

# November Newsletter

## APA ~ Celebrating 21 Years

### KEEPING US INFORMED!

Please make sure you let the office staff know of any phone number, email, or address changes. Thank You!

### COSTUME DEPOSIT

The \$25 costume deposit and the yellow copy of the Recital Packet are due by **November 10<sup>th</sup>**. This first payment is not an additional costume cost! It is simply the first \$25 of your total costume purchase. Even if you have decided not to dance in the recital, we still need the yellow copy of the Recital Packet. Just make sure to circle \*NO\* in the appropriate place. Please consult your Dance Policy and Performance Policy for the specifics of the costume process.

### THANKSGIVING BREAK

Thanksgiving Break is November 23<sup>rd</sup> – November 25<sup>th</sup>. There will be no classes held and all offices will be closed on those days. Remember, no make-ups are allowed for scheduled breaks! Enjoy your Thanksgiving Holiday!!

### MAKE UP CLASSES

If your dancer is going to be gone at his/her regular class time please let us know. We will assist you with finding a make-up class he or she may attend. Remember, make up lessons are permitted through January only. Please refer to your dance policies.

### CLASS SWITCHING

Students are no longer allowed to switch or add classes for the 2016-2017 dance year. We appreciate your understanding in this matter.

### BOUTIQUE SALE

Beginning November 1<sup>st</sup>, take advantage of APA's Holiday 2016 Sale! Check out our clearance rack and save 50-60%! 20% off all animal print dance bags & 20% off all in stock dance skirts! Keep your eyes open for fun new styles arriving this month! We have lots of NEW sweatshirts and dancewear on the way! Sale is limited to stock on hand AND APA closes for the holidays on **December 19<sup>th</sup>**, so get your favorites today! **NEW THIS YEAR: November 16<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> will be Pink Sparkle Week! Keep an eye on your email for sales updates and watch Facebook for extra deals on top of the sales! \*Remember, if you are a VIP member & show us your VIP card, you will receive an ADDITIONAL 10% discount off your purchases!\***

### LOST & FOUND

Please check the lost and found in the girl's bathroom or check with the front desk if you think you may have left something here.

### PLEASE NOTE

The Academy is always open and classes are running when School District #5 is closed for PIR days.

### APA ON FACEBOOK

Keeping on top of APA news and deadlines couldn't be easier with APA on Facebook! Find "Shoni APA," friend her, and you'll be added to a private group, so you can see studio and performance pictures, and get updates on your page as well as opportunities to get extra deals in the Technique Boutique!

### PROPER SHOES AND ATTIRE

Please make sure you have the proper shoes and are wearing the correct attire in your classes. Everyone needs to purchase their shoes from APA for correct fit and uniform look. Proper attire is essential so the instructors can make sure students are utilizing correct technique. If you don't have the correct shoes you will be receiving a note.

### APA BIRTHDAY PARTIES!!

Stumped on how to help your little dancer celebrate their big day? How about a **DANCE PARTY!** APA has the perfect party for your little or big dancer! Parties include one full hour of dance instruction, games, and activities chosen especially for you and your guests. Make this birthday memorable! Stop by the front desk for more information!

### WHAT'S AHEAD

Final Costume Payment –  
December 8<sup>th</sup>  
Christmas Break –  
December 20<sup>th</sup> -January 3<sup>rd</sup>

## **NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Isabel Butterfield – 11/7  
Emily Stolfus – 11/14  
Naomi Clarke- 11/16  
Savannah Brown- 11/19  
Laura Symmes – 11/26  
Hayden Klotz - 11/26

### **LIGHT STICKS**

Sign-ups for Light Sticks begin this month! All interested students should be signed up and have their paperwork turned in by **November 22nd**. Stop by the front desk for more details!

### **DANCER LOUNGE**

Please keep in mind that our lounge is a quiet place for our dancers, who spend many hours a night here, to rest, eat, and do homework between classes. We kindly ask that parents and young children keep to the waiting room, so the tables and couch are available to the dancers! Thank you for understanding!

### **FACILITIES**

We strive to offer our dancers the best in everything, from dance instructors, studios, lounge area, and yes, even the bathroom. We try to keep everything nice and sparkly (literally, glitter everywhere!) but we need your help! Recently, we have been having issues with the bathrooms in particular, and ask that dancers please be respectful, and parents please monitor small children. Hooks have been ripped out the walls, paint has been scraped at, and the bathroom has been flooded, through no fault of our plumbing. Please help keep APA a beautiful place! Thank you!!

## **OCTOBERS STUDENTS OF THE MONTH ARE:**

### ***Isabel Phillips***

Isabel has been part of the APA family since 2010. (Double check me there) As a Pre/K and Kindergarten dancer, she experienced both ballet and tap. Currently, her focus is on mostly Ballet but has taken Jazz for years which helps make her a more versatile and rounded dancer. Isabel has great attendance and can usually be found stretching and practicing in the lounge and in the hallway. As to why she was the top student in October, Miss Shoni says, “Isabella is a hard worker! When she can’t master a step or goes across the floor and struggles you can bet she will go get back in line to re-do her turn across the floor WITHOUT being asked too! Not only does she take corrections with grace she can be seen applying them immediately and the following weeks in classes to come. She is very determined to do her best and also has a great passion for dance which can be seen in her classroom work. She always has a beautiful smile and a great attitude! She is compassionate towards her fellow classmates and can also be seen helping them out with things they are struggling with in an encouraging and kind manner. Isabel is also an assistant teacher this year and has done well stepping up the plate and improving in that area as well! I’m very proud of your hard work this year!” Well done, Isabel!



### ***Nick Brester***

Miss Erika has chosen Nick Brester as her student of the month. This is Nick’s first year at APA, and he is working hard, jumping in with both feet to tap and jazz! It can be scary to step into a new world, like that of dance, but Nick has done so boldly and with a great attitude. “He works hard in all of my classes. He takes on each new challenge with a smile and with a great natural rhythm. We can’t wait to see all of his potential take form. Keep up the great work Nick!”

**Want to be Student of the Month?** Each month, Miss Shoni, and Miss Erika will each choose a student who has demonstrated behaviors above and beyond expectations to become Student of the Month. Want that to be you? Then get in there and knock their socks off!

Here are September’s star students! The picture for October will be taken at 5:45PM on November 10<sup>th</sup>, if you were a star in November, please joins us!



**QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?**

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