



**March 2021**

**UPCOMING PRACTICES!!**

**No Practice Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup>**

5:00-6:30 Team Passion Groups

5:45-7:15 Team Fierce Groups

7:15-7:45 Elite Tap

7:45-10:00 Teen/Senior Groups

**Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**

5:30-6:30 Production

*Good Luck at MWS Solos/Duets & Trios*

**Practice Schedule**

**Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> & Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>**

| Studio I    |                       | Studio II   |                         | Studio III  |                         |
|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| 11:00-12:30 | Team Passion Groups   | 11:00-11:45 | Team Fierce Solos Grp 2 | 11:00-11:45 | Team Fierce Solos Grp 1 |
|             |                       |             |                         | 11:45-12:30 | Int II Technique        |
| 12:30-1:45  | Team Fierce Groups    |             |                         | 12:30-1:00  | Int I Technique         |
|             |                       | 1:00-1:45   | Team Passion Solos      | 1:00-1:45   | Team Passion Solos      |
| 1:45-2:45   | Production (Playbill) |             |                         |             |                         |
| 2:45-4:00   | Senior Groups         | 2:45-3:30   | Teen Solos Grp 1        | 2:45-3:00   | Teens Solos Grp 2       |
| 4:00-5:30   | Teen Groups           | 4:45-5:30   | Senior Solos Grp 1      | 4:00-4:45   | Elite Technique         |

**No Practice, Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup> - Spring Break!!**

**Dress Rehearsal**

Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup> & Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup>

Full costume & Make-up. We will be inviting parents of dancers to observe their dancers. Studio II & III will be used as dressing rooms. We are running this over 2 days to allow for less dancers in the studio at a time. Each "Team" will have a studio to themselves for a dressing room. Specific times will be emailed soon!

## **Big/Lil Sis**

At dress rehearsal your dancer will find out the *exciting* news of who their Big/Lil Sis is for the season. Being a good role model is a huge part of what we teach our dancers. Carrying themselves with grace and being looked up to, not only a good dancer, but a wonderful person. We love to see the “Big” sis really connect with the young dancer to help them in dance, encourage them on and off the floor and have the reward of being a great role model. The weekend before each competition sisters will exchange a \$15-\$20 gift with a personalized note. We exchange these during Production. If your dancer is paired with a “Mini” please bring your gift the last 10 minutes of their practice to exchange or the Thursday before practice. Please have your dancer bring an “About Us” sheet to practice on Thursday/Sunday to share information with your sister. This should include...Full Name, Picture, Age, Grade, School, Favorite Color, Favorite Candy, Favorite Snack, Favorite Activity and something special about you!

***We will exchange gifts the weekend before an attending competition, so our first sister gift exchange will be at our Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> practice!!***

## **Attending Competitions**

Competition schedules usually come out 7-10 days prior to the event. Covid procedures may change between events. We will include this information when we email the schedule. In the past we have asked dancers to arrive 90 minutes prior to their scheduled time, but if an attending competition specifies something different, please follow their request. Dancers are expected to stretch on their own and we always practice as a group prior to going on stage. Dancers should not be watching in the auditorium during their “warm up time”, unless instructed to watch as a team...this is their warmup time.

**Awards...**All dancers are required to be at awards for their dances, wearing their NSOD uniform jackets. We will assign who gets the award for groups, all awards should be taken by the assigned dancer and brought to the studio the following week to hand out. Outside of your performance and awards we LOVE having our studio present to support each other, but it is not required.

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## **Communication**

Are you on Facebook? We have a Facebook group that we use to communicate during competitions. If you are not a part of this group send me an email and we will make sure to add you!!

*We are excited to start our season. The excitement of seeing all the dancers hard work on stage is so rewarding. We encourage each dancer to base their success on the feeling they have when they walk off the floor. Our goal is to improve with every performance. Thank you for your continued support!*