

STUDIO POLICIES

Absences: Attendance is very important and instrumental to the development of your child's skills. If a student is not able to attend, we ask that you please call the office to report his/her absence. There are no refunds for missed classes.

Tuition Due Date: Tuition is always due the first class of the month. A 10% late fee will be applied to all tuition on the 16th. If you would like to set up credit card automatic payment, please email the office and Lisa can email you a form. We need a new authorization form each year. There are no deductions or credits for missed classes. Withdrawals must be made before the first class of the each month or you will be billed for the entire **month**.

Practice CD's and Materials: Cecchetti ballet & tap music for practice is available from the office. Cecchetti syllabus books are also available. Ballet coloring book/workbooks used in class can be purchased for \$5.00. Your instructor will inform you if you need to purchase any of the above items.

Website: Please look at our website for important dates, forms, and schedules.

Forms of Payment: We accept cash, checks, and MasterCard, Visa and Discover. If you are interested, we can set up automatic charge of your tuition each month on your card. Email Lisa at officekdgc@gmail.com if you would like to set up automatic payment.

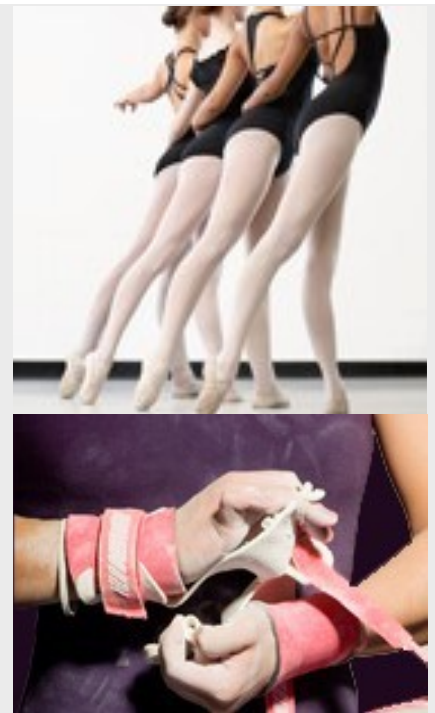
E-mail: If you do not receive e-mail from us and have an e-mail address, please let us know in the office. It has been a great help to many of our parents to receive all newsletters and forms by e-mail.

Snow Days: If we have to close due to weather, we will put it on the answering machine, our Facebook and Instagram.

DANCE SHOW NEWS

At the back of the newsletter you will find a sign up sheet for this year's Dance Show. The graduating seniors are working on deciding the theme of the 2026 Dance Show. The show will be held on June 18 & 19 at The Scottish Rite Cathedral in New Castle, Pennsylvania. The dance show form should be filled out and returned by February 1st. Costume deposits for the dance show are \$50.00 per costume and are due by February 1st as well.

Remember—even if you are not participating in either show, please fill out the paper and return it to us so that we are aware of that.



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DATES TO REMEMBER

Jan. 10	CCO College Scholarship Due
Jan. 11	Winter Gala
Jan. 16-18	Platinum/Gold@Battle
Jan. 23-25	ODM Convention Cambridge
Feb. 1	Costume Deposits due
Feb. 7-8	All Teams at Gym Stars - G.O.
Feb. 8	Jazz Line Tryouts
Feb. 15	Ballet Day at Above the Barre
Feb. 21-22	NEOGL at Great Lakes
Feb 28-Mar 1	USAG at G.O.
Feb 27-Mar 1	Cecchetti Exams at AADbK
Mar. 6-8	USAG at Kalahari
Mar 13-15	ODM Cleveland Conv.
Mar. 27-29	USAG Xcel State Meet
Apr. 1	Klinke Scholarship Due
Apr. 2-8	SPRING BREAK
Apr. 18-19	NEOGL Team at Ten Pt. O
Apr. 24-26	USAG Regionals in Kentucky
Apr. 25-26	AAU State Qualifier
May 1-3	NEOGL Xcel Champ SOKOL
May 25	Closed for Memorial Day
Jun 11	Last Day of Classes
June 18-19	Dance Show

PARENT OBSERVATION SCHEDULE

Parent Observation Schedule for the rest of the 2025-26 season is listed below.

Please read the following:

Gymnastics Observation

January 17—23

April 18—24

Dance Observation

January 24—30

April 25—30

KDGC WINTER GALA

The Senior, Pre-Senior, Teen and Pre-Teen lines will again be hosting a performances at the Fairview Arts and Outreach Center in Struthers. It is a great experience for our dancers to perform solos and small group numbers for their family. Last year it was a wonderful evening out, enjoying a nice dinner and watching our talented dancers. The Winter Gala will be held on Sunday, January 11.



“Dancing with the feet is one thing, but dancing with the heart is another.”

KLINKE SCHOLARSHIP

The Peggy Klinke scholarship will be awarded again at this year's dance show in June. It is a \$500.00 scholarship to a summer dance workshop of your choice and it is given in memory of Peggy, one of our former dancers, who was fatally assaulted.

The requirements are as follows:

- ◆ At least 11 years of age
- ◆ Submit a 1 1/2 minute video in a dance discipline of your choice
- ◆ Submit a 500-word essay, typed, double-spaced and titled “How Dance has Influenced my Life”
- ◆ Please submit application, video, and essay **no later than April 1st**

MIRACLE ON EASY STREET

Before Christmas we had over twenty students participate in “Miracle on Easy Street” at the DeYor Performing Arts Center. It was wonderful seeing our students perform in this show. We are also very proud of our jazz teacher, Megan Cleland, for choreographing and dancing in the show as well. Great job to all of you!!



DANCE EVENTS AND WORKSHOPS

Ohio Dance Masters—The weekend of January 23-25, some of our students will be attending the ODM convention in Cambridge, Ohio. Mia Ricchiuti will be competing for Miss Dance of Ohio, and Mia Sciola, Tessa Sciola and Ioanna Katsourakis will also be attending the convention.

Jazz Line Tryouts - Tryouts for all jazz lines will be held at the studio on Sunday, February 8. You should receive a detailed schedule soon.

Cecchetti Ohio Ballet Day—Cecchetti Ohio Ballet Day will be held at Above the Barre in Berea, on Sunday, February 15th. All Cecchetti students, Primary 3 through Grade VII are invited to attend the workshop. This workshop is wonderful for our ballet students. A registration form will be emailed with the brochure as soon as it is finalized. If you would like to attend this workshop, please let the office know. If you are eligible for the scholarship audition classes, Kathi would like you to participate in those as well.

Cecchetti Exams will be held the weekend of February 27—March 1 at All About Dance by Kristen in Stowe. Students eligible for small groups are being contacted soon. Watch your email.

COMPETITIVE TEAM NEWS

All of our competitive teams have competed in their first meet of the season and everyone did a great job. Our young new team members fought off their fears and did a great job at their first ever meet. We had many returning team members guide them and show them how to compete. A lot of our gymnasts moved up a level and did very well with their new requirements and routines.

Keep up the hard work girls!!

We would like to give a special congratulations to Ella Kelecava for earning a 9.90 on bars at the Golden Ticket meet that was held the weekend of December 13 & 14 at the Summit County Fairgrounds. Way to go, Ella!!!

THANK YOU

The KDGC Staff would like to say thank you to all our students for the lovely Christmas gifts.



FITNESS CLASSES AT KDGC

PILATES REFORMER

Pilates classes are offered as one hour private classes or semi-private sessions. Kathi is Stott certified and offers classes weekdays before 2:00 p.m. Feel free to call the office if you are interested in scheduling a private.



Dance Show 2026

We are now planning our 2026 Dance Show at The Scottish Rite Cathedral in New Castle, PA. The show dates are set for June 18th and 19th, with rehearsals on June 15, 16, and 17. It is imperative that we know immediately who will be participating in the show this year, so please fill out the paper below and return by February 1st. Kinder-cise, Kinderdance, Ballet 1, Ballet 2, Tap 1, Tap 2, and Hip Hop 1 & 2 students will perform in one night of the show. If you are in Thursday's show you will have staging on Monday and dress rehearsal on Tuesday. If you are in Friday's show you will have staging on Monday and dress rehearsal on Wednesday.

Costume deposits will be \$50.00 per costume and due by February 1st. Costumes will not be ordered unless your deposit has been paid.

Please return this paper even if you are NOT planning on being in the show.

NAME: _____

(As you want it to appear in the program)

_____ **I WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE DANCE SHOW IN THE FOLLOWING DANCES:**

_____ BALLET _____ (CLASS TIME) _____ POINTE _____ (CLASS TIME)
_____ JAZZ _____ (CLASS TIME) _____ HIP HOP _____ (CLASS TIME)
_____ TAP _____ (CLASS TIME) _____ KINDERDANCE _____ (CLASS TIME)
_____ KINDERCISE _____ (CLASS TIME)

DANCE LINES ONLY: (mark groups you will be performing with)

JAZZ LINE _____ COMPANY _____ SENIOR _____ PRE-SENIOR _____ TEEN _____ PRE-TEEN _____ JUNIOR

TAP LINE _____ COMPANY _____ SENIOR/PRE-SENIOR _____ TEEN _____ PRE-TEEN _____ JUNIOR

DEPOSIT INFORMATION: (please make your checks payable to **KDGC**)

_____ CHARGE CREDIT CARD ON FILE FOR COSTUME DEPOSITS
_____ PAYMENT ENCLOSED (\$50.00 FOR EACH COSTUME)
_____ PAYMENT ENCLOSED (\$200 JUNIOR, PRE-TEEN, or TEEN LINE COSTUMES)
_____ PAYMENT ENCLOSED (\$250 PRE-SENIOR, SENIOR LINE COSTUMES)

FAMILIES HAVING MORE THAN ONE STUDENT IN THE SHOW:

NAME OF BROTHER/SISTER: _____ THEIR CLASS _____

_____ **I WILL NOT BE PARTICIPATING IN THE DANCE SHOW THIS YEAR.**

_____ **I AM UNCERTAIN AT THIS TIME BECAUSE:** _____