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October 2026 Newsletter

"Students of the Month" are **Millie Gerig** and **Chloe Miller**

Congratulations to both dancers! Please pick up your certificate and yard sign in the office!

We are proud of you!

The "Student of the Month" award is based on attendance, attitude and effort in class, sportsmanship, and progress.

Monthly Statements: Statements have been emailed. Remember, a \$15.00 late fee will be applied to all lesson fees that are not paid by the 10th of each month (This will start in October). You may set up automatic bill pay with your bank and mail it to Studio 136 Dance Center, PO Box 77, Massillon OH 44648. Online payments can be made through your parent portal or you may pay in person/over the phone.

An email with your parent portal information has been sent via email. If you have not seen this, please email so we can resend!

We accept cash, debit or credit cards, bank bill pay or cashier's checks. NO PERSONAL CHECKS.

IMPORTANT!

Participation Release Forms were emailed. If you need a paper copy, you can get these at the front desk. These must be signed and returned ASAP! We still need many of these signed and returned! Thanks for your cooperation with this!

Logowear orders: the online store will be open for logowear orders October 5-31. The link can be found in your email soon. This online store will be available for purchases through Oct. 31st at 11:59am. No late orders will be taken, no exceptions.

Dress code: it is posted on our website.

***Friendly reminder:**

- ALL ballet class dancers need to have hair in a bun/top knot (If hair is too short for a bun- a low small pony is fine- hair should be out of the face and off of the neck). Creative Movement, kinder, Petite, Youth and Teen levels- be sure to have tights, leotard and ballet shoes!
- All Jazz classes may wear black spandex shorts if they wish. No loose athletic shorts are permitted.



Halloween Fun Week: Students may dress up for Halloween Fun! Please be sure the costumes are safe to dance in! **October 26- October 31 (Mon-Sat).**



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Massillon Annual Holiday Parade: The parade will be held Saturday, November 21. Parents and students are invited to participate, but it is completely optional! If your child and/or you do decide to participate, you all will need to have the Black Studio 136 sweatshirt (crew neck or hoodie). This can be ordered during our online sale, mentioned above. If you already have the black studio sweatshirt, you do not need to order a new one. If your child is in the "tots", "creative movement", "Kinder", "petite", and "Pre-competition" level classes, he or she will ride in one of the parade "trailers/floats". "Buddy and me" is permitted but the buddy must also participate with the child. If your child is in the "Youth", "Teen" or Mini, Junior and Senior Competition level classes, he or she will learn the parade dance. If your dancer chooses to participate and is enrolled at the Youth or Teen level... he or she must attend the mandatory practice (The competition team will automatically be added to this roster since it is a mandatory performance) **A MANDATORY Parade Practice (Youth/Teen/Mini/Junior/Senior Dancers ONLY)** will be held on **Saturday, November 21, from 11:30am - 1:00 PM** at the Studio (136 23rd ST NE, Massillon OH 44646). Dancers may dress comfortably for this practice. We will provide pizza and punch around 12:30 PM and all students will need to be picked by 12:45 PM! . **The younger students that will be riding- do not attend the practice!**

Important Parade Notes:

To participate as a dancer: Sign up is located on your parent portal under the class "2026 Massillon Holiday Parade". The competition team is already on the roster. Dancers must be signed up in order to participate. To

participate as a Parent volunteer: please email kbeebe136@gmail.com to add your name to the parent volunteer list!

Donations needed & much appreciated!



We would greatly appreciate donations of:

- boxes of tissues
- bobby pins
- hair ties (elastics)
- Clorox/Lysol Wipes

If you are able to donate one or all of these items, you can drop them off in the office or give them to your child's teacher! These definitely come in handy for all of our students! Thank you!

For future planning... mark your calendars: see below



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IMPORTANT DATES 2026-27

October 5: Online Merchandise sale begins

October 26-31: Halloween week

November: Recital costume statements will be emailed to parents.

November 21: Massillon Holiday Parade

November 25-30: THANKSGIVING BREAK!

December 5: recreational costume payments are due/pointe

**December - January : WINTER HOLIDAY BREAK Dec. 21- Jan 2
(classes resume Mon, Jan. 4)**

January 28: recital fee bill will emailed to parents

March 29 : recital fees are due

March 30- April 3 : SPRING BREAK (classes resume Mon 4/5)

May 14: RECITAL, WHS Auditorium (TENTATIVELY)

May 15: RECITAL, WHS Auditorium (TENTATIVELY)

General Reminders:

Website, Facebook, & Instagram- "like" Studio 136 Dance Center on Facebook for contests, updates, memos and other important updates!! We would GREATLY appreciate recommendations on Facebook! Thank YOU all so much! Follow us on Instagram too @studio136_dancecenter. This information can also be found at www.studio136dancecenter.com.



Water bottles: Dancers are encouraged to stay hydrated. Please be sure the water bottles or containers have lids when bringing them into the studio rooms. Only water is permitted in the dance rooms.

Restroom breaks: Please make sure your dancer has gone to the bathroom before class begins. Sometimes, our younger dancers experience the need for a lot of bathroom breaks during class. This can't always be avoided, but it can interfere with class. Therefore, we would really appreciate it if you could make sure your dancer has gone to the bathroom before class begins. This helps minimize restroom breaks during class.

Fees to expect (other than monthly tuition):



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Tights/Recital costumes: Invoices for recital costumes will be distributed to parents in November with payment due in full by mid December. We understand that these payments can be difficult, so please plan accordingly. We do this so that costumes can be ordered during the holiday break in order to receive all costumes in a timely manner. If costumes require tights, those will be invoiced in January.

Recital fee/tickets: Invoices for the recital fee will also be distributed in February. Ticket sales will begin in April. We like to give this information now so you can plan accordingly and be prepared for the expenses for the year.

Video/Recital Pictures: These are optional items. Forms for both will be distributed this spring.