



**Interested in taking a dance private lesson over Zoom?** Privates are great way to help you work on a skill you have been trying to master or help review choreography in your group dance that you are unsure of! [Click here to sign up for dance technique privates!](#)

**Parents: Join us at the Barre!**

Ms. Bernadette will be offering free adult ballet classes via Zoom Wednesday evenings 8:30-9:30 or Friday mornings 9 – 10 a.m.

No ballet shoes required!  
Contact Dance Central for the zoom link!

**Office Hours & Communication**

Although the studio is closed, Miss Libbie will resume office hours.

**Tuesday – Thursday 3:30-7:30**

**How to pay May tuition:**

1. Those on auto pay do not need to act.
2. Pay by check. Include in an envelope to the mailbox right outside the studio doors, or mail a check to: Dance Central, LLC, 15813 Jarvis Rd, Cypress, TX 77429.
3. [Pay online](#). When prompted, enter your email address. You will receive an email confirmation. Go to the email and click on the link. You should see your account Home page. Where you see the line that says "Balance" and your tuition amount, there is a "MAKE PAYMENT" button to the right of your balance. Click on MAKE PAYMENT and follow the directions to make your tuition payment online.

**News to Share...**

**Recital Costume Pickup – Friday, May 8 and Saturday, May 9**

We will distribute recital costumes at the studio in a "drive through" manner. Please see below for a pick-up time schedule, by last name.

- Please write your dancer's first and last name on a piece of paper and tape it to your passenger window.
- When you arrive, stop at the first orange cone by the front doors.
- We will assign you a parking space number. Please park in the designated space while we collect your costumes inside.
- DC personnel will place costumes in your trunk – please have it open.

Friday, May 8		Saturday, May 9	
9am-10am	A-C	9am-11am	A-M
10am-11am	D-F	11am-1pm	N-Z
11am-12pm	G-I	*Please try to come at your designated time. If you cannot make it during your time slot, you may pick up your costumes at another time listed on this schedule.	
12pm-1pm	J-L		
1pm-2pm	M-O		
2pm-3pm	P-R		
3pm-4pm	S-U		
4pm-5pm	V-Z		

**Reminders for dancers in our live Zoom classes and private lessons:**

- Please have the proper dance attire on before your class so you are ready to dance when class begins.
- Pull hair back out of face / no "dangly" jewelry that will get in the way or cause a safety issue.

**Zoom Dress Rehearsals the week of May 11<sup>th</sup>**

Dress rehearsals will occur on zoom during your regularly scheduled classes. Those who already had dress rehearsals at the studio will not have another rehearsal. **Arrive on time in your zoom class in full costume.** Tights for rehearsal are not necessary, but you do need to confirm that your child has the tights and they are the correct size. We will email all parents a form for dress rehearsal notes. During the dress rehearsal, teachers will also take notes, and we will email them after the rehearsal is over.

**Theme Weeks!**

Show up to class wearing something fun!

Week of April 27th: Dress up like your Pet or favorite animal!

Week of May 4th: Vintage Days: Wear an old recital costume

Week of May 18th: Oh the Place You Will Go: Dress up like a tourist, or how you would dress if you were visiting your favorite place!

Week of May 25th: Trolls World Tour: Dress in your favorite genre of music!

Please remember we will still be dancing! Make sure you can still move! Make sure teachers can see your body movement even with your costume on.

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## Recital 2020 Didn't "Turn Out" Like We Planned, But...

We are committed to providing our students and families a memorable experience showcasing their hard work, dedication to the study of dance during unprecedented times, and a finished product of Season 17!

I was hoping I would receive a better timeline from Governor Abbott on Monday. Unfortunately, he did not mention when large groups will be able to congregate. Furthermore, renting Cypress Ranch High School, as we normally do for our recital, on an appropriate date, is not an option at this time.



So instead of a live performance in a theatre, we are going to host a "Virtual Recital!"

**Rehearsal/Performance:** We will hold a rehearsal and a performance back-to-back at the studio for each dance your child is in. A schedule will be sent out soon, but all the dances will be rehearsed and videotaped the first two weeks of June. We will allow only one group to come into the studio at a time. We will be recording the dances, with dancers in full make-up and costumes, and will compile them for a full recital DVD. Also, the entire process will be live-streamed! So, families near and far can watch their dancer perform from the comfort of their living room!

**Recital Package:** We will not be charging tuition for the month of June. As part of your recital package, each dancer participating in our 2020 Recital will receive a DVD for the show(s) they participate in, and a recital t-shirt. I have attached the google form, so you can indicate what size shirt you would like to receive for your dancer(s). Additional t-shirts can be purchased for \$12.00. [Click here to reserve your dancer's recital shirt!](#)

**5 & 10-Year Dancers & Seniors:** The recital DVD will also recognize our graduating seniors, and students that have danced with us for 5 or 10 consecutive years. (If your child has danced with us for 5 years and has not given us their shoe, please bring it to the costume distribution days.) We also plan to showcase our grand finale in a fun and safe way!

**Preview Parties:** An important part of our recitals and our studio mission is community. Therefore, we will be hosting a recital "Preview" Party for each of our recitals! We plan to showcase this video with an audience, so that dancers, friends and families can enjoy the hard work you have done all year. This will take place later this summer, when social distancing laws have relaxed. We will keep you informed as we find out more.

My number one priority is keeping our DC students, families, and staff safe. After weighing all the options, I feel like this is the best opportunity for our students to showcase their hard work with a timeline that works for our students. I understand that nothing can ever replace the excitement of a live audience, but we hope this will become a positive memory for our students during these trying times! Please reach out to the studio if you have any questions.

**[Watch this video to see the DC teachers talk about the recital this year!](#)**

*You can also view this on our Facebook page, Dance Central, LLC.*



Recital Phone Call