



Kathi's Dance & Gym Center, LLC

Newsletter
February 2025

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 or email 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 email or call 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: Parent observation for dance is February 1-7 and for gymnastics it is February 8-14.

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. Email the office at officekdgc@gmail.com if you would like to fill out the form for automatic payment. When putting payments in drop box, please put check or cash in an envelope.

E-mail: Please check your email regularly so that you receive all paperwork. It has been a great help to many of our parents to receive all newsletters and forms by e-mail.

Mass Texting: I have not been sending mass texts this year because our system does not automatically set you up to receive them. If you could please take the time to text the word START to 330.882.7130. This way we can send mass texts with snow closings or other important information to individual classes. Thank you.

DANCE SHOW NEWS

"Hercules" will be the theme of this year's dance show. The show will be held at The Scottish Rite Cathedral in New Castle, Pennsylvania on June 18 & 19. Please fill out the attached form and return it to the office with costume deposits as soon as possible. These are due February 1st. All dance classes and Kindercise will be included in the show. We will begin measuring for costumes soon and it is imperative we know who will be participating. We must receive a costume deposit in order for your costumes to be ordered. We will have the show split out as soon as possible for those of you in Kindercise, Kinderdance, Ballet 1 & 2, Tap 1 & 2, and possibly hip hop.

REMEMBER—we still need the form if you are not participating in the show. Otherwise we will have to call you to find out if you are participating.



GYM SHOW NEWS

This year the theme of the gym show will be "Disney" with each of the classes/groups portraying a different Disney theme. The show will be held at Campbell Memorial High School Gymnasium on Sunday, May 18. If your child is in mommy & me, kindercise, open gym, cheernastics, tumbling, or on competitive team, please fill out the form attached to let us know if your child will be participating or NOT. Forms are due February 1, and we will begin measuring students then.



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IMPORTANT DATES

- Dance Show deposits due NOW
- Feb. 2 - Jazz Line Tryouts
- Feb. 9- USAG/AAU -Happy Feet
- Feb. 16 - Ballet Day in Berea
- Feb 22-23 - NEOGL at GLG
- Feb 28-Mar 2 - ODM in Cleveland
- March 1-2 - USAG/AAU @ G.O.
- Mar 15-16 - USAG at Spring Fling
- April 1 - Klinke Scholarship Due
- April 4-6 - USAG Plat. State Meet
- April 12-13- NEOGL at Ten Pt. O
- April 17-23 - Spring Break
- May 2-4 - NEOGL Champ SOKOL
- May 2-4 - USAG Regionals
- May 10-11 - AAU State Qualifier
- May 18 - Gym Show
- May 26—Memorial Day
- June 12—Last day of classes
- June 18&19—Dance Show

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DAFFIN'S EASTER CANDY

We are once again doing a Daffin's Candy fundraiser for Easter. Easter is late this year, but I have already contacted Daffin's and we will have brochures soon.

Fundraiser start date-2/10/25

Forms due - 3/3/25

Candy Delivery - 4/5/25

The candy is supposed to be delivered at 10:00 a.m. on April 5th. We will send an email after it is sorted and ready for pick up.

KLINKE SCHOLARSHIP

The Peggy Klinke scholarship will be awarded again at this year's dance show in June. It is a \$500.00 scholarship to a summer dance workshop of your choice and it is given in memory of Peggy, one of our former dancers, who was fatally assaulted. Please ask office for copy of the application. The requirements are as follows:

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- ◆ At least 11 years of age
- ◆ Submit a 1 1/2 minute video in a dance discipline of your choice
- ◆ Submit a 500-word essay, typed, double-spaced and titled "How Dance has Influenced my Life"
- ◆ Please submit application, video, and essay **no later than April 1st**

DANCE EVENTS AND WORKSHOPS

WINTER GALA 2024 - The Winter Gala was held on Sunday, January 19 and it was a wonderful evening. We are so proud of all of the dancers that participated in this smaller event.

Jazz Line Tryouts will be at the studio on Sunday, February 2nd. All of those trying out should have received their schedule. Good luck everyone.

Cecchetti Ohio Ballet Day—Registration for Cecchetti Ohio Ballet Day the weekend of February 16 is due January 29. This is a great workshop for all of our ballet dancers to attend. If your child is in Primary 3 ballet or higher you should have received an email with paperwork.

Cleveland ODM Performing Arts Competition and Convention - The weekend of Feb. 28 - Mar. 2, ODM will be holding a performing arts competition in Cleveland. We have five dancers competing at this competition: Amaya Abeid, Grace Burgoyne, Mia Ricchiuti, Julia Jones and Sophia Klindworth. Joining those four for convention classes and scholarship auditions are Ioanna Katsourakis, Mia Sciola, Tessa Sciola, and Kate Pifher. Have a great time, ladies.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

KOREY KENNEDY - Korey Kennedy is a Senior at Mahoning County Career & Tech Center in the Exercise Science Lab. She has been taking gymnastics for 14 years and is an Xcel Platinum gymnast on the KDGC Competitive Team. She has a very strong heart and passion for the sport of gymnastics. Korey has also been assisting and coaching at Kathi's for about five years. After high school she will be going to Kent State East Liverpool to fulfill her dream of being a physical therapy assistant to help people be healthy and happy.



COMPETITIVE TEAM NEWS

USAG/AAU Gymnasts Attend Battle of Champions in Toledo

Our USAG Xcel Platinums and AAU Xcel Golds competed at the Battle of Champions at Glass City Center in Toledo, January 18-19. Placing in the top five from our Platinums were: Allison Beagle, 3rd on beam; Lauren Wright, 4th on beam; Emily Zimbardi, 2nd on vault, 2nd on bars, 1st on beam, 1st on floor and 1st all-around. Platinums took 4th place as a team. This was the first large invitational for some of our AAU Xcel Golds and those placing in top five were: Mallory Berlon, 2nd on bars, 1st on beam, 2nd all-around; Lelia Congemi, 5th on bars, 4th on floor; Mila Congemi, 5th on vault, 4th on bars, 4th on beam, 5th on floor, 5th all-around; Sydnee Ervin, 3rd on bars, 2nd on beam, 3rd all-around; Madison Gary, 4th on vault, 4th on bars, 4th on beam, 5th all-around; Charlotte Greene, 3rd on floor; Dikaia Katsourakis, 2nd on bars, 2nd on beam; Ella Kelecava, 1st on vault, 1st on bars, 2nd on beam, 1st on floor, 1st all-around; Emma Kelecava, 3rd on vault, 3rd on beam; Delayna Latimer, 5th on vault, 2nd on bars, 3rd on beam, 2nd all-around. The Golds took 3rd place as a team. Way to Go Girls!!!



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.

Gym Stars Meet at Gymnastics of Ohio

The weekend of January 25 & 26 our entire team competed at Gymnastics of Ohio in the Gym Stars Meet. This was the first larger meet for our Bronze gymnasts. All of our teams did a great job!

Placing in the top 5 were:

Xcel Bronze - Molly Burnside, 3rd on beam, 5th on bars, 1st on vault, 5th all-around; Charlotte Miller, 3rd on floor; Olivia Davis, 4th on bars, 5th on beam, 2nd on vault, 1st all-around; Audra Fuller, 4th on beam, 3rd on vault; Piper Cyrus, 4th on floor; Paisley Nelson, 2nd on floor.

Xcel Silver - Alessa Ayers, 3rd on bars, 5th on beam, 3rd all-around; Nina Corbari, 3rd on vault; Gigi Kopp, 1st on bars, 4th all-around; Brynn McCalla, 3rd on floor, 1st on vault; Ava Monico, 1st on bars, 4th on beam, 3rd on vault, 4th all-around; Cambrie Sodeman, 2nd on bars, 1st on beam, 2nd on floor, 2nd on vault, 1st all-around; Remi Stacey-DeJong, 5th on floor.

Xcel Gold - Concetta Congemi, 5th on bars, 5th on beam; Dikaia Katsourakis, 4th on bars, 4th on floor, 4th on vault, 5th all-around; Charlotte Greene, 5th on beam; Ella Kelecava, 1st on bars, 1st on beam, 1st on floor, 1st on vault, 1st all-around; Selah Shaffer, 5th on bars; Mallory Berlon, 1st on bars, 1st on beam, 4th on floor, 1st all-around; Mila Congemi, 1st on bars, 3rd on beam, 4th all-around; Delayna Latimer, 2nd on bars, 2nd on beam, 4th on floor, 4th on vault, 3rd all-around; Myka Wilson, 4th on bars, 4th on beam, 1st on floor, 2nd on vault, 2nd all-around.

Xcel Platinum - Allison Beagle, 4th on bars, 5th on beam, 5th all-around; Korey Kennedy, 2nd on bars, 1st on beam, 5th on floor, 4th on vault, 2nd all-around; Abbey Steiner, 5th on floor; Lauren Wright, 5th on bars, 3rd on beam, 2nd on floor, 5th on vault, 3rd all-around; Angela Zimbardi, 3rd on bars, 4th on beam, 4th all-around; Emily Zimbardi, 1st on bars, 2nd on beam, 1st on floor, 2nd on vault, 1st all-around.

We are proud of the girls for their continued hard work!



Bronze Team



Silver Team



Gold Team



Platinum Team

Christmas Show Update

Thank you to everyone involved in the Christmas show this year. This show is only possible because our families give up so much of their time at the holidays to help. By allowing your children to participate in the show, donating gift cards and basket items, and bringing your family and friends to see the show, we are able to help a family in need. We couldn't do it without you.

We have received the final bill from the school and we were able to donate \$10,000 to the daughters of Tiffany Joy.



CLOSING DUE TO WEATHER

In the event that we close due to the weather, Lisa will send a text and email to parents, post it on the Facebook page, and Instagram. We do not always close when the schools are closed. A lot of times roads are clear by the time our classes are to begin. There are also times that bad weather starts later. Please make sure you have signed up to receive text messages. Directions on 1st page of newsletter.

Dance Show 2025

We are now planning our 2025 Dance Show at The Scottish Rite Cathedral in New Castle, PA. The show dates are set for June 18th and 19th, with rehearsals on June 15, 16, and 17. It is imperative that we know immediately who will be participating in the show this year, so please fill out the paper below and return by February 1st. Kindercise, Kinderdance, Ballet 1, Ballet 2, Tap 1, Tap 2, and possibly Hip Hop students will perform in one night of the show. If you are in Wednesday's show you will have staging on Sunday and dress rehearsal on Monday. If you are in Thursday's show you will have staging on Sunday and dress rehearsal on Tuesday.

Costume deposits will be \$50.00 per costume and due by February 1st. Costumes will not be ordered unless your deposit has been paid.

Please return this paper even if you are NOT planning on being in the show.

NAME: _____

(As you want it to appear in the program)

____ I WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE DANCE SHOW IN THE FOLLOWING DANCES:

____ BALLET _____ (CLASS TIME) ____ POINTE _____ (CLASS TIME)
____ JAZZ _____ (CLASS TIME) ____ HIP HOP _____ (CLASS TIME)
____ TAP _____ (CLASS TIME) ____ KINDERDANCE _____ (CLASS TIME)
____ KINDERCISE _____ (CLASS TIME)

DANCE LINES ONLY: (mark groups you will be performing with)

JAZZ LINE ____ COMPANY ____ SENIOR ____ TEEN ____ PRE-TEEN ____ JUNIOR

TAP LINE ____ COMPANY ____ SENIOR ____ TEEN ____ PRE-TEEN ____ JUNIOR

DEPOSIT INFORMATION: (please make your checks payable to **KDGC**)

____ CHARGE CREDIT CARD ON FILE FOR COSTUME DEPOSITS

____ PAYMENT ENCLOSED (\$50.00 FOR EACH COSTUME)

____ PAYMENT ENCLOSED (\$150 JUNIOR, PRE-TEEN, or TEEN LINE COSTUMES)

____ PAYMENT ENCLOSED (\$200 SENIOR LINE COSTUMES)

FAMILIES HAVING MORE THAN ONE STUDENT IN THE SHOW:

NAME OF BROTHER/SISTER: _____ THEIR CLASS _____

____ I WILL NOT BE PARTICIPATING IN THE DANCE SHOW THIS YEAR.

____ I AM UNCERTAIN AT THIS TIME BECAUSE: _____

Gym Show 2025

We are planning a Gym Show for this year. We will be having the show at Campbell High School on Sunday, May 18. We would like to start planning so we would really appreciate response as to if you are planning to participate in this program. All Competitive Team members, Open Gym, Cheernastics, Tumbling, Kindercise, and possibly Mommy & Me classes are eligible to participate. Please return the bottom form by February 1st.

A costume is required for the performance with an average cost of \$50.00. A costume deposit of \$40.00 will be due by February 1st.

NAME: _____

PHONE # _____ CLASS TIME: _____

_____ YES, I WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE GYM SHOW

_____ NO, I WILL NOT BE PARTICIPATING IN THE GYM SHOW

_____ I AM UNSURE AT THIS TIME BECAUSE:
