



Faith in Motion: FEBRUARY



Practice Makes PROGRESS!

Good morning, Faith in Motion Family!

Another great week of classes! Overall, attendance was much better this week. Thank you so much for getting your dancers to class, we certainly enjoy our time with them! I am so impressed with many of the routines I have seen so far. Lots of challenging choreography and hard work happening each week. I am already SO very excited for our performances! It is crazy to think we are heading into week 7 of the session... those performances will be here before we know it!

Last week's e-mail found us on an icy morning, and this week's e-mail may find us on a snowy morning! Wherever you are and whatever Mother Nature has brought us, I hope you are all safe and warm!

Here are the updates for this week, keep reading for KOMETS & COSTUME INFO:

- If your dancer has proper dance shoes, they need to wear them each week to class. Feel free to check out the "shoe swap" collection of gently used shoes that are up for grabs. You are welcome to look through what we have before or after class.

- This week is **GROUP PRACTICE!** This means that Group Practice on Monday, February 17th will take the place of ALL regular classes for the week! Toddlers/Level 1 will attend group practice at 6pm. Level 2/3 dancers will attend practice at 7pm. This means there will be **NO CLASSES** on Sunday, February 16th. **Tap 3 girls, bring your tap shoes!** I will be out of town with Miss Katie, but I have no doubt Miss Erika and Madison will lead the team this week (assisted by Miss Karly, Miss Kailyn, and Miss Lydia). I will tell Miss Katie all of you said hi!

- So far, Monday appears relatively clear for Group Practice. However, as weather concerns arise this session, please watch your e-mail and/or the Facebook page (link in the "Stay Connected" box at the bottom of this e-mail). I will make a decision by 1pm on Sundays and 5pm Mondays for weather-related cancellations.

- February's monthly payment is past due!! Please plan to pay with cash (in an envelope labeled with your dancer's name), checks (made out to Saint Joseph UMC), or credit card. If you choose to pay via credit card, please remember to pay through the registration form:

<https://stjoemin.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2655118>

- I have the link to purchase Komets tickets for our performance on April 12th!! This link will be added to the "Stay Connected" box at the bottom of my weekly e-mails. ALL dancers, instructors, and spectators must purchase tickets. Even if you are not staying for the game, tickets must be purchased for anyone who will enter the gameday festivities. This is the Coliseum's policy, not Faith in Motion's or even the Komets' policy. This is also a HUGE fundraiser for us.... we earn \$6 per ticket! **<https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/FaithInMotion>**

- Speaking of the Komets... Ballet 2, Ballet 3, Hip-Hop 3, Jazz 2, Jazz 3, Tap 3, and Julianna will perform on the ice. This will be a 3-minute mix of all of these dances during one of the intermissions. Because we will not be able to tap on the ice, Tap 3 will perform part of the group dance (along with Julianna as Annie). I know some dancers are in multiple classes, I will let you know which routine they will perform at later date. **Looking ahead... There will likely be an extra practice for these classes the week of the Komets performance (April 6-11).** I will confirm this date and add to the calendar! All other classes will perform a pre-game performance near the concessions before the game... more info to come!

- Just a reminder... **Attendance is SO important!!** It is not fair to instructors or peers in class to spend valuable class time reviewing/reteaching. Outside of injury, illness, or family emergency, we expect dancers to attend class. **If dancers miss several classes throughout the session and are not prepared to perform, they will be asked to sit out of performances. PLEASE TAKE THIS SERIOUSLY; NO ONE IS EXEMPT FROM THIS EXPECTATION, AND IT WILL BE ENFORCED THE SESSION.**

- I have **COSTUME INFO!!** **Costume fees are due March 9/10th**... you should be able to pay online as well as in cash or checks. Here are the costume and shoe prices:

ALL dancers (except our boys) will need nude-colored tights! These can be purchased with costumes for an additional \$5.

Shoe Prices:

- Pink Ballet Shoes (for Ballet 1&2, Toddler girls): \$15
- Black Ballet Shoes (for Toddler boys): \$15
- Lyrical Paws: \$15
- Black Jazz Shoes (for Jazz 2&3, Poms, Musical Theater): \$23
- Black Sequin Hip-Hop Sneakers (for Hip-Hop 1,2,&3): \$30
- Black Tap Shoes (for Tap 1, 2,&3): \$25

Costumes:

- Ballet 1 - Re-using costume from the fall; \$55 for new dancers
- Ballet 2 - Re-using costume from the fall!
- Ballet 3 - Re-using costume from the fall; \$55 for new dancers
- Lyrical - new costume - \$20
- Musical Theater - new costume - \$20
- Jazz 2 - Re-using costume from the fall; \$55 for new dancers
- Jazz 3 - Re-using costume from the fall!
- Hip-Hop 1/Boy's Hip-Hop - Re-using costume from the fall; \$55 for new dancers
- Hip-Hop 2 - This one is a little up in the air, but I am going to plan on re-using the same costume from the fall. As of now, most sizes/colors in that costume are backordered until April 18, but I will investigate this before we place our order... \$55 for new dancers
- Hip-Hop 3 - new costume - \$20
- Tap 1 - Re-using costume from the fall!
- Tap 2 - new costume - I will have this one figured out next week! I am going to try to find a costume in our storage room to keep costs down... stay tuned!
- Tap 3 - Re-using costume from the fall; \$20 for new dancers
- Poms - Re-using costume from the fall; \$55 for new dancers
- Toddlers - Re-using costumes from the fall; \$55 for new dancers
- Soloists - \$55

There will be some additional accessories for the level 2/3 group dance to be performed at recital, but those will be purchased by the studio as a part of the recital prop budget.

If you are ordering ANY costume items and/or shoes, please fill out the form at the following link: <https://forms.gle/egRTfLuezXBL6XFm8>

- Big things are happening all the time for Faith in Motion! We have two additional performance opportunities for you to consider:

1) Thank you to those of you who are planning to dance on Easter! Sign-ups are now closed, as the routine is in progress!

- *Level 3 dancers who signed up will begin practices Sunday, February 23rd at 1pm.*
- *Level 2 dancers who signed up will begin practices on Sunday, March 2nd at 1pm.*
- *Level 1 classes who signed up will begin practices on Sunday, March 9th at 1pm.*
- *All dancers will attend practices March 23, April 6, and April 13.*

2) We have been asked to perform a shortened version of our spring recital at a Senior Adult Ministry event at Brookside Church on Monday, June 9th. This event will take place in the afternoon, so you would need to be sure your dancers

are available AND they have transportation to and from Brookside. While I know this is far away, they are looking for a commitment sooner rather than later... please let me know if your dancers can attend!

So far, I have the following dancers signed up to dance at this event: Lydia, Sadie, Mabyi, Kailyn, Julianna, Julianne, Marah, Addy, Ariana, Averie, Ada, Logan, and Amber. If I do not have your name on this list but you wish to sign up, please let me know!

- Our fall recital is now LIVE on our YouTube channel!! This makes it easier to view and share to friends and families. If you still would like a DVD of the show, please let me know. I have a small supply available to share. Here is the link to the recital: https://youtu.be/s_wZJgWNVa8?si=dMoqLMvyAuYNGqc6

See you all soon!!
Holly Fox



SAVE THESE DATES:

Monthly Payments Due: March 2/3, April 6/7

Group Practices: February 17, March 17, April 21

Costume Fees Due: March 9/10

Komets Performance: Saturday, April 12

Dress Rehearsal: Friday, May 2, 6-8pm

Recital: Saturday, May 3

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Social Media:
www.facebook.com/faithinmotiondancestudio

YouTube:
<https://youtube.com/@hollyglentzer6378?si=hOiSVQbpMnBoQRsk>

Website: stjoemin.com/dance

Komets Ticket Link: <https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/FaithInMotion>

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WEEKLY DANSPARATION



"Our Budding Ballerina"

This week, I am thrilled to share about our very own BRIELLE! Though Brielle is new to our dance family, she comes to us with MUCH dance and gymnastic training. With a background in all styles of dance, Brielle has been a perfect fit in Jazz 3 and Ballet 3. Within her first session of ballet, Brielle was up on pointe! It was beautiful to watch her dance on pointe alongside Karly at our holiday performances! Brielle's turns and jumps are amazing and really added something special to the jazz routine as well. Brielle is confident, which makes her such a strong performer overall. In class, she is both serious about learning AND fun to be around. She participates in equal parts of perfecting dance skills and joking with her peers. I love hearing that Brielle works on the routines outside of class time with some of the other dancers in her classes. During this time, I have heard she offers constructive criticism that helps the dancers grow and improve as a group. One of the most heartwarming things to watch is Brielle be a big sister to Caitrin (who is in the toddler class). Watching them get their dance pictures taken together was so sweet! As you can see from the February weekly e-mails, they turned out beautifully and really show how Brielle looks over Caitrin as well as how Caitrin looks up to Brielle. When Miss Erika was out last week, Brielle happened

to be walking through the hallways during Ballet 2. She saw that I was struggling to lead warm-ups, and the girls were struggling to remember the order of all the stretches and steps to practice. Brielle jumped right in and led the group! As she led all of the warm-ups, she gently offered tips to help the girls. I was so proud of her leadership! We are so glad Brielle is a part of our Faith in Motion family!

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