exam are asked to please attend as much of the workshop as possible. Classes in ballet, jazz, pointe, and bonus classes such as hip hop, Zumba, contemporary, and musical theater will be offered to varied levels for all Cecchetti

students. Brochures and registration forms will be out shortly. Spring Cecchetti exams will be held here at KDGC the weekend of March 10-12, 2017. Students eligible for this exam will be contacted later in December and small group classes will be organized at that time and begin in January, after the holidays.

"To touch, to move, to inspire. This is the true gift of dance."

~Aubrey Lynch

"MIRACLE ON EASY STREET"

Miracle on Easy Street will be held December 15-18 at Powers Auditorium. Please call 330-743-8555 for ticket information. Everyone at Kathi's wishes the best of luck to all the students participating in this wonderful production. It is a must on your Christmas list of Holiday traditions and will be enjoyed by all! Congratulations to Megan Cleland, choreographer of Easy Street Productions, for another great year. Best of luck to the following participating current and former students dancing: Dani Argeras, Megan Cleland, Rachael Cleland, Teegan Graff, Abbey Kunce, Shannon Miller, Shannon Miller, Jennifer Mulally, Jacquelyn Oddo, Brianna Phillips, Abbey Sheronovich, Caitlin Slattery and Sarah Swank.

MOSCOW BALLET "NUTCRACKER"



We would like to congratulate Lauren Engle on her performance with the Moscow Ballet in "The Nutcracker". She is the only dancer from the studio that auditioned and participated this year. What a great experience for her. Congratulations, Lauren!!



"MIRACLE ON 34TH STREET"

Kathi's Dance & Gym Center will be presenting "Miracle on 34th Street" on December 18th at Mohawk High School Auditorium at 2:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. The studio began this Christmas tradition in 1997 and it was originated to become a benefit for someone in our community who is praying for a "Miracle" in their life. It is an even that truly exemplifies the true meaning of Christmas; the message of love, sharing, caring, and helping others. I would like the entire studio to make it a goal to sell out every ticket! Please just don't think of it as an even to just watch your child perform but remember it is a benefit dedicated to a worthy cause.

This year the Christmas show will benefit Josey Greco and her family. Josie is a 3rd grader at Mohawk Elementary School suffering from Cerebral Palsy. She is need of a surgery (Selective Dorsal Rhizotomy) to help with her severe muscle spasticity. This surgery involves many cuts into the sensory nerve fibers that run from the lower body muscles into the spinal cord and post-surgery is just plain ugly, for months. The end result, hopefully, is that Josie will be able to stay out of a wheelchair and will be able to continue using a walker.



DANCE LINE DINNER THEATER “WINTER GALA”

Once again this year the Company, Senior, Pre-Senior, and Teen line dancers will be holding a dinner theater evening in January. On January 22nd at Fairview Arts and Outreach Center on Youngstown-Poland Road, the girls will be hosting an entertaining evening of dinner and dance. Choreography and planning is well underway for this special night. The girls will be performing solos



and small group pieces at this event and will also be having a Chinese auction. This will be a fundraiser for the line girls to raise money to attend summer workshops. More information will follow, but please mark your calendar for this event. Reservations will be required.



UPCOMING DANCE EVENTS AND WORKSHOPS

Line Christmas Party—The dance lines will be having their Christmas party on Monday, December 19th from 7:30—9:30 p.m. Please look for more detailed information in your mailbox regarding the gift exchange and food.

ODM Convention in Newark— will be the weekend of February 3-5 at Cherry Valley Lodge. More information will be distributed soon about this convention. Please talk to Kathi if you are interested in attending.

Cecchetti Ohio Ballet Day—Ballet Day will be held Sunday, February 12th here at Kathi’s Dance & Gym Center. You will be given information regarding this workshop in class.

CHRISTMAS SHOW AUCTION BASKETS

Please don’t forget about the items for the Chinese Auction baskets. These will be auctioned at the Christmas show. IF you are in more than one class please choose the basket of your choice or donate to as many as you would like. Please turn all items in by Friday, December 16th. IF you know of any local businesses that would be willing to donate gifts or gift certificates for their goods or services, please contact them.

Kindercise	Boy’s Activity Basket – Items for boys between 3 and 6 Small cars, crayons, action figures, activity items . . .
Kinderdance	Girls Princess Activity Basket – Items for girls between 3 and 6 Dolls, princess items, dress-up, jewelry, activity items . . .
Jolly Old St. Nick	Relaxation Basket – Candles and candle accessories, coffee and mugs, Paperback books, fleece throw, chocolates
Jingle Bell Rock	Girl’s Basket – ages 7-10 – Items for girls between ages 7-10 Barbie’s, hair accessories, glitter, arts and crafts . . .
Open Hip Hop	Super Bowl Basket – Items for a football tailgate before the game Pizza/Wings Gift card, stadium blanket, snacks, beer, serving dishes or beer glasses. Anything for the football lover.
Junior Jazz	Wine & Cheese Basket – Bottle of wine, glasses, cutting board, knives, Cheese, crackers, wine stopper, opener, etc.
Teen Jazz	Bath and Beauty Basket – Items to make you feel pretty! Lotions, foot and hand care, bubble baths, polish . .
Senior Jazz	½ - Lottery Tree ½ - Movie Basket We are asking all seniors to donate \$5.00 so we can purchase lottery and movie tickets. Also bring in goodies for the movies to put in the basket, (popcorn, milk duds etc.)



FITNESS CLASSES AT KDGC

PILATES REFORMER

Pilates classes are offered as one hour private classes or semi-private sessions. Kathi is Stott certified and offers classes weekdays before 2:00 p.m. Feel free to call the office if you are interested in scheduling a private.

DANCE FIT

Jami Byler is back teaching her dance fit classes. The price of classes is \$6.00 per class. Her schedule for this year is as follows:

Monday	7:00—8:00 p.m.
Tuesday	7:00—8:00 p.m.
Friday	9:30—10:30 a.m.

BALLET BARRE

Amanda Welker is teaching ballet barre fitness classes for \$6.00 per class. Her schedule is:

Thursday	6:30—7:30 p.m.
Saturday	8:30—9:30 a.m.

TOTAL BODY CONDITIONING

Joanne Maloney is back teaching this class geared for people 40—70 years of age. Come try out the class on Wednesday mornings 9:30—10:30 a.m. And Friday 9:30—10:30 a.m. The cost is \$8.00 per class.



CHRISTMAS BREAK

We will be closed for the Christmas holiday starting on Tuesday, December 20th and through Sunday, January 1st. We will reopen on Monday, January 2nd.

We hope you all get to spend some time with family and friends over break. Thank you so much for being a part of our KDGC family.

IMPORTANT COMPETITIVE TEAM NEWS

Team Christmas Party—The competitive team Christmas party is being planned. More details regarding the party will be put in your mailbox soon.

Open Gym—Continuing this month, we will be having an open gym session on Fridays from 4:00–6:00 p.m. for any competitive team member that wants to come in and work on routines and tricks for meets. The cost of open gym is \$10.00 and is paid directly to the coaches when you come. Please sign up on the bulletin board outside the gym doors.

Upside of Downs Meet—Good luck to our gymnasts this weekend as they head back to Ten Pt. O for this holiday meet.

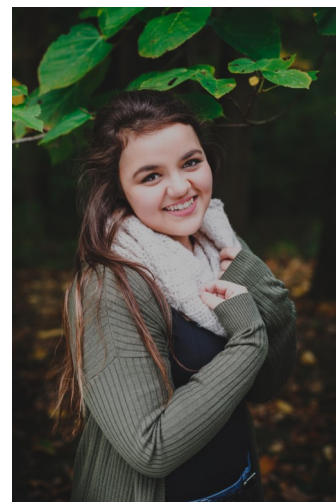
Kent State Gymnastics—Kent State will have their first gymnastics meet of the season on Friday, December 9th at 6:30 p.m. at University of Pittsburgh if any of you would like to attend. It is fun for the girls to watch college gymnasts in action. Brice really appreciates our support as well.

NEOGL Meet at Chalk Box—Our competitive gymnastics team competed in their first meet this season on November 20th at The Chalk Box. Our level threes, silvers, and golds all competed at this meet and did very well! We are so proud

of all of the girls that competed and would like to recognize how the girls placed all around. For our level 3s this was the first meet ever for many of them. Level 3s placing 4th all-around was Alayna Householder; placing 5th were Allison Beagle, Baelyn Brungard; placing 6th were Alyssa Dillon, Avery Smiley; placing 7th were Kristina Vecchione, Madison Medvec, Reese Zimmerman, Halle Argiro; placing 8th were Jaylene Jackson, Julia Clark, Renee Wright, Alivia Shetler, and Julia Diorio. Congratulations on great vaulting scores. Keep up the hard work on the rest of your events. Silvers placing all-around in 1st was Brooke Debucci; 2nd were Helen Faur and Korey Kennedy; placing 3rd were Ryley Prior, Brianne Campbell, Alexa Ignazio; placing 4th were Lydia Campbell, Nieva Fegert, Darah McKinney, and Avery Jakubovic; placing 5th were Ali Hephner, Kaley Johnson. Our golds placing 4th all-around were Levannah Walker and Cali Matey; placing 5th was Kendall Maughan; placing 6th was Ariana Smiley and placing 7th was Ayla Thompson. Many of the girls had new routines to learn for this meet and performed them very well. Continue working hard!! Good Job Girls!

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Caitlin Slattery is dancing for her 15th year at KDGC. She is a part of the junior membership program with Ohio Dance Masters, and has been attending conventions for the past 3 years. Caitlin dances in Easy Street Productions “Miracle on Easy Street.” She is very thankful for having the opportunity to dance with the cast there. This year, Caitlin was elected president of Kathi’s Krew. She cannot wait to develop new ideas for the organization throughout the coming months. Last summer, she received the Peggy Klinke Scholarship and attended a jazz intensive in Chicago. Caitlin is a senior at Buckeye Online School for Success. She is involved in Student Council and Photography Club. She anticipates going to college and majoring in Communications with a focus in Photojournalism in the fall of 2017. She is so thankful for the friendships made and lessons learned at Kathi’s. She would like to thank her teachers and the office staff at Kathi’s for all that they’ve done, and her family for supporting her all this time.



CHRISTMAS SHOW REHEARSALS

Saturday – December 17, 2016 at Mohawk High School

This is a dress rehearsal. Please be on time and dressed for your first number. Read carefully because some numbers will be done twice due to Easy Street. The 8:30-11:30 tap and jazz numbers will run through 2:30 and 6:00 shows, ballet numbers will run through 6:00 only. We will be unloading the truck at 8:00am. We would appreciate any volunteers.

8:30-11:30 Rock n Roll
 Sleigh Ride
 Oh, Santa - Teen/Junior HH
 Nightmare Before Christmas - Senior/Pre-senior HH
 Nuttin'
 Santa Tap
 Decorators
 Shoppers
 Love
 Dolls
 Eyes
 Asylum

The following numbers for seniors, pre-seniors and teens are for the 2:30 show.

11:30-3:30 **ACT I: COLE'S DEPARTMENT STORE**

Decorators
Santa's Arrival
Elves
Jolly St. Nick
Shoppers
Frosty Branches
Shake Santa Shake – Hip Hop 1
Shopper's Express
Candy Lane
Dolls
Princess Ballerina
Music Box
Sammy
Gift of Love **(1:00 estimated)**

ACT II: ROCKEFELLER SQUARE

Snow Fairy
Icicles
Proposal
Love

ACT III: SANTA'S DEMISE

Assault
Letter
Asylum
Judge's Decision
Eyes

3:30-5:30 Winter Wonderland
 Snowflakes
 Snow Ho Ho
 All I Want for Christmas
 Universal Holidays - Hip Hop 2
 Jingle Bell Rock
 Frosty Scarves and Top Hats

We will do our best to stay on schedule. Please be on time because the schedule is tight and we will be unable to wait for those who are late. I'm smiling ~ of course assuming that we are on time!!!! Fingers crossed. :)