

To Parents of Incoming Pre-Seniors:

I know there have been a lot of questions about the schedule for the pre-seniors this year. The staff has put much thought into the schedule to best accommodate everyone's needs. However, no lines are finalized until after tryouts. Due to the size of the group they will not move to the senior line schedule but are invited to take the senior line jazz class on Monday's 7:00-8:30 any time they can. We will also have some additional classes on Thursday once we get opened that they are welcome to join at any time. It is important to note that at this point in their dance career we encourage taking any classes they would like to participate in. At this time we do not know what numbers Pre-Seniors will participate in for the show. This will be determined at a later date. Many times the theme, idea for the pieces and preference of the choreographers determine how the groups blend for the show. At that time there will be specific class assignments. We are asking all pre-seniors to follow the pre-senior track on Saturday's at this time.

If they are interested in trying out for senior line tap they need to take tap on Monday and Wednesday 8:30-10:00. This will not guarantee a placement on senior line. Again, tryout scores will determine this.

Pointe tryouts have not been scheduled at this time but tryouts will also determine how we group the girls for the Christmas and spring show and specialty pieces for the Christmas show.

Christmas show has size limitations to some of the numbers do to costumes and choreography so this also will be finalized through their tryout scores. For example, "Eyes of a Child" is a number choreographed for the top 17 students and there have been years where the cut off has had to be determined by age. Numbers also determine who participates in "Mommy Kissing Santa Claus".

Please read over everything and then feel free to call me or set up a time to meet to discuss any questions that you might have. We encourage all students to strive to continue to improve and achieve personal goals but we also ask you to trust our decisions that we believe will be best for your children and will help them develop into the best dancers they can be. I thank you for your trust and support in our program and welcome all questions and comments.

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