The annual recital is a very important day in your dancer’s life. It is exciting and nerve-wrecking all at the same time. Please encourage them to practice as much as possible. Attendance is very important as every class works as a team to present a clean, uniform routine. The more at ease they are with their routines, the more they will enjoy this amazing experience.

Most classes have been sent practice materials electronically. If you have a particular step or section you just can’t get, let your teacher know and we will video a breakdown and send it out as well.

The recitals will be held on Saturday, June 13 at Lake Park High School West Campus (500 W. Bryn Mawr Ave, Roselle). There are 2 shows - 1:00 and 5:00. Although this year’s interactive show is designed to be fully appreciated by attending both show times, you may opt to attend just one.

Please read the entire newsletter as it contains important information on all aspects of the recital.

As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at (630) 893-1444 or through our website at MohlerDance.net.
Costumes

Most costumes have arrived and are being assembled for students. Each costume will be sent home with applicable tights and accessories. Please double check everything upon receipt. Costumes are to be picked up by a parent and won’t be released until they are paid in full and tuition accounts are current.

Ballet costumes with tutus need to be fluffed out and hung up right away. Do not wait until rehearsal day to make any alterations.

Keep your costumes in a safe place. Take inventory for each costume as you leave for Pictures, Dress Rehearsal and Recital.

No underwear should be worn with tights/costumes. To aid in backstage costume changes, students are encouraged to wear a nude camisole leotard (with clear straps) under their costume. These are to be worn exactly like bathing suits. Dancers can then put tights OVER the leotard as necessary for quick changing. We have some for sale for $17.

There will be a costume book at the front desk with all hair and accessory details/notes from teachers regarding costumes.

Tickets

Online sales begin Saturday, May 16 at noon

Tickets are sold online at www.Mohler10th.BrownPaperTickets.com! You can also find our event by searching our studio name, show title or venue. This online system allows you to pick your own seats and either print your tickets at home or have them mailed to you. Please note, seats marked WC are not seats - they are open spaces for wheelchairs. Select “choose my own seats” or else it picks best available for you - in which case, you must uncheck the seats and select the ones you want. Stage is the black bar at the top of the chart.

Tickets are $15. There is a service fee (this is how online companies provide the service). If you do not want to purchase the tickets online, you may buy them at the door - we will not be selling tickets through the studio. Each ticket represents a seat (small children sitting on a lap do not need a ticket). Tickets are non-refundable.

Pictures (Individual Portraits - Tuesday, June 9)

Individual portraits will be taken at the studio on Tuesday, June 9. This is an a la carte option. The cost is $12/costume. Please see the front desk if you would like to add this option. Hair and makeup for portraits may be as desired.

Please have your dancer know his/her individual pose beforehand. Ask your teacher for ideas before picture day.

Group photos will be taken on the stage at dress rehearsals. This cd will also contain all the action shots our photographer takes of the dance during rehearsal. If you ordered a recital package, you will automatically get this cd! If you did not order a package and want this option, please order at the front desk.

All pictures are given to you on a cd for you to print at home.
**Dress Rehearsals** *(Thursday, June 11 & Friday, June 12)*

We conduct **CLOSED** dress rehearsals. That means no one, other than volunteers, is allowed beyond the sign-in table. This is imperative to allow for a seamless production preparation. This means you **drop off** your dancer.

Thursday, June 11 is rehearsal for the 1:00pm show and Friday, June 12 is rehearsal for the 5:00 show. Please refer to the show assignment listing for your appropriate class assignments.

Dancers arrive to the auditorium (Lake Park West, 500 W Bryn Mawr, Roselle) in their first costume. They must be signed in and dropped off at the security table. Please make sure they have all costumes, shoes, tights and accessories.

When dancers are not cued to go on stage, they will be allowed to watch other dances from the audience. Dancers in both recitals have to attend both Thursday AND Friday dress rehearsals.

At pick-up time, parents will wait in the lobby for dancers to be escorted back to the security table for sign out. We try our best to stay on schedule, so please be patient.

Call time is 4:30 pm on both days for dancers. Pick-up time will be 8:00 pm (younger dancers may have an earlier pick-up time). Company members may need to stay later.

**Recital Day** *(Saturday, June 13 at 1:00pm & 5:00pm)*

Call time for dancers at the auditorium will be 12:00pm for Show 1 and 4:00pm for Show 2.

Dancers should arrive in their first costume with **hair and make-up already done**. Stage lights wash out all faces - eye makeup should be dark brown, cheeks and lips should be well defined.

Doors to the auditorium will open at 12:30 & 4:30 so that audience members may find their seats. Remember, all seating is reserved. Any available tickets will be sold at the door.

The shows last approximately 2hrs. After the show, please send only 1 family member to dancer pick-up. Room moms will need a little time to assemble all belongings before escorting your dancer to the table.

Please note - if you feel your dancer is old enough to check themselves in/out (so you don’t have to wait in line), email us before June 6.

For dancers performing in both shows, costumes may be left in the dressing room (and your call time will be 4:30 for Show 2).

The shows will be professionally videotaped for you to purchase. If you ordered a recital package, you automatically get a T-shirt & video!

**Recital T-Shirts ($20)** A limited supply of special anniversary edition t-shirts will be available for purchase. If you ordered a recital package, you automatically get one!
Cecchetti News

Ms. Elizabeth heads up our Cecchetti program. This is a specific study of ballet that takes students through a graded curriculum then test in front of a Cecchetti council board. This spring, the following students successfully passed and earned their accreditation in:

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Save the Date (Saturday, June 6)

“Last-Chance” Student Lock-In Our annual end-of-year student lock-in is a fun time for the kids! An evening of food, games, movies and more! The kids love watching the other dances before the recital. Friends and family are also welcome to come!

6:30-10:30pm  $20/person

Parent Bowling Night” We are hosting a parent night out at the same time as the lock in this year for adults only! Join us for bowling, beverages and pizza - a great time to socialize! This event is also open to family and friends, so call the gang out to have a blast without the kids. Friendly tournament with prizes! Proceeds will go to benefit our M3 Dance Companies.

7:00-10:00pm  $40/person (includes unlimited bowl, shoe rental, pizza and ....beverage!)

Bowling AND Lock-In = $50

Reminders

Food and Drink Please don’t bring in any drinks other than plain water. With the warm weather, the ants are starting to come out and anything with sugar attracts them into the facility. Throw away all of your trash before leaving. Also, help us promote healthy eating!! No caffeinated drinks or junk food. This will help us train healthier dancers.

Dress/Conduct Code Students need to adhere to the dress/conduct code outlined in the student/parent handbook. Dancers may be excused from class if they are not properly dressed. Let the front desk know if you need another copy sent to you.

Social Media Don’t forget to follow us on FaceBook - A LOT of information and fun stuff is posted there!

2015-2016 School Year The new school year schedule will be available by recital. Ballet evaluations and placements are currently being finalized and will be sent out with the schedule. Please let us know if you would like to schedule a meeting with any of your teachers regarding classes.

Recital Volunteers There is a mandatory volunteer meeting Friday, May 15 from 7:00-8:00pm
This has already been an exciting year for M3 Dance, the not-for-profit dance company housed at Mohler Dance Academy. Its primary purpose is to provide dance performance experience to serious students. M3 Dance gives dancers the opportunity to work with professional choreographers to set pieces to be performed in concert level environments as well as community outreach venues. M3 Dance’s goal is to help develop the all-around, employable dancer. Students are challenged in all areas of dance. M3 Dance currently has 3 companies:

**Junior Company**
- Payton Belohlavek
- Alaina Brant
- Camila Dominski
- Angela Giustino
- Mia Mangone
- Isabella Popp
- Bianca Simon

**Apprentice Company**
- Chloe Berkich
- Ava Bernardi
- Miabella DiGrazia
- Izabelle Dominski
- Mia Ibarra
- Angela Menchaca
- Haley Mosley
- Dali Paladino
- Miranda Ramirez
- Giuliana Vasilevich

**Senior Company**
- Cassidy Henshaw
- Briana Kunstman
- Lora Kusaku
- Alexa Marshall
- Morgan Mohler
- Allison Narlock
- Katelynn Rojas
- Elizabeh Spyrtos

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**M3 Dance Spring Concert 2015**

In March, M3 Dance held its second annual spring concert at the Schaumburg Prairie Arts Center. This concert featured the works of guest choreographers and performers, including MADD Rhythms Tap Company. A portion of the proceeds benefited Marklund Center for Children.

M3 Dance Companies are available to perform free of charge for any event. Past functions and current bookings for weddings, senior centers, professional concerts, fashion shows and more. To book the company for your next event, please contact the studio!
Year in Review...

DanceFest 2014  DanceFest is a family-friendly afternoon full of games, face painting and performances by Mohler Dance students and faculty! The whole event is geared for the friends and family of Mohler Dance Academy. We had many local exhibitors and a huge raffle that benefited our performing companies. Everyone had a blast!!

Holiday Lock-In

Conventions
Summer Happenings...

Mohler Summer Intensive (June 15-26)

We have a Super-Star Lineup for this year’s Summer Intensive. This is an EXCELLENT opportunity afforded to our serious students age 8yr+. Summer is an important time to enhance the training of dancers as tremendous progress can be made. This program is designed to develop the all-around dancer by offering concentrated clas-

Summer Classes & Camps

This year we are offering weekly classes and camps - so there is definitely something to fit everyone’s summer schedule! Ballet students are strongly encouraged to take ballet classes over the summer. This is the perfect time to try something new before the new year! **Summer classes serve as great recital gifts**

Aerial Dance Seminar (July 21)

Mohler Dance is partnering with the infamous C5 - Create With No Limits Aerial Dance Company to bring aerial dance to the suburbs. We are offering a 1-day seminar this summer to launch the start of an innovative new program. Be sure to reserve your spot as space is limited! 
Here is a look at C5... http://www.createwithnolimits.com/videos.htm

Scholarships

Our dancers are encouraged to attend dance conventions throughout the year. This not only gives them more exposure to the dance industry, but they are also given the opportunity to be recognized by industry teachers and choreographers. As a result, some have been chosen for scholarships!