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I want to congratulate and thank everyone for a job well done on this year's production! All of you did AMAZING. Thank you to all of those who worked behind the scenes to keep things running smoothly. Thank you for all your kind words, cards and gifts!

Whether you are a returning student from last year, coming to us from another studio, or are just starting dance this year, we welcome you to our family! We are very excited about the coming year and Miss Sheri, Miss Nikki and I will be heading to a teachers conference in August to bring back fresh and exciting ideas. Miss Kyla will be returning to help us this year and we have a new teacher to welcome too Miss Karissa, who will be teaching the Hip Hop classes.

Please keep in mind that dance classes are not like classes in school (it is not all based on age). I have restructured the ballet classes this year, the ballet classes range from Ballet 1 thru Ballet VII. It is my plan to have all of our students at a comfortable, yet challenging level as quickly as possible so that we can start focusing on a brand new year! Students may have to move to a different class during that time so that they are placed in the appropriate class. Also keep in mind that some classes may have to be combined due to a small number of students enrolled. I am asking for your patience as we try to balance the class size, students' interests, ability, and availability of teachers. If you have any questions or concerns throughout this process, or about payments please feel free to contact my office staff at [thedanceacademyoffice@yahoo.com](mailto:thedanceacademyoffice@yahoo.com). You may also leave a voicemail and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

As you will see the only thing that is attached to this welcome letter is the schedule with your child's classes highlighted and the unlimited class open house special if your child is eligible for more than 4/5 classes. All other forms can be down loaded from the website or you can register on line. We will also have them available at open house if you need to fill them out there. Open house is set for 6:00pm to 8:30pm on Friday, August 6<sup>th</sup>. We will need to receive your check on or before August 6<sup>th</sup> in order for you to take advantage of the unlimited class open house special.

This year we will also be doing all weather related, newsletter, costume, and production information by email. So please feel free to give us any & all email addresses (work, home, etc.) so that you will get the information anytime it is sent. If you do not have a computer or access to the web and need these items put in your box at the studio please let us know. We will still be using the mail boxes for fund raising information or other handouts that cannot be emailed. The website will be our first and main mode of communication this year.

I would like to take this opportunity to let you know we do have a box by the "penguin" wall that has shoes students have outgrown. If you are in between sizes and would like to check it for a pair of shoes until you can buy new ones, please do. I just ask that if they are still in good shape when you are done with them you put them back in the box. And if you have some to donate – Thank you.

Thank you for letting me be a part of your lives and the lives of OUR Dancers, and always remember:

**I AM SMART, I AM STRONG, AND I LOVE TO DANCE!!!!**

*Ms. Lisamarie Marks ☺*