Hi Everyone,

<u>Two more weeks</u> of regular classes until Dress/Tech Rehearsal on May 13, then <u>one week</u> of special rehearsals until the showcase on May 19. Please ensure your kiddos are in attendance so they feel fully prepared for their performance(s).

If you have not done so already, please be sure to look over our <u>Showcase Prep & Procedures Guide</u> to ensure your child(ren) can successfully complete this season of PAW's Youth Performance Program. It's never fun for anyone to rush preparations during the week of the event and we only wish for this to be a positive experience for all. Kindly pay special attention to the schedules provided in the guide so you know where to be-- and when-- on May 13 and 19.

Ticketing Update: We made alternate ticketing arrangements with an online service we have trusted over the years, in the best interest of our studio families; and will try to use the NJCU box office next year if their service is readily available. The original communication containing general showcase information can be found here.

SALES WILL OPEN THIS **FRIDAY, APRIL 28 AT 7:30PM** TO ENSURE WORKING PARENTS/GUARDIANS NEED NOT INTERRUPT THEIR WORK DAY TO PURCHASE TICKETS TO OUR SHOW; AND WILL CLOSE ONCE THE SHOW BEGINS ON MAY 19. ALL SEATING IS ASSIGNED; CHILDREN AGE 3+ REQUIRE A TICKET; PERFORMERS <u>DO NOT</u> NEED TICKETS AND WILL BE BACKSTAGE FOR THE ENTIRETY OF THE SHOW.

At the time of sales opening (noted above), please copy and paste the link to make your purchase, and feel free to share with friends and family who wish to attend: https://www.danceticketing.com/27843/Please note that once sales begin, <u>all</u> ticket purchase questions/customer service should be directed to DanceRecitalTicketing.com (contact provided on your receipt at the time of purchase). We have contracted their services for all things related to ticketing, and cannot facilitate purchases nor make any special arrangements on behalf of our studio families.

We are <u>not</u> selling ROW A (completely reserved for our team's use during the show and not the best view for spectators anyway) nor any seats which need repair. If the chart looks a little funky at 7:30p on Friday, be assured it is <u>not</u> because anyone had a chance to purchase tickets before sales officially open.

Please also be aware that in the weeks leading up to the rehearsal and showcase, <u>teachers will not be</u> <u>able to answer logistical questions about the events</u>, including costume and portrait procedures or the timing of each day for individual students. We kindly ask that our PAW Fam allows our teachers to keep their focus on what goes on in the classroom and preserves 100% of their prep time between classes, as these final weeks are crucial to the kids' preparation & confidence. All showcase questions which are not already answered in the guide shared last month (and linked above) should only be directed to our administrative staff (front desk or e-mail).

I say it every year, but time sure does fly...and we've had such a great time this season that it feels like we blinked in the Fall and suddenly found ourselves 3 weeks away from the big show this Spring. Thank you so very much for a wonderful year. We can't wait for you to see your kiddos shine on stage!

Sincerely, Jaime & Team