

Lake City Dance Arts update. March 24, 2020

Hello to all of you! The studio looks, feels and sounds very empty. We miss all the excitement, giggles, smiles and even the teen chatter! Now that our official "Spring Break Vacation" is over it is time to get back to work studying and doing what we can to keep dancing. I am more exhausted from reading about tech solutions for teaching dance than I am dancing 6 hours a day. Our dance teacher network is offering much advice on how to keep the studio running. I was starting to panic because it seemed so overwhelming. Listening to teachers from around the country made me extra thankful for our incredible LCDA family. I enjoyed personally texting each of you and appreciate all the kind responses. No negativity and only encouragement unlike many studios. Sadly, we are not sure when we can resume classes because of the unknowns. Hopefully soon. We WILL have a recital....the date might change...but we can look forward to that special event!

I have learned that Dropbox.com is a great way to share videos with everyone. No need to have FB or Dropbox accounts! Tomorrow I will be texting two links to our students that are videos of "Chicken Fat" and "Church Clap". These can be shared with the entire family for fun and physical fitness. Maybe incorporate it into your home-schooling schedule for PE. Please use them!! This week we will be filming a 30min Yoga video for families and will send that when it is ready. There will be videos of recital dances for practice at home. We will have suggestions for ways to work on your technique. I can even send links to your actual recital music with our edits. Whew!

Posting music and videos sounds easy, however, our industry is having to deal with music copyrights (even though we do pay annual licensing fees) and insurance! Pretty strange since we are working in crisis mode. A word to all of you dealing with family overload... Ms. Pam and I were "stay at home moms" so we know firsthand how exhausting and frustrating life can be as you are a teacher, nurse, rule keeper and therapist for the kids while maintaining your wife, daughter, granddaughter and sister roles. We survived and our children turned out great even though we didn't always know what we were doing. We both really miss those years and realize how fast that precious time went by. Hang in there. Stop and just breathe. Don't become overwhelmed trying to keep up with what others are supposedly doing. Children simply need to be loved and led in the right direction. Boundaries are good! Chaos is not necessary. My optimistic outlook tells me we may be better off in many areas of our lives when this whole thing ends.

LOOK FOR THE GOOD!!

Any comments or questions? Please text/call the studio 386.755.8869