

Dear Students & Parents,

**Welcome** new and returning students! We trust you had a healthy and relaxing summer. Congratulations to all who participated in the 2009 recital, you were all wonderful!! We at TDC are looking forward to another prosperous year. Our focus is to continue to achieve a high quality, disciplined, yet nurturing dance atmosphere.

TDC would like to welcome back our **staff** Miss Angela, Miss Corey, Miss Liz, Miss Melissa, Mr. Shaun, Miss Susan, Miss Tracie, Miss Victoria, Miss Karen C., Miss Karen D., & our office manager Miss Holly. We would also like to welcome our new teachers Miss Amy, Miss Chrissy and Miss Natalie to our teaching staff.

TDC will continue our many exciting programs this year and we hope you & your family will participate. We are excited to announce our collaboration with Atlantic City Ballet to present "Dracula" at the Scottish Rite Theater, Collingswood, on October 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm. More information coming soon! Please plan to come out & support our dancers.

**TDC is proud to be offering "An Enrichment Program for Kindergarten and Pre-K students on Wednesdays.** Your child will be able to enjoy the continuity of a full day with our Certified Staff member through early education, incorporating the academia and art of movement. Children will participate in expanding on the alphabet, numerals, color charts, reading, phonics, etc all through the art & craft of movement. (see activity board or front desk for details)

**Continuing Classes & Activities:** TDC will be offering **Partnering & Variations** for our Int/Advanced level ballet students, **Traditional Irish Step** from Deirdra Shea School of Irish Dance, **Adult Ballet/Ballroom** with a professional ballet/ballroom master. We will continue to offer our CREATEABILITIES program and our **Non-Recital** Petite Performer, Hip-Hop, Adult Tap, Jazz and along with our ever so popular weekly dance classes. Student Appreciation Week, Friendship Week, Red/Green & Blue /White Month, Holiday Cookie Exchange and Mardi Gras Week will all be back by popular demand (see our TDC calendar for dates).

Come celebrate your **BIRTHDAY** with us! We at TDC would love to help your child celebrate their special day with a personalized dance class and activities to their favorite theme. While the 2<sup>nd</sup> studio is transposed into a fabulous party room for you to create a birthday sure to be remembered by your special dancer! Our staff cleans it all up for you too! **Birthday Parties** will be offered through out the year. See our website or check at the front desk for further details!

The TDC Company has been selected to participate in an International Dance Festival this Spring in Los Angeles, CA. They will represent the State of New Jersey. Our Performance Groups will be hosting their annual fundraiser, **"A Winter Dance Concert"** on January 10<sup>th</sup> 1pm and 4pm shows at Lake Pine Colony Clubhouse, Medford. Hope that you will come out & support TDC's teams!

Watch for our **"Parent's Night Out"** hosted by TDC, where parents drop off their children from 6:00-9:00pm for a night of dance, movies, crafts and refreshments. Watch for postings with these dates.

The **recital** theme this year is **"Step in Time"**. Our **27<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring recital** is set for **Saturday, May 22nd, 2010** at Burlington County Institute of Technology. **Dress Rehearsal** is scheduled for **Friday, May 21st** at your child's assigned class times. Please mark your calendars. **Recital Tickets** will be on sale **April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010**. Numbers & times will be assigned in the order that your child is appropriately registered for the 2009-2010 school year.

**Costumes** may be paid in installments between Sept.-Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>. Full payment for all costumes is due by November 25<sup>th</sup>. Payments must be separate from tuition and paid by cash or check only. All students will be measured for costumes the week of Nov.30<sup>th</sup>-Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>. Pictures of the costumes will be available at that time. There are **NO refunds** on costumes. NO costume will be ordered without payment in full. Costume fees for each of the classes are as follows. Please calculate you total fees for your Student(s) for payment.

\$75.00 per costume	PPI, PPII, MTV Jazz, Ballet I/II, Ballet A, Ballet/Tap combo, Jazz I/II, Modern I/II, Tap I, FBO Hip Hop
\$78.00 per costume	Musical Theater I, Tap II/III, Hip Hop 9-12, Irish Step, Jazz II/III
\$80.00 per costume	Jazz III/IV & IV/V, Modern III/IV & IV/V (Monday Modern IV/V class will have 2 costumes), Tap Int/Adv, Hip Hop 13+, Teen Jazz, Musical Theater II, Ballet III/IV, Ballet B/C, Ballet Int/Adv, & Pointe, Father/Daughter Dance-Mon.-Rehearsal

**Tuition** is due in quarterly payments; Oct 1<sup>st</sup>, Jan 1<sup>st</sup>, & April 1<sup>st</sup>. Please make note that no bills will be sent home. Late fees will occur after the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month. Please communicate with the front desk if you are experiencing difficulty with these dates. Auto credit card/bankcard options are available.

New **TDC Apparel** is available in the main office. T-shirts, hats, warm-up suits, sweatshirts and dance bags are available for sale as well as jean jackets and dancer necklaces.

Please mark the dates from the following school calendar and if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the front desk. The **revised TDC student handbook** and policies are available on line at [www.todaysdancecenter.com](http://www.todaysdancecenter.com). We ask that you and your child(ren) read it over thoroughly. This is our only way to communicate with you. PLEASE LOOK FOR & READ the handout materials in the beginning of the year and again at recital time. All our information is also posted on the message boards outside the main office and on our website at [www.todaysdancecenter.com](http://www.todaysdancecenter.com).

Thank you for your continued belief in Today's Dance Center and for the opportunity to work with your AMAZING children. Remember, Today's Dance Center is the place "Where everyone's a Star"!

Fondly,  
Kim O'Connor-Sparks (Artistic Director) & TDC Staff

#### TDC School Calendar 2009-2010

<u>September:</u>	12th	Fall Classes Begin
	26th - Oct. 1st	Friendship Week/"Bring a Friend to Class"
<u>October:</u>	3rd - 8th	Student Appreciation Week/Take a Class on Us!
	9th - 10th	Dracula – ACB & TDC at Scottish Rites Theater in Collingswood, NJ 7:30 p.m.
	17th	TDC Performance Group Fundraiser, Golf outing at Golden Pheasant \$95 (see Performance Group board for more info)
	18th	Rockette Experience at TDC, 2 Hr. class \$50 (first come, first serve basis) (See Front Desk for times and Sign up at the desk)
	31st	Happy Halloween! – classes 9-12:45 p.m.
<u>November:</u>	15th	Broadway Dance Center comes to TDC with TDC Alumni, Jennifer DiDonato, 10am-5:30pm \$100 (\$40 worth of stage makeup and application included) (Sign up at the desk)
	16th	Costume Fees Due
	26th - 29th	Thanksgiving Break CLOSED
	30th	Classes Resume – Costume Fittings begin
<u>December:</u>	December is Red & Green/Blue & White Month - Wear leotards and tights in these colors!!	
	1st - 5th	Costume Fittings Continue
	5th - 6th	Nutcracker – ACB & TDC students at Scottish Rites Theater in Collingswood, NJ Times TBA
	16th	TDC Performance Groups, Holiday Performance, Echelon Town Center, Boscov's Court 7pm
	17th - 23rd	Holiday Cookie Exchange Week
	24th - Jan. 3rd	Winter Break CLOSED Happy Holidays!
<u>January 2010</u>	4th	Welcome Back! Classes Resume, Choreography Begins this week
	10th	TDC Performance Groups, Winter Dance Concert, Lake Pine Colony Club 1:00 & 4:00pm
<u>February:</u>	13th - 18th	Mardi Gras Week, Dress Up! Wear a costume to class!
<u>March:</u>	22nd - 27th	Costume Distribution Week (Tentative)
	28th - Apr. 3rd	TDC Co./Tr. Co. at the International Dance Festival in LA, California
<u>April:</u>	2nd - 9th	Spring Break! CLOSED
	10th	Welcome Back! Classes Resume
	16th	Picture Day at TDC 4:00-8:00pm Schedule an appointment with payment at the desk
	17th	Recital Tickets will be on Sale (Scheduled times for purchase will be posted)
<u>May:</u>	20th	Last Day of Classes
	21st	Dress Rehearsal: 4-9pm
	22nd	Recital Date: Burlington County Institute of Technology, Show times TBA
<u>June:</u>	7th	Fall 2010 Registration begins by mail
	16th	Summer Hours begin - Fall 2010 Registration - In person

Summer Programs Offered: June-August, 2010

This Calendar is subject to change. We will do our best to keep you updated in a timely manner.

Thank you for choosing TDC!!!

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Number of Costumes \_\_\_\_\_ Costume Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one Check \_\_\_\_\_ or Cash \_\_\_\_\_

**Friendship Week Pass Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> – Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>** (Bring a friend to class) (Age Appropriate)

Friend's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

TDC Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

TDC Class Visited \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

\*A Free Class credit will be given to any TDC Student who's friend signs up for class.

Please complete pass and return to the teacher upon arrival. Thank You!

**Student Appreciation Week Pass October 3<sup>rd</sup> – October 8<sup>th</sup>**

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