WELCOME TO OUR NOVEMBER OBSERVATION DAY!

PLEASE REFRAIN FROM USING YOUR CELL PHONE DURING OBSERVATION (other than taking photos). The students and teachers will appreciate your attentiveness.

Taking Photos? Please tag us and use our hashtag #cdalife. Tag our 'location' Central Dance Academy!

LOST AND FOUND: Stop and check the lost and found. Items will be donated to Goodwill on November 16th.

CDA PARENT HANDBOOKS: We have created a handbook for ALL of our necessary studio information that parents need to know about classes, special events, our annual show and much more. If you haven't received a copy via email or paper please stop by the office and the secretary can either email you a copy or give you a paper copy to take home.

COSTUMES: Costumes will be arriving, we will send out a video talking about required costume adjustments needed. ALL costumes have some form of adjustment.

CLASS BEHAVIOR AND PARTICIPATION: We do expect all students to behave properly while in class. We will make every effort to ensure each child's needs are being met and we redirect when we can. If some behaviors become disruptive to others, the child may be asked to take a break in the office, and a parent/guardian may be called. For our full Disciplinary Action, please ask for a copy at the office.

PINK WEEK SUCCESS: 14th annual Pink Week was a success! Thank you to everyone who participated. The proceeds that were raised have been donated to June E. Nylen Center in Sioux City. The total amount raised was **$801.00!**

PARENT QUESTIONS: We are serious about improving our parent/student/staff relations. We welcome questions and suggestions from Parents. If you have a question or idea that you would like to discuss with one of our staff, please arrange a time to talk with them so they are able to give it their full attention. Trying to catch a teacher in-between, before or after a class does not allow the teacher to give you their full attention.

STUDIO CARE

- Classes where students are wearing tennis shoes need to bring a second pair for class as the salt and moisture get on the dance floor (Hip Hop, Musical Theater, Boys).
- Please help us keep the studio looking nice by picking up any trash, snack wrappers, snack spills, water bottles, food, etc in the hallway.
- Please remind students to refrain from sitting on the cubbies, tumbling mats, and tables in the hallway.

WEATHER CANCELLATIONS: Please check our website at cdaiowa.com, Twitter, Instagram, the Facebook Central Dance Academy - CDA Page, the CDA Parent Page, Text from the Sentinel, and KTIV for canceled classes due to weather. The App works GREAT for Push Notifications.

- Sentinel Texts - not signed up? Go online and get signed up!
- We may still hold classes even if school cancels depending on the weather throughout the late morning/early afternoon.
- Reminder: we do allow up to two cancellations per class which may be made up in a similar level (if desired); we will schedule make up classes if any class reaches 3+ cancellations.

COMMUNICATION: We have several forms of communication to get the important information to the parents. We utilize all of the below to post/email pertinent information. Did you know? All our emails that have been sent can be found in your Parent Portal?

- **Facebook:** CDA Le Mars Parent Page and Central Dance Academy - CDA
- **Email Weekly News Splash** (please verify email address with us if not receiving these). Please also check your "junk" or "promotions" inboxes
- **Instagram** is **CDA Iowa**
- **X** is **CentralDanceIA**
- **CDA APP:** **Google Play Store** **Apple App Store**

Once you download, follow the prompts to get a code to fully login!

REMINDER OF MAKE UP POLICY: Students are allowed 4 absences from January 1st – June (*Performance*). If the student is absent from a class they can make up in a similar class which will cancel out an absence. If your dancer is not contagious they may sit and watch which will only count as an ½ absence. If the student misses 5 or more classes they will not be allowed to participate in the year end show. *Note: If your dancer is a Company Member please refer to your 2026-2027 Company Policies & Procedures for their company Attendance & Make Up Policy.*

LAST LESSON/CLASS OF THE YEAR: BEFORE THE SHOW AND DRESS REHEARSAL IS REQUIRED FOR ALL STUDENTS, ANY STUDENT ABSENT WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SHOW. Last class dates: MAY 31-JUNE 3, Mon-Thurs will be our onstage class rehearsal days. Saturday classes will have to be scheduled on a different day. Some classes will also be on different days as we condense from 3 rooms to one stage. Reminder: we will have on stage classes on Memorial Day.

ABSENT FROM CLASS: If your student will be gone from class for any reason you may enter their absence on the parent portal. Or you may call or e-mail the office.

DATES LOOKING FORWARD

- November 15: Costume Balance due. Late Fee After December 1
- November 24-29: Thanksgiving Break, No Classes. Classes Resume Monday, November 30
- November 28: Christmas In Hometown Le Mars. CDA Performs 12:00-1:00p on Olson Events Center Stage and 6:00-7:00 during tree ceremony
- December 5: Lighted Parade. Sign Up Coming Soon!
- December 6: CDA Performs at Remsen Festival of Trees 5:00pm
- December Coming Soon: CDA Performs at Museum
- December 14-17: Christmas Routines (Last Part of Classes)
- December 20-January 1: Holiday Break, No Classes. Classes Resume Saturday, January 2
- January 10: CDA Company Exhibition. Tickets coming soon
- January 18-23: Second Observation Week
- May 31-June 3: Onstage Class (REQUIRED)
- June 4-6: Dress Rehearsal & Show Dates
- For a FULL LIST OF DATES Refer to your handbook!

FUNDRAISERS COMING SOON! The CDA Company dancers are excited to be traveling to Phoenix, Arizona this summer to attend Fluid Nationals. To help offset some of the expenses there will be some fundraisers coming soon! Shop on November 21 & 22 at Collective & Co. during their Holiday Open house for a free beverage with the purchase of $50 or more, and a percentage of sales will be going to the CDA Company!

THANK YOU! Thank you for choosing CDA for your student's dance education. We are serious about growing the customer experience and are happy to listen to concerns or suggestions you might have to help us improve!