

## **WELCOME!**

We're looking forward to another great year! Welcome back to our returning families and welcome to our new families!! We know this year is going to be fantastic! We want to take this opportunity to remind you of some important dates, make sure you know how to receive information from us and review some of our policies and procedures to ensure everyone is safe.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Please keep in mind - when school classes are canceled we are canceled. We do not hold classes when school is closed. Also, when there is a school or PTA event in the building that conflicts with our schedule we may need to cancel class. Because of the limited space and times available to us, we do not hold make up classes. For closures due to weather or school functions we will send an email, post information on our website and send out a text via Remind.

**OCTOBER 1** - Final payments are due (please see our Payment policy on our website)

**OCTOBER 19** - Last day to Add, Transfer or Withdraw from classes (no refunds will be processed after this date)

NOVEMBER 14 - First day of classes for Drama Plays (classes take place at Udall Rd. MS)

MAY 2 & MAY 9 - Dress Rehearsals & Photos (schedule will be posted in early Spring)

MAY 10 & 11 - Spring Dance Recital at WIHS Salvatore Fiore Performing Arts Center

Visit the Calendar page on our website for other dates.

## STUDENT DISMISSAL

Safety is our priority - it is important for **EVERYONE** to follow our dismissal procedures.



Parents must park in MARKED parking spaces only when waiting for pick-up.

DO NOT stop and wait outside the Gym/Cafeteria doors. This blocks the flow of traffic and prevents others from getting into the parking lot safely. Please be respectful of others.

<u>Students Pre-K through 5th Grade MAY NOT leave the building without an adult escort.</u> Instructors will NOT release them to the parking lot. An adult must come into the building to pick up students.

Middle School & High School students may not wait unsupervised in the parking lot for pick up.

Students who drive to class must park in MARKED spots and please leave school grounds immediately following class.

### **IMPORTANT INFO**

<u>DRESS CODE</u>: age-appropriate dance clothing is recommended. Comfortable clothes may be worn - no jeans, slacks, bare mid-drifts.

<u>FOOTWEAR</u>: recital footwear style & color will be posted by the end of October once costumes are selected and ordered. <u>Appropriate footwear is required for the recital</u>. Sneakers may worn until then. NO BOOTS, UGGS, BARE FEET, SOCKS. For safety concerns, if a student does not have safe/appropriate footwear they will NOT be permitted to participate in class, they will sit and watch instruction.



<u>CELL PHONE USE</u>: Cell phones may NOT be used during class time (including water breaks). They must be stored away during the hour of class time.

<u>PHOTOGRAPHS</u>: Only instructors & Class Parents have permission to take photos for the sole use of the Recital slide show presentation. We respect the privacy of all of our students and photos may NOT be posted to social media sites.

<u>WATER/BATHROOM BREAKS</u>: Students may bring water to class. We ask that students use the restrooms prior to class time to avoid class disruptions.

<u>VISITORS</u>: Only registered Class Parents may remain in the building during class times. Visitors are not permitted. This is a requirement of our Insurance & Building Use Permits.

# STAY IN TOUCH

Our communication is done via email and text messaging. It is important to check your email regularly to receive important information such as shoe color, recital ticket information, class cancelations and more!

If you are not receiving our emails or change your email address, please contact us at info@westislipcreativearts.org and let us know.

#### Sign Up for REMIND Text Messages

Get information regarding class cancelations, deadlines, important dates, etc. You will need to sign-up again this year even if you joined last year.

#### Text your class code to 81010 and join today!

Monday Classes Code: @wicam

Tuesday Classes Code: @wicatu

Wednesday Classes Code: @wicaw

Thursday Classes Code: @wicath

Dear Edwina Jr. Code: @cc94d2

Drama Classes Code: @733ehd

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