

March 15, 2021 Update for dance and tumbling:

Recital News!

Hi Everyone!

I hope you are all enjoying the new, longer days knowing that spring is just around the corner. I wanted to update everyone with the great news that I received last week from the Superintendent of Caribou Schools. Because Governor Mills is slowly allowing for the opening of indoor activities, RSU 39 will allow us to use the Caribou Performing Arts Center for our Frozen 2 recital! This is amazing news not only for our Academy but for the world around us....knowing that we are moving in a safer direction. This is what I know as of today;

- 1- The Superintendent is allowing us to have our recital the weekend of July 23, 24 and 25, 2021.
- 2- Finale rehearsal will happen at C-PAC on July 19th while dress rehearsal will happen on July 21st. Times for these rehearsals will be forthcoming...possibly in the morning starting at 9am for both rehearsals.
- 3- We will have 1 full days of rehearsals on July 16,2021 at the studio starting at 9 am where each class will be practicing all of their dances and tumbling routines before our full week of rehearsals. I have scheduled these dates so that we are taking the least amount of time from your summer plans. Again, the schedule for this practice will be forthcoming. We will have our awards day on this date as well as the passing out of t-shirts. We will ZOOM with all of our dancers 3 times after our final class in May so that our dancers will stay in practice before recital.
- 4- As of today, we will be allowed to have 500 people in attendance per show (not including our dancers) as we still have to abide by the social distancing recommendations from our governor as well as what the school system is putting forth. Everyone attending our show will be required to wear a mask even though we are at 75% capacity and this will be strictly enforced as required by RSU-39.
- 5- I will be ordering costumes by the end of March. **Costume deposits of \$69.00 per child, per class will be required before any costumes will be ordered.** These deposits will be due by March 29, 2021. I realize this is short notice but that only gives me 7 weeks before we leave for the summer break to get these costumes ordered, sorted and into your hands. Most classes will only have 1 costume this year as we need to omit changing times

and the need of more people in the wings and in the cafeteria. More on this later.

- 6- I will do my best to have class photos in May, once we all have our costumes.
- 7- We will not be having intermission due to large gatherings in the lobby. We will have a short moment between Act 1 and Act 2 to stretch.
- 8- We are looking at 6-7 tickets per child for recital. Just be prepared that this is all the tickets we have to sell, and seats will be sold so as to socially distance the best that we can. This will be difficult for everyone as your party may not all be able to sit together. I need everyone to be cooperative and understanding through out this process.
- 9- I am going to have Ticket Day sometime in June as none of my seniors have costumes yet and we need to have the senior picture for the ticket before I can order the tickets.

I expect that there may be changes to the above information, but the dates will not. These dates have already been booked with the RSU and the July dates were already published in previous TMDA newsletters.

I have so much to do now that we have to go ahead with our show. Costumes, Tickets, T-shirts, Trophies, Brochures and the list goes on and on..... PHEW!! I promise to keep you posted whenever I have new information to share. This is awesome news for our dancers and tumblers, our seniors and our community. Let's make this whole experience fun for our students as they so deserve an amazing show. I need your help to make that happen.

We will see you all in class this week. We are looking forward to telling our students that all of our hard work is going to be seen on the big stage. I am excited and I am sure our students will be too!!

See you all this week! Miss Colleen