



## THE TUTU NEWS!

*What's Happening in Class and Important News for  
Tiny Tutus Dance Center*

### *The November Issue*

A special WELCOME to our new students!

We are "tutu" thrilled to have you with us!

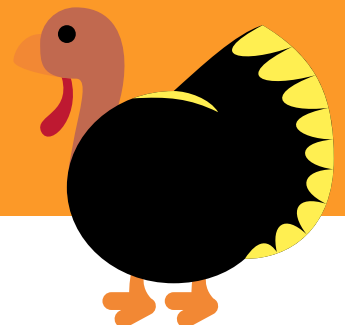
We would like to take the time to thank our friends and family for visiting us in class for Wear Your Costume to Class Week! We all had a wonderful time and hope you did as well!

We are quickly approaching the holidays- an exciting (and sometimes hectic) time of year! For us in the dance world- this means recital preparation! In the upcoming months, a plethora of information will be sent home regarding the year end dance recital- including Recital Newsletter 2019 that was emailed a few weeks ago, and can be accessed on the website or in the Parent Portal. We do not do this to overwhelm you, but to keep you informed so you may plan ahead, reduce confusion and most importantly, put on the best show possible! With that being said, we are here for you to answer any questions you may have.

Please take a few minutes to read through the Newsletter as it will keep you connected and up-to-date!

Communication is important to us, so if you have any questions regarding your child, please don't hesitate to contact us. We love getting feedback on our program, so drop us an email and let us know how we are doing.

Sincerely,  
The Staff at Tiny Tutus Dance Center



# notes & reminders

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- 2ND QUARTERLY PAYMENT & COSTUME FEE ARE DUE NOVEMBER 15TH! You can pay in person or online. To access your online account follow the steps for "Parent Portal" listed below.
- RECITAL PERMISSION SLIPS ARE DUE NOVEMBER 15TH-You can email or hand in to front desk!
- COSTUME MEASUREMENT WEEK! November 13th-19th. The staff will be measuring each student for their RECITAL COSTUME during class. Please make sure your dancer is dressed in proper attire (leotard and tights) so we may record the proper measurement.
- HAPPY THANKSGIVING! TINY TUTUS WILL BE CLOSED 11/22-11/25
- 12/10-12/15 Tutu's Winter Celebration Week (Family observation of full class)
- Parking. PLEASE READ- Tiny Tutus parking lot is located directly behind the building. If the lot is full, there is parking on Union Street and in the 400 N. Church Street lot along the fence we share. Please DO NOT PARK in the Mill Street Tires lot or in the 400 N. Church Street and gravel lots. The owner will tow.
- Parent Portal- ALL registered students have accounts and log-in information. To access your account, follow the steps below to view and make payments, schedule makeup classes and more.

- Go to [www.tinytutusdancecenter.com](http://www.tinytutusdancecenter.com)
- Click on Log-in/Register tab
- Click on Register/Log-in
- Type in username (email)
- Type in password

Can't remember log-in info? Contact the office and we will resend your Parent Portal link to reset your password.



## 8 WEEK COURSES

*Session 2 Courses begin the  
week of 11/5-11/10!*

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Session 2: 8 Week Courses  
are either 6 or 7 Weeks due  
to Thanksgiving and the  
holidays:  
11/5/18-12/22/18.

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For a Full List of  
Session 2 Courses  
& to Register  
visit  
[www.tinytutusdancecenter.com](http://www.tinytutusdancecenter.com)

## Session 3: 8 Week Courses

**ARE NOW OPEN FOR  
REGISTRATION!**



Next Issue!

12/10-12/15 Tutu's Winter Celebration Week  
(Family observation of full class)

12/17-12/22 Session 2 Ends

12/24-1/1 Closed for Winter Break/No Traveling Classes



# WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CLASS?

## *-Tutu Level-*

### *Tutu Ballet/Tap/Tumble 1 & 2*

#### Tutu Ballet 1:

Our theme this month is Animals. The students are having fun pretending to be mice, bunnies, cats and poodles to name a few. The class favorite has to be "Little Mousies". This exercise practices the concept of slow, fast, soft and loud while practicing on steps such as prancing, bouree turns and curtsies. We are also using rhythm sticks this month to further strengthen the concepts of slow, fast, soft and loud. Our circle song "Dancing Poodles" works not only port de bras (arm movements) but rhythms too.

#### Tutu Tumble 1:

This month we start class with a fun, nautical themed warm-up to Octopus's Garden. Skills worked on across the floor include bear walks and log rolls. In their stations, they practice pre-cartwheels, forward rolls on the wedge mat and some coordination skills such as jumping on one foot and crab walks in and out of cones.

#### Tutu Tap 1:

In tap this month, we warm-up with marches, toe taps, bunks and shuffle step jump claps. We practice hopping on one foot across the floor to the popular "Here Comes the Lion Guard"! We end class with a festive combination to "If You Are Thankful and You Know It".

#### Tutu Ballet 2:

Our classes continue to work on their ballet steps and terms. We take the basic steps learned in our fun exercises such as "Little Mousies" and "Funny Little Bunny" and now are working on how to correctly execute the steps. The students are also working on arm position, passes (turned in and out), pas de chats and glissades.

#### Tutu Tumble 2:

This month we start class with a fun, nautical themed warm-up to Octopus's Garden. Skills worked on across the floor include forward rolls, crab walks, bear walks, log rolls, cartwheels & leaps! In their stations, they practice backward rolls on the wedge mat ahead touches, baby bridges and candle holds against the wall.

#### Tutu Tap 2:

In tap this month, we warm-up with marches, heel toe, heel step, shuffle step shuffle hop, heel cramp and jump claps with a quarter turn. We practice hopping on one foot across the floor to the popular "Here Comes the Lion Guard" as well as brush steps to prepare our dancers for flaps. We end class with a festive combination to "Turkey Dance Freeze".

# WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CLASS?

## *-Starlet Level-*

### *Starlet Ballet/Tap/Jazz/Hip-hop/Tumble 1 & 2*

#### Starlet Ballet 1:

We continue to work on basics at the barre. Working on all 5 positions of the feet, coupes, passes and battements. Dancers stretch their feet and bodies in the center before working across the floor. Across the room we are working on "spotting", glissades and chasse saute. Dancers enjoy a whimsical Reverence with ribbon sticks to "Swirl & Twirl".

#### Starlet Tap 1:

This month, we warm up with an exciting exercise to "Boots Are Made For Walking" where tappers work on heel drops, spanks, shuffles, toe drops and cramp rolls! Across the floor dancers work on brush toe (slap) and flap down ball change. Class ends with fun center combinations that help work on waiting their turn, timing & listening to music while working on toe tips front and back and shuffle steps.

#### Starlet Jazz 1:

This month we are warming up to "Starships". We are focused on isolations while working on jazz basics such as kick ball change, pivots, grapevines, chasse back step and 3 step turn. Across the floor we work on step ball changes and grand jetes (leaps). Students enjoy the challenge of perfecting those big leaps by jumping over stars!

#### Starlet Ballet 2:

We continue to work on basics at the barre. Working on all 5 positions of the feet, coupes, passes and battements. Dancers stretch their feet and bodies in the center before working across the floor. Across the room we are working on "spotting", glissades and chasse saute. Dancers enjoy a whimsical Reverence with ribbon sticks to "Swirl & Twirl".

#### Starlet Tap 2:

Our Level 2 tappers begin their class with a warm up to "Sea Cruise". This month students will pretend to be caterpillars that turn to butterflies while working on cramp rolls across polyspots! Dancers will add a flap down ball change between cramp rolls by the end of the month. Shuffle hop bunks and shuffle hops are practiced in the center with a fun game of hop scotch!

#### Starlet Jazz 2:

Level 2 dancers start out with a fun warm-up to "Mi Gente" practicing . lunges, kick ball change, 3 step turns, jazz squares, pas de bourree and chasse back step are all skills practiced this month. Across the room dancers work on battements and step ball change. Across the floor we work on step ball changes and grand jetes (leaps). Students enjoy the challenge of perfecting those big leaps by jumping over stars!

#### Starlet Hip-hop:

In hip-hop, our dancers are working on a combo to "Tappin' Turkeys". This is a fun way to perfect our top rocks, a basic hip-hop step. Across the room they are working on push scoots and in center exercises we are working on controlling our bodies with isolations such as body rolls, snakes, rib and hip circles.

#### Starlet Tumble:

Students jump into a new and fun warm-up called the "Conditioning Bus", honing in on strengthening and conditioning skills. Students have been working on strengthening their arms for cartwheels by doing partnering activities such as wheel barrows. Not only are they excelling but are having a great time! In our stations we are working on balance with teddy bear stands, headstands and V-sits. We also focus on bridges and various leg stretches.