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## **Keep Calm and DANCE ON!!**

Not just our clever theme for the 2021 recital, but beginning next week (not this coming week) ~ our new mantra! KEEP CALM & DANCE ON! It's time to dance & we can't wait!



We are right on schedule to resume our dance classes beginning **NEXT** week (not this coming week) ~ the week of January 11th. We can not deny this decade is "different" in many ways, and therefore MDDU dance may be a little different as well. To accommodate dancers who may not feel as ready to restart dance next week, I am implementing a "multiple date restart". What does that mean? Well, this year we are giving our dancers an option on when they want to restart from three dates this semester: the week of January 11th, the week of February 8th, or the week of March 8th.

Due to the unique circumstances our world is in, we are allowing a few options for this upcoming semester. We will be resuming classes, as previously scheduled, for next week, the week of January 11th. But for those dancers that would maybe like a little more time before they return to the dance studio, we will allow a start up date for the week of February 8th and the last start up date for the week of March 8th. What that means: You & your dancer pick from one of those three restart-up weeks and that's when they start to re-attend & that's when your monthly fee will begin. So... if your dancer is feeling ready to come back next week as planned, the week of January 11th, then they will start to attend their normal schedule class & you will start January pay. If your dancer would like to wait and give a little more time, then they can pick the option to start back up the week of February 8th and start with the February pay (and you would not pay for January). If you & your dancer would like even more time, you can pick the week of March 8th start-up date, then you would not pay for January fee or February fee, you would start with your March pay.

We of course want to see all our dancers as soon as we can, but we understand different situations & feelings all are in/have ~ so I'm doing my best to accommodate and give options. Recital Costumes will be ordered this coming week and we are still planning for some sort of Spring Recital/Showcase for the end of May. (I waited on ordering costumes, just in case anything changed.) I unfortunately do not know any exact information about our Spring Recital right now (dates/times/locations/how it will all work), and I don't predict we will know for a couple more months. BUT we will make something happen for sure! You will return to the studio to continuing dance training as well as learning recital dances to perform end of May. Will it be the grand performances we were used to from 1984 - 2019, probably not quite like that due to the state of everything, but we will make it something special (and out of the studio) for sure! Time will tell!

All the same dance studio protocols & schedules that we established August 2020 will continue to be in effect into this semester and on.

## I thank you for your patience, cooperation, and going with the flow with all this and am SO excited to get back into that studio!

To help keep our GoMotion Billing System up-to-date, and to keep us organized, please let me know by this <u>Friday</u>. <u>January 8th</u> if you & your dancer will not be choosing this month's start-up date, but one of the future ones. (So if you're restarting on schedule the week of Jan. 1 Ith, you do not need to let me know! Only if it's Feb. or March start-up.)

—>The week of February 8th

-> The week of March 8th

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Hope this email finds everyone doing well & staying safe! Please communicate if anything changes on your end with your dancing needs. I completely understand, want everyone to feel comfortable & safe, and know dance is <u>optional</u>, but hope it can be a little bit of normalcy in this ever crazy changing world (and get them out of the house!) :).

xoxo, Miss Molly