



Important

CLASS & INDIVIDUAL PICTURES, POTLUCK PICNIC, DANCE RECITALS & GYMNASTIC/CHEER SHOWCASE



Keep this info handy until the first week of May



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We are now into the second half of our dance, cheer, and gymnastic season and our pictures, picnic, annual recitals and showcases are just around the corner. This marks Elite Studio's **Third** year and we feel very fortunate to be a part of your lives. Our students and parents bring us so much happiness. Thank you for your loyal support. We appreciate it very much. Elite Studios would not be a success without you!

Our theme for the Recitals and Showcase is:

"Footloose"

- The Dance Recitals will be held at the Idaho Falls Civic Auditorium on Saturday, May 5th at 1:00pm and 7:00pm. **Please note the new times. Please check to see which show(s) your child's class is performing in.** Admission is FREE to the public. The dress rehearsal will be Friday, May 4th the night before starting at 4:00pm.
- The Gymnastics and Cheer Spring Showcase will be held at the Hobbs Middle School Gym on Friday, April 27th at 5:00pm. Admission is FREE to the public. THERE WILL NOT BE A DRESS REHERSAL.
- When paying for DVD's, flowers & pictures please write separate checks for each item.

With much love and excitement,

Keri & Staff

Park Practice & Pot Luck Picnic

Saturday, April 21st (Check times below)

We will be holding our annual Park Practice and Pot Luck Picnic on the stage at the Shelley City Park. This is a tradition that has been enjoyed for a long time.

- **8:30-11:30am:** The **Gymnasts** will meet at the **gym** and rehearse their routines. This practice will REALLY help the gymnasts with the staging the timing of the events and what order they will be in.
- **11:30-Noon:** Pot Luck Picnic for all students of Elite Studios.
- **Noon-4:00:** The **Dancers** will meet and perform on the **stage**. We will go in the order of the shows. The Matinee Recital will go first and then the Evening Recital. We will not be working on the staging at this time.

ALL Gymnastics students will have a “casual” rehearsal at the gym that Saturday morning. We will **ALL** meet at the park at 11:30am for the Potluck Picnic. **ALL Dance** students will then have a “casual” rehearsal at the park on the stage. Please have your children dress in something that they can move in and that is weather appropriate. If the weather is bad-snow or rain- we will have to cancel the picnic. Check your email that morning if it is questionable. (Pray for good weather!) We will have the gymnasts scheduled in the morning starting at 8:30am and the dancers scheduled right after the picnic. Between the rehearsals we will have a pot luck picnic for the students. Families are welcome to join us but will need to bring a picnic of their own.

We understand that there are other obligations on Saturday mornings but this event REALLY helps the students UNDERSTAND what order they go in, how to enter and exit, and gives them an opportunity to “see” the whole show. Families are more than welcome to watch. We suggest you bring your lawn chairs or blankets. We’ll save the picnic tables for the performers. *Please come to any amount of this practice that you can. You only need to attend the portion that your child is in. You can drop them off but please realize we cannot watch every child. Feel free to come and go as you need to.

This is a wonderful event for the students to socialize and enjoy the energy that comes from team work and belonging to a studio. Here is the schedule.

(Please cut and save for future reference)

Your child’s class has been assigned to bring: _____ for 12 people.

Families are welcome but the potluck food is only for the students.

Gymnastics & Cheer Spring Showcase

Friday, April 27th at 5:00pm - Hobbs Middle School Gym

Admission is FREE to the public

Doors will open at 4:30pm

A great deal of time has been spent on how we can best showcase your child in the most efficient amount of time. We divide our Showcase up into blocks of time. Families are more than welcome to stay for the whole performance. We do realize that this is a long time to sit on bleachers. We just ask that you commit to staying for your child's block.

PLEASE NOTE: **We REALLY need parent helpers** to sit with the classes. Please sign up at the desk or call or email if you would like to help. Reserved seating will be provided for your family the night of the showcase for assisting. You will be able to watch your child perform.

Students need to be in the hallway (by the office) no later than 20 minutes before your scheduled time block. Bring your child directly to the hallway. Have them precede to their class sign. **ABSOLUTELY NO FOOD!** They are required to stay there until after they perform. Once their class has performed they will be able to sit with their families. Bring a blanket and/or coloring books, etc. to help keep them quiet while they are waiting.

Parents are responsible for changing their own child's outfits if they are involved in both gymnastics and cheer. Each class will have a parent helper to help them wait quietly before they perform. Please talk with your child about performance etiquette- being quiet, respectful, patient and waiting for their turn. This is a learning experience as well as a fun time. There can be no running around. All students (even those with multiple costume changes) are required to wait in the hallway.

AFTER THE FINAL BOWS AND SALUTES, STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO SIT WITH THEIR FAMILIES.

Parents are to be courteous while students are performing on the floor. Please enter or exit the gymnasium before or after routines so it is not a distraction for others. Take into consideration that you would not want someone to walk in front of you while your child was performing. Thank you for understanding.

Hair: Gymnasts are REQUIRED to wear their hair pulled completely back any way they like for the showcase. Cheerleaders will wear their hair away from their face. If your child is involved in both cheer and gymnastics please be prepared to help them with their hair. Please come to the Showcase with your hair already prepared.

Make-up: Students can wear make-up during the show. Please use your best judgment and what you are comfortable with. Remember that the distance from the bleachers will blur their faces.

Jewelry: **ABSOLUTELY NO JEWELRY**, including earrings, rings, watches and bracelets. If we see any we will remove them, so leave them at home. Jewelry is a safety concern and that is why we do not wear it.

Shoes: Gymnasts will go bare foot. Cheerleaders will wear their white shoes. Please make sure that they are plain white. It is distracting on the floor when students have different colored shoes on.

Video Taping & Pictures: We will NOT have a professional videographer at the Showcase. You may take pictures during the show, but please do not stand in front of others that are watching the performance. Flash photography is not allowed.

Flowers: We will have a florist there to hand out pre-paid flowers before the time blocks. Included is a special order form to order and pay for them ahead of time. This is a nice gift to show your child how proud you are of them. We will also have a limited amount of flowers for sale before the show.

Parent Assistance: Every year we need parent helpers. We ask parents to help out with both the Picnic and the Showcase. You will be able to save seats for your family in exchange. If you can, please sign up at the desk in the office.

We also NEED parents to help move the equipment. We'll need help both before the Showcase and after. It doesn't take long when several people pitch in. If you- or your husband- can, please sign up at the desk. Your family will receive saved seats for the help.

Don't hesitate to ask questions, especially if this is your first show. Talk to your child's coach/teacher or contact Keri at elite.studios@yahoo.com or 357-3300. Please don't call your teachers individually at home.

Here is the order of the practice at the gym and for the Showcase:

Block 1

Picnic Morning: 8:30-8:40 AM

Showcase: 5:00-5:10 PM

K-5th Grade Cheer	Mondays	4:00 PM
5th-8th Grade Cheer	Mondays	2:30 PM

Block 3

Picnic Morning: 9:30-10:30 AM

Showcase: 6:00-7:00 PM

4 Year Old Gymnastics	Thursdays	10:45 AM
5 Year Old Gymnastics	Thursdays	3:00 PM
6-7 Year Old- Level 1 Gymnastics	Wednesdays	3:45 PM
6-7 Year Old- Level 2 Gymnastics	Thursdays	5:15 PM
8+ Year Old- Beginning Gymnastics	Wednesdays	4:30 PM
8+ Year Old- Elite Gymnastics	Wednesdays	6:15 PM

Block 2

Picnic Morning: 8:40-9:30 AM

Showcase: 5:10-6:00 PM

3 Year Old Gymnastics	Wednesdays	1:30 PM
4 Year Old Gymnastic	Wednesdays	2:15 PM
5 Year Old Gymnastics	Wednesdays	3:00 PM
6-7 Year Old Gymnastics	Thursdays	4:30 PM
Boys 8+ Years Gym	Tuesdays	3:45 PM
Tumbling	Tuesdays	4:45 PM

Block 4

Picnic Morning: 10:30-11:30 AM

Showcase: 7:00-8:00 PM

3 Year Old Gymnastics	Thursdays	10:00 AM
4-5 Year Old- Level 2 Gymnastics	Thursdays	3:45 PM
5-8 Year Old- Boys Gymnastics	Tuesdays	3:00 PM
8+ Year Old- Beginning Gymnastics	Thursdays	6:00 PM
8+ Year Old- Intermediate Gymnastics	Wednesdays	5:15 PM
8+ Year Old- Intermediate Gymnastics	Thursdays	7:00 PM

Dress Rehearsal-Dance

Friday, May 4th at the Idaho Falls Civic Auditorium, 4:00pm

Our dress rehearsal will be in the order of the recitals. This is to ensure that those with multiple and quick changes have the time they need. Please pay attention to the time they are scheduled to practice. We will do everything we can to stay on schedule. Once your child has practiced BOTH dances on the stage they are free to leave.

- Students are to be fully dressed in their costumes and have on the appropriate shoes and tights during dress rehearsal. We strongly urge you put your child's names in their shoes and costumes in case they get lost. (Because they do!)
- Bring your child directly to the main auditorium (unless they have been assigned a dressing room) and seat them by their class sign. Feed them before you come and please NO snacks. The Civic doesn't allow food inside the auditorium. Water bottles with a name on them are ok.
- Backstage helpers are needed for the shows and dress rehearsal. At the rehearsal you will be shown what to do. Sign ups are on the studio desk or you can call or email.
- Parents can change their child's costumes in the bathrooms during the dress rehearsal and the shows .
- Students are to sit in their assigned rows with their class for the rehearsal. Students will sit in the lower middle section of the auditorium. Parents and siblings can sit on the outsides. This will help the rehearsal run faster.
- Please do not let your children run "wild" through the auditorium. This is very disrespectful to the other students and parents.
- At the rehearsal we will show parents where to take their child on the day of the recitals. ALL students will be placed upstairs in the upper balcony during the recital (except for the very littlest dancers.)
- Absolutely NO friends will be allowed downstairs in the dressing rooms or up in the balcony.

Dress Rehearsal Schedule

Matinee Recital Dress Rehearsal:

- 4:00p.m.-4:10** Announcements
Show parents where to take the dancers the day of the recital
Finale' bows (ALL students must participate)
- 4:10-6:00??** Run through dress rehearsal

Evening Recital Dress Rehearsal:

- 6:30p.m.-6:40** Announcements
Show parents where to take the dancers the night of the recital
Finale' bows (ALL students must participate)
- 6:40-8:45??** Run through dress rehearsal

Please Note Dress rehearsals run a lot longer then the recital because we allow more time for staging, lighting and practicing our routines. Our Dance Recitals WILL BE UNDER 2 hours. ☺

Matinee Show Rehearsal Lineup

- 1 Summertime
- 2 Big Rock Candy Mountain
- 3 Putting On My Tutu
- 4 Singin' In the Rain
- 5 Rolling In the Deep
- 6 La Cucaracha
- 7 So Close
- 8 Dance With Me
- 9 One in a Million
- 10 Someday
- 11 You and Me
- 12 Black & Yellow
- 13 Little April Showers
- 14 Come Dance With Me
- 15 Get Cha Head In the Game
- 16 Musical Chairs with Mickey
- 17 Greased Lightning
- 18 DJ's Got Us Falling
- 19 Whip It
- 20 Give Me A Rainbow
- 21 Only Hope
- 22 Shakin
- 23 What's That Song
- 24 Mama Mia
- 25 Hallelujah
- 26 Keep Your Head Up
- 27 Kingdom Dance
- 28 Shake, Rattle and Roll
- 29 Baby Face
- 30 Wanted
- 31 Crocodile Rock
- 32 Speed Racer
- 33 Oh La Ley
- 34 Dance Dance Dance
- 35 Are You Listening
- 36 Party Rock Anthem
- 37 Welcome to the County Fair
- 38 Just Strings
- 39 Ice Cream Crazy
- 40 Wild Wild West
- 41 Strawberry Shake
- 42 Dream
- 43 Sugar Plum Fairy
- 44 A- You're Adorable
- 45 Falling Slowly
- 46 My Cha Cha
- 47 Hold On
- 48 She's Got Cooties
- 49 Not Your Birthday
- 50 Rubber Ball
- 51 Fire Burning
- 52 Dance of the Reeds

Evening Show Rehearsal Lineup

- 1 Wake Me Up
- 2 Rolling In the Deep
- 3 Funky Town
- 4 Get Cha Head In the Game
- 5 Just Strings
- 6 Come Dnce With Me
- 7 You & Me
- 8 Light Up The World
- 9 Puff the Magic Dragon
- 10 Tricky
- 11 One Eye Shut
- 12 Battlefield
- 13 She's So Gone
- 14 So Close
- 15 Remember
- 16 Someday
- 17 Only Hope
- 18 Single Ladies
- 19 Alone
- 20 Reflection
- 21 Shake, Rattle and Roll
- 22 My Cha Cha
- 23 Wanted
- 24 Oh La Ley
- 25 Dance Dance Dance
- 26 Are You Listening
- 27 Party Rock Anthem
- 28 Hallelujah
- 29 Johnny Be Good
- 30 The UnBirthday Song
- 31 Shake It Up
- 32 Rainbow Connection
- 33 Hold On
- 34 Hey Mickey
- 35 Greased Lightning
- 36 Venus
- 37 Unfriend You
- 38 Rock This Party
- 39 She Loved Me
- 40 Crocodile Rock
- 41 Make Us One
- 42 Bandstand Boogie
- 43 Not Your Birthday
- 44 Sugar Plum Fairy
- 45 Naturally
- 46 Keep Your Head Up
- 47 Mr. Pinstripes
- 48 Dance of the Reeds

Dance Recitals

Saturday, May 5th at 1:00pm and/or 7:00pm

at the Idaho Falls Civic Auditorium

(please note the new times)

Admission is FREE to the public

Doors will open at 12:15 and 6:15

Because of the number of students we now have, this year we will hold two separate shows. We have tried to divide it fairly with the oldest groups and Seniors performing in both shows. A few classes get to perform in both. All considerations to families were considered. If your family is lucky enough to perform in both shows we would appreciate your full-on support and positive attitude. This will make for a much happier experience. We know that this will be better than asking family members and friends to sit through a 4 hour “marathon” dance recital.

Students need to be upstairs in the balcony no later than ½ an hour prior to show times. Take your dancer directly to the balcony. Some of the older classes and students with many costume changes are in the dressing rooms. The youngest classes are in the front right of the auditorium. Have them precede to their class sign. **ABSOLUTELY NO FOOD!** They are required to stay there the remainder of the recital. They **WILL NOT** be allowed to run around. Please talk to them about being respectful and obedient.

PLEASE NOTE: There is no prior seat saving except for graduating seniors, class helper’s family members and those that signed up to set up and take down. (Sign ups are on the studio desk.) Thank you for understanding.

Parents are responsible for changing their own child’s costumes and shoes for their next dance. Each class is assigned a parent helper to help keep them quiet and help them prepare to perform. Please chat with your child about performance etiquette- being quiet, respectful, patient and waiting for their turn. This is a learning experience as well as fun. There can be no running around. All dancers (except for those with multiple costume changes) are required to wait and watch from the balcony.

PLEASE MAKE A PLAN WITH YOUR CHILD ON WHERE TO MEET THEM AFTER THE SHOW.

Parents are to be courteous while the students are performing on stage. Please enter or exit the auditorium before or after the dances. It is a distraction for others and can interfere with the videographer. Take into consideration that you would not want someone to walk in front of you while your child was on stage. Thank you for understanding.

Hair: Students may wear their hair any way they like for the recital. (Unless the teacher specifies differently.) We only require that the front of the hair be pulled up, so it is out of their eyes and face. If there is a bow or hairpiece, place it on the child's right side of their head, or it can be placed in the back. Please come to the performance with your hair and make-up already prepared.

Make-up: Students should apply make-up for the recital. Please use your best judgment and what you are comfortable with. Remember that the stage lights wash out their faces. See Hair/Makeup sheet that is included.

Jewelry: **ABSOLUTLEY NO JEWELRY:** including earrings, rings, watches and bracelets. If we see any we will remove them, so leave them at home. Jewelry reflects on the stage in the lights, and can get caught in their hair and in their costume.

Shoes: All students should wear the appropriate shoes and tights for the recital. Please make sure they are the correct color. It is distracting on stage when students have different colored shoes on. If you need the correct color of shoes or tights you can order them at the studio.

Video Taping & Pictures: We will have professional DVD's available to purchase. They will include BOTH shows. (Order form is included in this packet.) You may take pictures during the recital, but please do not stand in front of others that are watching the performance. No flash photography is allowed.

Flowers: We will have a florist there to hand out pre-paid flowers before the shows. Included is a special order form to order and pay for them ahead of time. This is a nice gift to show your dancer how proud you are of them. We will also have a limited amount of flowers for sale before the show. If you do not pick them up before the show they will be taken backstage.

Parent Helpers: Every year we need parent helpers. We ask parents to give both nights (dress rehearsal and recital) of their time. You will be able to save seats for your family in exchange for your time. If you can, please sign up at the studio desk. You will be able to watch your child perform!

We also need help with the scenery. We'll need help both before the dress rehearsals and after the evening recital. It doesn't take long when several people pitch in. If you are interested, please sign up at the desk. You will receive reserved seats for your help.

Don't hesitate to ask questions, especially if this is your first show!! Talk to your child's teacher or email elite.studios@yahoo.com or call Keri at 357-3300. Please don't call your teachers individually at home.

Thank you for your help! It is very much appreciated!!