



## Welcome to Creative DanceMakers, 2023-2024

*Students will receive training in dance techniques to develop physical awareness, flexibility, strength, coordination, and body control. The basics of rhythm, problem-solving, creating innovative compositions and energy qualities will be explored through movement to help each dancer develop confidence and self worth in their individual creativity.*

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- The 2023-24 dance season will begin **September 11<sup>th</sup>**, and will run through May 2024. We will have a **Spring Recital in May** for the students to showcase their abilities. The date for this *recital will be announced as soon as possible*.

- We will have two Parent Observation days: The first week of class (**Sept 11-15**) and the last class of December (**Dec 12-18**). This will allow you to come and see how your child is doing and see what we are working on. We would ask that on observation days parents leave younger children that might disrupt the class in the care of others. We feel that adhering to these guidelines will optimize the experience for all. Other than that, we ask that you plan to drop your dancer off. Parking is shared with other businesses and we cannot "fill" all of the spots while you wait for your child in class.

- Children should be dropped off no earlier than *5 minutes before class* and picked up no later than *5 minutes after class ends*. Dancers arriving before their class has begun should not disrupt the previous class. The faculty can not be responsible for attending to children before and after class has finished.

- **Consistent class attendance is expected.** Dancers are more confident and successful when they have minimal absences. Please communicate with your child's teacher when they will be absent.

- **Hair and Dress Code:** Dancers should wear appropriate dance clothing (leotard or bodysuit, t-shirt (not too baggy) and leggings. All students enrolled should plan on dancing barefoot. We would also ask that children wear appropriate outer clothing and footwear to and from class and rehearsal. Hair should be securely pulled back off the face.

- There will be a DANCEMAKERS concert in **March 2023**. This will be an opportunity for dancers to showcase their own choreography. More info will be coming.

***Dancers will be expected to be at all rehearsals and performances at the end of year concert.***