Hello dancers! Welcome, or welcome back to Starstruck! Thank you so much for choosing our dance academy. We are looking forward to a great new year and are excited to be starting our 21st season of dance!

Below are some important dates for the 2023-2024 season that you can add to your calendars.

Important Dates	Day of Week	Description
September 11th	Monday	Classes Begin
October 2nd-7th	1 Week	Bring a Friend Promotion
October 21st-26th	Saturday-Thursday	Fall parties in class
Oct/Nov (exact dates TBD)	1 Month	Cookie Sales for Fundraising
October 28th-November 2nd	Saturday-Thursday	Fall Break-No Classes
November 6th-11th	Monday-Saturday	Try a New Class Promo
November 11th	Saturday	Recital Costume Deposits Due
November 22nd-26th	Wednesday-Sunday	Thanksgiving Break-No Class
December 1st (tentative date)	Friday (4:00-5:30pm)	Cookie Fundraiser Pick Up
December 16th-21st	Saturday-Thursday	Winter parties in class
December 23rd-January 5th	2 weeks	Winter Break-No Class
January 6th	Saturday	Classes resume after break
January 6th	Saturday	Recital Costume Balances Due
March 11th-17th	Monday-Sunday	Spring Break-No Class
March 22nd	Friday	Recital info comes out
March 30th	Saturday	Easter Break
May TBD	TBD	Recital Picture Week at the studio
May 23rd-27th	Thursday-Monday	Memorial Day Weekend-No Class
First weekend of June (tentative recital date)	TBD	Dress Rehearsal/Recital

Other studio closings

If LPS is ever closed for <u>inclement</u> weather, we will be closed as well. If bad weather begins during the day, then you will be able to go onto the website or our Facebook page to see if we are holding classes for that day. The LPS rule only applies for weather. There could be times when dance is still in session when LPS does not have class, so please be sure to look at the website's calendar if you forget.

Tuition Info

Please be sure your credit card info is kept updated in your parent portal for your automatic monthly tuition payments. Your first payment will pull on Tuesday, September 6th. After the 10th of each month, there will be a \$25 late fee attached if you have not yet paid your tuition. You can make a payment anytime online in your parent portal. *If you ever have a problem paying on time or if something comes up, please speak with Emily personally, and we can certainly work something out.

*Please make sure you have paid your <u>registration fee and first month's tuition</u> by September 5th.

Emails/Social Media

We will be sending out emails weekly on Fridays, so please be sure that we have your correct email on file. All communication will be done via email, so it's integral we have your correct information. Please also bookmark our website at www.danceatstarstruck.com and like us on Facebook and Instagram, so that you can stay up to date with all studio announcements, reminders, and events. This will be the best way to stay up to date with all things Starstruck! We stay very active on social media, so it's a great place to stay in the know!

Class Placement

During the first couple of weeks of classes, we will be observing your dancers' levels, and if we need to move dancers to different classes, we can discuss this. So please be patient with us as we get started, and let us know if you have concerns with a class. We will be sure to get everyone in the right place! We have some new levels this year, so please work with Miss Emily and your teacher to ensure you are in the correct class.

Fundraising opportunity for your costume costs

Starstruck and Eileens are teaming up again this year to offer you and your dancer a fun opportunity to raise money for your costume fees. This fundraiser will be easy and helpful. The money that your dancer raises can be put towards his/her costume totals. If she/he raises more than the total costume amount, the funds can help pay for recital memorabilia later on and also earn them **FREE** cookie dough!!! We will have more on this coming soon. Cookie sales begin the middle of October.

Recital/Dress rehearsal

Our 21st annual recital weekend will tentatively be the first weekend of June at Lincoln East High School. There will be more information coming out on this in March after spring break. I will send out exact dates once I finalize those with the school.

Recital Deposits

For those participating in recital, a costume deposit of \$70, for each class, is due by November 11th. There are options to either pay the deposit early, or add an additional amount to tuition payments that will be used as credit. Please speak with Emily if you have any questions or concerns or if we can help you set up your costumes to pull via ACH. Your final costume balance will then be due by January 6th.

Discount

Remember, if you would like to take advantage of the 10% discount when you pay for your whole year of dance, you can do so through September 19th. Please let Emily know if you would like to take advantage of this discount.

Communication

Communication is so very important to us. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns at any time, so that we can make your dancing experience the best it can be! We are here for you! Thanks so much. Let's have a great year!

Love, Miss Emily and Staff

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