

GRIFFITH ACADEMY



May your holidays be merry and bright...

Dear Families,

We hope that you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving with your family and a relaxing weekend.

We are looking forward to our holiday celebrations in all of our Ballet, Tap, Jazz and Irish choreography classes. Santa will be visiting our younger classes and all students are encouraged to wear holiday attire. The dates for this are as follows: Thursday, Dec. 12, Friday, Dec. 13, Saturday, Dec. 14, Monday, Dec. 16, Tuesday, Dec. 17, and Wednesday Dec. 18.

You will receive an invoice for Spring semester via email next week. We should be in receipt of all 2nd semester tuition by Wednesday, December 18th. You can mail your tuition to: Griffith Academy, 31 Middletown Ave., Wethersfield, CT 06109. If you would like to pay in person by cash or **credit card**, we will hold Business Hours on **Sunday, December 15th** from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. This is the only time credit card payments can be accepted.

If you would like to purchase a gray Griffith Academy sweatshirt, green Griffith Academy winter hat, or Preschool pink zip up hoodie, please email us at: info@griffithacademy.com and we will have a teacher walk it out with your child at the end of class. Gray sweatshirts are \$22 for Child sizes and \$25 for Adult sizes. Pink hoodies are \$20. Winter hats are \$25. Our new Griffith Academy track suits are available for purchase online at the following link: <https://griffithacademy2024.itemorder.com>.

If classes are canceled because of snow or inclement weather, we will email all families. We will also post the cancellation on our website (griffithacademy.com). Please always use your own discretion to travel and we understand if children miss classes because of the weather. Please keep in mind that we are not automatically canceled if schools are closed.

We would like to invite any of our Ballet students who would like to be part of Liturgical Dance during the Children's Christmas Liturgy on Dec. 24th at St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church in Hartford (4:00 mass on Christmas Eve) to come to rehearsal at the studio on Sunday, December 8th at 1:00 p.m. Rehearsals will also be held at St. Patrick-St Anthony Church on Sunday, December 15th at 1:00 p.m. and Monday, December 23 at 10:00 a.m. All Ballet students (Level 1 thru 9) are welcome. Dancers should be at least 6 years old. If you are interested, please sign up at the following link: <https://spsact.org/liturgical-dance-2024/#sign-up>

Congratulations to all of our dancers who participated in the New England Oireachtas. You danced with skill and grace and we are so proud of each and every one of you. Thank you to our dancers for being supportive of one another, and mostly to our parents for your support and dedication.

Our holiday break will begin on Thursday, December 19th and all classes will resume on Monday, January 6th, 2025.

The school's protocols and schedule will remain the same for our Spring semester. Students are automatically registered in their same classes for the second semester.

Wishing you all a peaceful and joyous holiday season.

Warmly, Miss Mary Beth and the Griffith Academy Staff