Welcome back!!

It’s time to pack the practice bags again and gear up for another great year at Rising Stars! Our dedicated staff has spent the summer working on new lesson plans to implement in our classes and we are all very excited to be back! Please take a minute to read over this newsletter carefully and remember that communication is a critical component for your child’s success at Rising Stars. The web-site calendar will keep you informed of important information and upcoming dates so please check it regularly.

Dress Code

Please remember that all students must follow the established dress code for his or her classes. A dress code creates a sense of discipline in the classroom and equality among the students. Putting every hair in place and looking the part gives a student the freedom to move and the teacher the ability to make the necessary technical correction to build an athlete. Please view our complete dress code on our website as it will be strictly enforced beginning October 1st. All unprepared students will be asked to check the borrow bin and or sit out of class.

Costume Deposits

Per your sign up contract, a non-refundable costume deposit of $32.50 per dance costume was billed on October 1st. The final $32.50 balance per costume will be billed on February 1st. We strongly encourage parents to take advantage of our fall/spring fundraisers to help defray this cost.

Holiday Closing

Please keep in mind that Rising Stars is open on all Monday holiday’s except Memorial Day. We want to ensure that our Monday classes receive the same amount of classes as everyone else. With the holiday season quickly approaching, it is important that you know and understand our attendance policy which can be found on our web-site. You are paying for 34 weeks of classes held over 9 months (September – May). You will notice there are only 3 full weeks of classes in December and this has been accounted for within the 34 weeks of classes, therefore your tuition is not discounted for that month. In case of inclement weather, please check the web-site, Facebook or call after 3pm. Make up classes will be scheduled for those days. If you have any questions please check the web-site calendar first and then contact the director.

Reminders

* You can view and pay on your account with a credit card online though our Customer Self-Service Center.
* Please remember that tuition is due on the first class of each month. Late fees are billed to accounts with a balance on the 15th of the month. This means that your account must be paid off by midnight on the 14th. If your account has a balance on the last day of the month, your child will have to sit out of class until your account is paid.
* Please do not leave your children at the studio between classes unless previously discussed with a staff member. The staff is only responsible for the student during their class time.
* At Rising Stars, we strive to be more than an athletic training facility. We are a personal development center. We believe that character development truly is the Key to Success! Please let us know if your child is demonstrating our monthly character traits in or out of the studio so that we may acknowledge their accomplishments.
* Please keep in mind that statements are billed automatically each month so be sure to carefully review each one. We will be happy to make any corrections needed but it is the parent’s responsibility to keep us updated on class changes, class withdrawals, etc.
* All questions, comments and concerns should be e-mailed or left at front desk, please do not interrupt class time. Teachers may not answer questions concerning billings, class placement, and private availability or any other matters that do not pertain to your child’s activity in their class.

Thank You Parents

As always, we truly appreciate your time and dedication to your child and to Rising Stars. We understand what it takes to get your child to class on time each week while trying to balance your hectic schedules. We are all very excited to be back and we can’t wait to see what the new season has in store for us!

Sincerely,
Rising Stars Staff

At a Glance Dates

9/25-29 – Bring a Friend Week (see email for details)
9/29 – OPTIONAL fall fundraiser due
10/1 – Dance Costume Deposit Due - $32.50 each dance costume (NO REFUNDS)
10/9 – Studio is open on Columbus Day
10/22 – RSDC Dance Convention AC
10/23-10-27 – Students may wear NON-RESTRICTIVE costumes to class (see email for details)
11/1- Cheerleading Competition Fees Due
11/3- Final Day to order custom warm up (see email for details)
11/22-11/24 – CLOSED- Thanksgiving
11/25 – Millville Christmas Parade
All Rising Stars members invited to participate. Hot Cocoa and Cookies at studio before parade (see email for details)
12/4-12/15 - Don't forget to send a Holiday Candy Gram to your Rising Star! (distributed in classes 12/18-12/22)
12/18-12/22 – Pajama Week (see email for details)
12/25- 1/5- CLOSED - Winter Break
1/8 - Classes Resume

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