

PRAIRIE SCHOOL OF DANCE

Quality instruction in a wholesome environment

FALL NEWSLETTER

Welcome!

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the Prairie School of Dance family. This fall marks our 15th year of teaching the joy of dance at our Prairie Lutheran Church location and our 1st year of teaching dance at Grace Church.

As the owner and executive director of the school, I am very thankful to the many parents and staff members that have supported my beliefs in the importance of a quality dance education in a beautiful, wholesome environment. It has been a long journey and we are so happy to have found our second home at Grace Church - thank you for your outstanding hospitality and support.

This year we also welcome 5 very talented dance instructors to our staff: Mackenzie Martin, Isla Katz, Morgan Kirvida, Katie Balfanz & Carrie McCollum. We greatly value their expertise, loving spirits, and beautiful dancing!

Dance can benefit the body, mind, and soul. It is our mission to inspire every dancer to foster self-discipline, self-respect, and self-expression in the classroom and have that lead them confidently out into the world to share their inner beauty.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to share our love of dance with you and your family.

Sarah Rinner Quie

Executive Director

MEET OUR STAFF!



Jennifer, Marit, Katie, Mrs. Quie, Morgan, Michelle, Mackenzie
Carrie, Isla, Sarah, Mallory, Jenna & Allison
(Absent: Miss Emilee & Miss Sonja)

We are very proud of our professional staff. To learn more about where your teacher has performed, choreographed and studied dance, visit the ABOUT US page on our website!



Thank you to everyone who joined in our **GRAND OPENING** celebration at Grace Church!



IMPORTANT DATES

OCTOBER 18-22

MEA ~ no classes (Tues. – Sat.)

NOVEMBER 22-27

Thanksgiving Break ~ no classes

DECEMBER 5-8

Parent Observation Week
for classes @ **Grace**

DECEMBER 10

Psalm 139 ~ Sacred Co. Performance
2:00pm & 5:00pm @ Grace

DECEMBER 12-17

Parent Observation Week
for classes @ **Prairie**

DECEMBER 17

All School Christmas Party
5:00pm @ Prairie Lutheran Church

DEC. 19 – JAN. 2

Christmas Break ~ no classes

MARCH 10

Performing Arts Showcase @ EPHS

APRIL 21-27

Photo & Parent Observation Week

JUNE 2

Spring Recital Dress Rehearsal
@ EPHS

JUNE 3

Spring Recitals @ EPHS

PRAIRIE PURPLE
& **GRACE GREEN**

*Full Dance-Year Calendar
Available Online!*

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SUMMER HIGHLIGHTS



SACRED DANCE TOUR

Our Sacred Dance Company toured to Washington DC to participate in Projectdance, an organization that “performs with integrity to inspire.” Our dancers performed along side dancers from all over the world at the Sylvan Theater outside the Washington Monument. Many people walking by were drawn to watch and be blessed by the message and joy of the dancing. The weekend tour also included master dance classes, professional dance performances, sight-seeing of the Arlington National Cemetery, the U.S. Capitol, and sighting of American Idol Winner Scotty McCreery. Thank you to all of the dancers and family that joined us in making our first Project Dance experience an event to remember!



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EEE RESIDENCY

12 of our Performing Arts students joined the stage this past July with Eclectic Edge Ensemble, a professional jazz company in Minneapolis. The students participated in a residency held at PSOD and then rehearsed with the company and performed at the Ritz Theater in Minneapolis. We are so proud of them!

PSOD CUSTOM DANCEWEAR

Dance sweatshirts are back again by popular demand! Sweatshirts & sweatpants may be pre-ordered by filling out a pre-order sheet available online.



Orders are due by November 14th.

Sample sizes will be available at the Prairie location in November. These are great gifts for Christmas!

DADS & DAUGHTERS!!



Grab your dad & come join the fun on **Fridays from 6:00 – 7:00pm @ Prairie!**
\$150/couple

Open for dancers ages 7 and up.

Register by October 14th!

First Session: Oct.14 – Dec.16

Second Session: Jan.6 – March2

WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

To find out if classes are cancelled due to inclement weather, please check the homepage of our website, call in to listen to our updated voicemail or look on our facebook page. We will update cancellations as early in advance as possible. Cancelled classes may be made up by attending any other class for your dancer's age group.

ATTENDANCE

Prompt & regular attendance is important for the best dance experience. Consistency creates a trusting community, strengthens the dancers' body and instills life-skills.

Please be sure your dancer arrives on time for class with hair pulled away from the face with proper footwear and attire for their class.

EMAIL COMMUNICATION

Email is our primary means of communication in order to be tree-friendly and provide timely information! Thank you for taking the time to read our emails!



TUITION & BILLING

The 9-month dance year is billed in 4 billing quarters. 8 dance classes are in a quarter. You will be sent a bill via email before the next quarter of dance begins.

There are many ways to pay your tuition bills. You may pay conveniently online on our website, sign-up for an automatic payment plan with your credit card, drop off your tuition in our tuition box at the Prairie Lutheran location, or mail to our dance office:

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