

# FEBRUARY 2026

## To the Pointe Newsletter



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*Welcome, February!*

We are one month closer to spring and our most favourite time of the year - festivals and recital! Please ensure you read our monthly newsletters thoroughly, as they outline important upcoming dates, performances, make up classes, and schedules.

**February 9-12 is Valentine's Week**, and dancers are welcome to wear any red, pink, or heart clothing and accessories to celebrate.

Sincerely,  
Gjenna & Anne-Alisa

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## Important February Dates

**Performing Arts dancers in a solo or duet are welcome to rent studio time during the month of February to rehearse your extra numbers. Email us to book!**

**February 16-19:** Winter Break. The studio will be closed for regular classes to coincide with the Wolf Creek School Division's Winter Break. Classes will resume on Monday, February 23rd.

### **February 17: Extra ballet practice for Levels 2, 3 and 5**

Miss Alexis would like to hold an extra ballet practice for Levels 2, 3 and 5 dancers over the Winter Break. We have had numerous dancers away and sick throughout the month of January, so she would love to utilize the break time to continue to clean choreography for these groups. Times are as follows:

- Level 2 ballet: 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.
- Level 3 ballet: 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
- Level 5 ballet: 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

If your dancers is unable to attend, please let us know as soon as possible. Thank you!

### **February 27: Extra Number Recital dress rehearsal**

We will run through the show order for our Extra Number Recital so dancers in multiple routines have a chance to practice and know how much time they have for costume changes. Once dancers are done their routine(s) they are free to go and aren't required to stay until the end. See your email attachment for the show order.

- Where: G2D studio
- Time: 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

**February 28:** Festival and costume fees due for all Performing Arts dancers. **Please note that all fees must be up to date before costumes are sent home.** This includes lesson fees, festival fees and costume fees. Thank you for your cooperation!

## Attendance Reminder

It's hard to believe we are already six months into the dance season! Thank you, dancers and families, for your dedication. As we approach our final months, a reminder that attendance is very important, especially for our Performing Arts dancers. Instructors are working hard to put the final touches on choreography and clean routines so that everyone is prepared to hit the stage in March. Every dancer is an important part of the team! Multiple unexcused absences may result in a dancer being choreographed out of portions of their routine. If your dancer is unable to attend a class, a parent must let your instructor know as soon as possible. Thank you from G2D!

## Festivals - Performing Arts only

We have started to receive draft schedules from festival organizers. You can expect the finalized schedules to be arriving to your inbox over the coming weeks. A reminder of our upcoming festival dates:

- Debut Dance, Edmonton, The Orange Hub - Thursday, April 2 - Saturday, April 4 (ending on Saturday for Easter weekend)
- Dance to the Future, Camrose - Wednesday, April 8 - Sunday, April 12 (Rising Stars & Adult Hip Hop will attend this festival). *Please note: this festival will be starting one day earlier than originally announced due to an increased amount of entries. Only some solos and duets will perform on the Wednesday, and all dance families with extra numbers were previously notified of this change.*
- Dance Vibe, St. Albert - Thursday, April 23 - Sunday, April 26 (Adult Hip Hop will attend this festival)

## Costume, hair & make-up checklists

Costume, hair and make-up checklists will be emailed to all Performing Arts families. This checklist is to be followed for stage rehearsal, festivals, picture day, and the year-end recital. It is highly recommended to label all costumes and shoes, as mix ups can happen easily in dressing rooms! Make sure to review the checklists before each performance to ensure nothing gets left behind! G2D does not have extra costumes on hand. If you don't have your costume at festivals, you will not be able to perform, so please check and double check those items.

## *Performing Arts Stage Rehearsal week, modified schedules & Extra Number Recital details*

Stage Rehearsal is for Performing Arts Rising Stars, Levels 1-5, as well as our adult hip hop class. It gives our dancers the chance to practice their routines on stage before festivals begin. Rehearsals will run in the evenings March 3rd & 4th at the Red Deer Memorial Centre (the same location as our Christmas Recital). We have tried our best to schedule stage rehearsal to allow time for our dance families to get to Red Deer after school, while also not holding rehearsals too late into the evenings.

**Please note that to accommodate stage rehearsals, there will be a modified schedule for all classes this week as instructors will be in Red Deer on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.**

### **MONDAY, MARCH 2 - Modified Recreational schedule**

ALL Recreational classes will run on Monday this week. Miss Megan and Miss Jordan's classes will run at their regular times. Miss Alexis' Monday classes will run at modified times - see below. If you cannot attend, please let your instructor know. Class times are as follows:

Studio A (Miss Megan & Miss Jordan)

- 3:45 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. | Kinderdance I
- 4:15 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. | Mini Movers & Groovers III
- 5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. | Mini Movers & Groovers I
- 5:45 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. | Movers & Groovers
- 6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. | Rising Stars Hip Hop
- 7:15 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. | Level 3-5 Hip Hop
- 8:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m. | Level 1-2 Hip Hop
- 8:45 p.m. - 9:45 p.m. | Adult Hip Hop

Studio B (Miss Gjenna & Miss Alexis)

- 4:15 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. | Mini Movers & Groovers II (Miss Gjenna's Thursday class)
- 5:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. | Kinderdance II (Miss Gjenna's Tuesday class)
- 5:45 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. | Level 1 Ballet
- 6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. | Level 1-2 Tap
- 7:15 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. | Level 2 Ballet
- 8:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m. | Level 3-5 Tap

### **TUESDAY, MARCH 3 - Stage Rehearsal, Night 1, Red Deer Memorial Centre 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.**

There will be no classes running at the studio this evening!

With the exception of variety, each group will rehearse for approximately 10 minutes. A reminder complete hair, makeup and costumes are required. Stage rehearsal allows dancers to have an extremely important trial run so they are fully prepared for festivals. It also allows instructors to see the complete picture of the routine and determine if any adjustments need to be made before festival season. Families are welcome to stay and watch the rehearsals. Once all your routines are complete, you are free to leave! This is not a ticketed event and all dances are filmed so that we can watch our footage in the studio afterwards.

Please arrive by entering through the Central Alberta Theatre (CAT) doors and allow yourself enough time to get organized in your designated change room and to properly stretch before we begin.

## **Performance order for Tuesday, March 3:**

- 5 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. | Variety

Remaining routines have roughly 10 minutes of practice each. Once your routine(s) are done, you are free to leave and aren't required to stay to the end.

- 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. performance order:

1. Level 1-2 Tap
2. Rising Stars Jazz
3. Level 3 Ballet
4. Level 1 Ballet
5. Level 2 Ballet
6. Rising Stars Ballet
7. Level 1 Jazz
8. Level 2 Jazz
9. Level 4 Ballet
10. Level 1-2 Lyrical
11. Level 3-5 Tap
12. Rising Stars Hip Hop \*
13. Level 1-2 Acro
14. Level 5 Ballet
15. Level 1-2 Hip Hop\*
16. Level 3-5 Hip Hop\*
17. Adult Hip Hop\*

\*For dancers only in hip hop, we will aim to start Miss Jordan's rehearsals around 7:00 p.m., so please arrive by then.

## **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4 - Stage Rehearsal, Night 2, Red Deer Memorial Centre 5:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.**

There will be no classes running at the studio this evening! Rising Stars and Junior level dancers do not attend tonight, as you have already rehearsed your dances.

Routines have roughly 10 minutes of practice each. Once your routine(s) are done, you are free to leave and aren't required to stay to the end.

### **5:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. performance order:**

1. Level 5 Jazz
2. Level 4 Jazz
3. Level 3 Jazz
4. Level 5 Acro
5. Level 3-4 Acro
6. Level 5 Lyrical
7. Level 4 Lyrical
8. Level 3 Lyrical
9. Level 5 Contemporary
10. Level 3-4 Contemporary
11. Level 5 Modern
12. Level 3-4 Modern

## Extra Number Recital

**Extra Number Dress Rehearsal:** We will hold a dress rehearsal for our Extra Number Recital on Friday, February 27 at the studio, from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. Dancers should come in costume, and once they have performed their number, they are free to go. (See email for attached performance order.)

**THURSDAY, MARCH 5 - Extra Number Recital, Red Deer Memorial Centre**  
**5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.**

There will be no classes running at the studio this evening!

All Performing Arts dancers in a solo or duet will have their routines showcased in our Extra Number Recital. This will be a ticketed event and gives dancers the chance to practice their routines on stage in front of an audience before festivals begin. These numbers will not perform in our year-end recital, so we encourage everyone to come and cheer on their teammates! Awards will be also be handed out at the end of the show.

**Ticket cost:** \$20 (includes link to recital filming that will be emailed to parents after the completion of the show). Dancers performing do not require a ticket, as they will be backstage.

**How to purchase tickets:** Tickets will go on sale on February 5, 2026 through the Red Deer Memorial Centre, and can be purchased online: <https://www.showpass.com/g2dx26/>

## Upcoming Important Dates

**Spring Break:** There will be no classes March 23-26 to coincide with the Wolf Creek School Division's Spring Break. Classes will resume on Monday, March 30.

**Picture Day:** April 27-30 during the last week of classes. Details and times TBA.

The possibility of having picture day during stage rehearsal was brought up at the beginning of the season, and we wanted to provide an update to our dance families who inquired. We explored this option, however we discovered that the logistics simply made it unworkable. It would have lengthened the time of stage rehearsal significantly resulting in very late evenings and a lot of moving parts for instructors to manage at the same time. We truly appreciate everyone's input and understanding!

**Year-End Recital:** Saturday, May 2. Details TBA.

