OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Can you believe it? We're heading into our second month of dance!

Thank you all for your co-operation as we settle in for the year. We are so grateful to have you all as part of our dance family!

If you haven't paid your costume deposit yet, remember the due date is October 15th.

Please be advised that when we are placing the orders we will only be ordering costumes for the students that have paid their costume deposit. If you wish to order a costume for a solo please contact the office now.

Don't hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns you may have. Our office is open Tuesday-Thursday from 3-6:30pm and Saturdays from 9:00am-12pm.



We are working on some exciting clothing options to order that will be ready before Christmas! Keep following us on social media and more information will be e-mailed out soon.

UPCOMING DATES

October 2 - 8 week session classes begin

October 5 - The Collective Intensive

October 13 - Classes as usual

October 15 – Costume deposit deadline

October 19 - Bottle Drive

October 22 - Solo costume order deadline

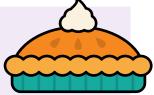
October 31 - No classes

November 11 - Classes as usual

November 17-22 - Watching Week



We will be OPEN Thanksgiving, Monday October 13



HALLOWEEK

Wear your costume (you MUST be able to dance in it) or show your spirit with old dance costumes, Halloween hair, socks, etc. Get creative! Stop by the office for a photo and Trick or Treat. Starts Friday, October 24



This year we may be taking photos during classes, performances, and other events to be used for our social media If you do not wish to have your child photographed please advise the office.





COWICHAN MUSIC FESTIVAL & COMPETITIONS

Remember: Festival Rehearsal & Photos on February 8

Classes that are participating in festival and/or competitions will be notified in the next month. There will be entry fees due by the end of November. Students with solos, duos, and trios must contact the office by Oct 7 regarding registration for festival and competitions so we can confirm your place and sort out fees, which can be paid with November tuition.

Cowichan Music Festival (Cowichan Performing Arts Centre, Feb 17-22)

Fees are approximately **\$30** for a solo, duos/trios are **\$40** per dancer, and the group rate is divided by the amount of people in the class (typically less than **\$10** each)

Synergy (Port Theatre Nanaimo, Feb 26-Mar 1, team and crews only)

Synergy competition will be open to our Team & Crew students first, we will let everyone know if any spaces become available.

Solo = \$130 Duo/Trio = \$85 each Group = \$70 each

*includes photos and videos *dancers at this event may be invited to GDS Provincials in May

Summit Dance Challenge (Cowichan Peforming Arts Centre, April 8-12)

For Summit there is a limit and we will be going first come first serve. Those that did let us know before September 1st will have first dibs on spaces. We ask families to confirm if they already emailed us and if you haven't yet you can still put your name on the list.

Solo = \$150 Duo/Trio = \$88 each Group = \$70 each

*limited spaces reserved, first come first serve basis

Phoenix Competition(Port Theatre Nanaimo, April 16-19)

Solo = \$145 Duo/Trio = \$90 Group = \$75

*includes photos and videos *no limit on how many entries

Please note we do all we can to offer opportunities to all our students but still keep things affordable and avoid burn out for our busy students and dance families.

A few studio policies...

Attendance and punctuality are extremely important as classes are progressive and geared to year-end performances, exams and/or competitions. Late or absent students hold the entire class back as lost lessons must be repeated. The focus of our classes is learning, not repeating. Therefore, repeat absences may result in a student being asked to understudy. Please contact the studio if your child will be missing class.

Arriving on time and being prepared for class is as important as attendance. Parents should allow enough time for their child to dress correctly and enter into a state of mind that is conductive to learning. **Arriving 15 minutes prior to class** is recommended to review the previous lesson and catch up with friends before entering the studio. If a class must be entered late, please wait and enter between songs and offer an apology to the teacher and class.

No outdoor shoes are to be worn in the studio.

Only water allowed in class. Food, gum and other drinks must be left in the waiting room.

All important information and studio policies can be found in our Student Handbook on our website carlsons.ca

LATE FEES

As per our policies in the handbook, we will be charging 5% each week payments are past due, as it is a lot of extra admin work to track everyone down.

Thank you



We will be attending The Collective Dance Intensive on OCTOBER 5. There is still time to sign up as an individual on their website:

www.thecollectivedanceco.com

Nationals in Niagara

All students of Carlson's School of Dance have been invited to join us on an amazing trip to Niagara in July 2026! Summit Nationals includes convention classes, competition opportunities, and many fun events. The deadline has passed but we can add a few more dancers. All information has been sent in a previous e-mail, but let us know if you need it again.

Fundraisers

BOTTLE DRIVE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

PLEASE SAVE YOUR RETURNS FOR US!

Krispy Kreme Doughnuts PRE-ORDER STARTS OCT 22



Students should be collecting orders from friends and family to send in all together. See order form on the next page. Please send your orders and funds to carlsonspac@gmail.com by October 22. Pick up will be at 2745

Herd Rd on November 3

SOUPSale

Stock up on yummy soup mixes from Mitchell's Soup Co. and help our PAC raise funds for future educational trips and studio fun!

Order deadline is October 15.

Find the link on social media or in the e-mail sent home.

CARLSON'S SCHOOL OF DANCE

PURCHASER NAME:

FUNDRAISER DATE: TBD

PICK-UP: TBD

TO ORDER: CONTACT YOUR TEAM REPRESENTATIVE

PAYMENT: MADE DIRECTLY TO YOUR TEAM REPRESENTATIVE

ITEM DESCRIPTION	cost	QTY	TOTAL
170g Striploin Steak 24pc/CS	\$ 149.00		\$
6oz Lil Chef Beef Burgers 30/CS	\$ 74.00		\$
Meatballs 1/2oz 320/CS	\$ 70.00		\$
6" Pepperoni Pizza 18/CS	\$ 45.00		\$
Breaded Chicken Strips 2x2KG	\$ 60.00		\$
Boneless Pork Bites 4kg	\$ 63.00		\$
Fully Cooked chicken Wings 5KG IQF G/F	\$ 85.00		\$
Bacon Wrapped Scallops 1KG	\$ 40.00		\$
26/30 White Prawns P&D 2LB	\$ 33.00		\$
Chicken Breast B/S 4KG	\$ 63.00		\$
Chicken Cordon Bleu 25 x 3.5oz	\$ 60.00		\$
Chicken Thigh Souvlaki 60x75G/CS	\$ 110.00		\$
	TOTALS		

