

The Purple Thunder December Competitive News 2023

Attendance/Vacations

Just a friendly reminder that you have committed to a Competitive Dance Team for 10 months. Your dancer(s) attendance is mandatory during this commitment. Taking an extended family vacation during the season is not fair to your teammates but also puts a lot of pressure on your dancer(s) to keep up with the team. TDS will not condone or permit any “vacations” that take dancers out of the studio for multiple weeks. Families who insist on being away may forfeit their dancers’ spot on the team.

USB Sticks

Competitive Dancers wishing to have a copy of their competitive music are asked to please drop off a labelled USB stick at the front desk. Make sure it is clearly labeled with the dancers’ name and company. We only need one USB per family. Music is in the process of being edited and will be handed out when all songs have been completed.

Contact TDS Directly

Unless it is an emergency, please do not use personal contact information to contact any of the staff about anything studio related. All communication should be done through TDS by emailing or calling the studio directly, and NOT in between classes.

Free Studio Space for Extra Work Choreography.

As always TDS is happy to provide free studio space to all our dancers to practice their extra work routines throughout the week. There are half hour time slots available, maximum of two solo/duet/trios in the room at once OR one group. If you are the last one in the studio, please make sure to return the iPod to the front desk and turn the power and lights off in the studio.

Solo Costumes

For all families that have opted to look after their dancers’ solos costumes themselves, please note:

- If you have opted to do your own costumes, then you oversee sourcing your dancer(s) costume completely. This includes any alterations and adding any embellishments.
- Costumes should be run by Miss Ruth-Ann and Miss Rachelle for approval and to ensure we avoid any duplicates.
- If you want TDS to order or alter something it will then become The Dance Shoppe’s responsibility. A costume deposit will be charged, and TDS will look after fittings, accessories, embellishments etc.

Inclement Weather

In the event of inclement weather, please call the studio or check the website to see if we are cancelling studio classes for that day. If we feel the need to cancel studio classes, we will leave a message on the studio phone, send an email, and try to post on our website, social media, and our App. If you are unsure about coming, please call us at 905-878-1488 before travelling to the studio. We will be thinking Safety First!

Competitive Shoe and Tight List 2023/24

TDS has provided the competitive shoe and tight list for all 2023/2024 competitive groups. We will also provide a shoe and tight list for all duets/trios and solos that TDS is responsible for designing in the next few weeks. If dancers are wanting to not wear tights for their solos/duets/trios they may do so, they just need to be approved by TDS.

TDS Competitive Stage Look- Reminders

For the safety of the dancers, we ask that all dancers remove any **extra jewellery**, example earrings, nose, lip, eyebrow rings and if 2-piece costume bellybutton rings. (Anything visible to the audience.) Fake nails may be worn if they are a french or clear finish and are not overly long or pointy.

TDS Make Up Kits

We are happy to announce that we will still be working with the same make-up supplier as last year! STAGE by Daniella provides makeup tailored for the performance industry. Daniella's has several options for you to choose from. They are all the same colour base so depending on your budget you can choose which one you would like.

Your dancer will need the following:

Foundation: You can purchase foundation from Daniella, or you can purchase your foundation from your own source.

Eyeshadow: Must be purchased from Daniella's (White/Light Brown/Dark Brown)

Blush: Must be purchased from Daniella's (Pink)

Lip Stick: Must be purchased from Daniella's (Red Matte)

Mascara: Comes in the base kit from Daniella (Black)

Eyeliner: Comes in the base kit from Daniella (Black)

Dancers who already have the kit **but need to replenish** items can buy the items individually on the portal as well. It is not mandatory to purchase a new kit every year, however, it is highly recommended to purchase a new kit each season for health reasons. Most makeup only has a shelf life of one year.

Please Note:

*Link for our TDS online portal is: <https://stagebeauty.co/thedanceshoppe/>

*Password is: shoppe

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

We would like to take this moment to thank each family for helping make The Dance Shoppe “Milton’s Family Dance Studio” From our family to yours - Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Thank you,
Miss Ruth-Ann and Miss Rachelle and the entire staff at TDS

Group Fundraisers

Please keep in mind that group fundraisers will benefit **ALL** the competitive families therefore we need **ALL** the competitive families’ support! It is mandatory to help at these events in some way shape or form. If you are not able to attend/participate in a mandatory event a set “buy out fee” will be pre-determined and billed per person per event. The amounts will vary as per the event. Example: If you are not attending the Sleepover, you will be responsible for a \$30.00 donation “buyout” to the event.

3rd Mandatory Group Fundraiser

1. Liquor Draw Tickets: Each Competitive family will be responsible to sell 2 books of 15 tickets.

****Raffle tickets have gone home****

Tickets are: \$2.00 for 1 or \$5.00 for 3.
Buyout is: \$50.00 per Family. (Cost of the 2 books of tickets)
Submit By: Thursday December 14th @ 5:30pm
Raffle: Thursday December 14th @ 6:30pm

1st prize \$500.00
2nd prize \$250.00
3rd prize \$100.00

Coming up.....

January: Dance Party

Individual Fundraisers

TDS has provided you with “Individual Fundraisers” to help offset the costs of competition and or tuition. All funds raised at these events will be applied directly to your account. These are not mandatory. So far this season many families have taken advantage of MacMillan’s, Terra Poinsettia’s, and Fielding’s Wine fundraising opportunities. If you have done any other fundraisers in the past that were successful that you would like TDS to investigate, please let us know!

Terra Greenhouse:

Orders Due: Nov 18th
Orders Delivered: Dec 5th

Fielding Wines

Orders Due: Dec 5th
Orders Delivered: Dec 12th

Coming up....

Jan: MacGregor Meats
Feb: Kernels Popcorn