

September 2022



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*“Friends that dance
together, stay
together.”*

New fall classes at NESD begin on Tuesday, September 6th!

Tips for Falling Back into a Busy Schedule

Let's face it – kids these days are busy! September is a time of new beginnings, but it also offers an opportunity to reorganize for optimum efficiency. There are so many opportunities for students to try new classes and get more involved at NESD this month! At first glance, adding to your schedule may seem challenging, but the personal development you'll quickly see in your dancer will make it all worth it, and we make every attempt to offer flexibility and variety that we hope will work for all families. Consider diving deeper into NESD's programs in one of these ways:

- *Audition for an additional role in the Nutcracker on Saturday, September 10th!*
- *Audition for our performing company on Saturday, September 10th!*
- *Add another class or two to explore various styles, spend more time learning with new friends and see your technique improve more quickly!*
- *Ask us how your family might be able to volunteer at the studio or performances to get more involved behind the scenes.*
- *Print out the attached “My Month of Dance at a Glance” calendar to keep your commitments organized and manageable!*



Photo Credit: Rachel Bobek Dancers: Contemporary class 2021-2022, “Cinderella in the City”

“It’s not about being the best, it’s about being better than you were yesterday.”

Refer a Friend Week

Monday, September 19th – Saturday, September 24th

Do you know a child who used to dance or perhaps has never tried it and fears it may be “to late” for them to start? We hope to meet them and introduce them to our way of teaching ballet and other styles! We invite your dancer to bring a friend to any of their dance classes the week of 9/19-9/24! If your child’s friend enrolls in one or more weekly dance classes before October 1st, your family will be credited a \$10 “thank you!” to your Studio Director account. We hope you’ll help us spread the word to grow our NESD family!

How do you determine the appropriate class level for my dancer?

The first three weeks of classes are considered an evaluation period. While rate of progress is unique to each child, most children spend multiple years in each level; we consider the following to decide if a student would benefit from progressing to the next class:

- Growth Mindset and ability to apply constructive corrections
- Classroom etiquette and maturity
- Technical growth consistent with developmental expectations (based on our curriculum provided by American Ballet Theater and NESD Staff)
- Commitment and effort in all NESD classes
- Evident improvement across class foundations in each genre
- Presentation (proper dress code), attendance and positivity

How do I go about signing up for new classes?

Log into your Studio Director account via our website:

<https://app.thestudiodirector.com/newenglandschoolofdance/portal.sd?page=Login>

- Review your dress code and get excited about another amazing year of dance training, growth and fun beginning on **September 6th!**
- Contact nesdoffice@gmail.com with any outstanding questions



Some of the dancers in our Preschool through Advanced levels working hard throughout the summer sessions are pictured above.

A Word from Our Booster Club Families

The NESD Booster Club welcomes everyone to another fabulous year of dance education, competition and performance! The Booster Club is an action-oriented group of parents working together to facilitate and promote the activities of the NESD Performing Company. Throughout the year you will see our dancers and their families participating in various community events like the Goffstown Pumpkin Regatta and a special Nutcracker event. We will also provide many fundraisers that will help support our dancers as they enter regional and national competitions. Fundraisers include our fall flower sales, Balsam sales, spring candy sales, concessions/flower sales and raffles. We thank you in advance for helping to support fellow dancers as they enhance their dance experience with the NESD Performing Company!

If you’d like to support our mission: https://threeriversfundraising.com/fundraiser/nesd-f22?fbclid=IwAR17JckYWAitixlgYa6s1g7rpSKpAHCiFv1_8LJltc639fCryYkvM4KJGcgo

Our dancers will deliver the Mum Plants to you, but orders are due Tuesday, 9/6!

Bulbs will be shipped directly, and we have until 9/28 to place those orders.



My Month of Dance at a Glance



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<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
4	5 <i>Labor Day – Prepare a bag with leotard, tights, dance shoes, a water bottle and bun supplies!</i>	6 <i>Classes begin at NESD! Adults – Join us for Barrelates at noon for a healthy lunch hour break!</i>	7	8	9	10 <i>*Nutcracker & Company Auditions for ages 5+ See our website for exact times and details</i>
11	12	13	14	15	16 <i>Performing Company Kick-Off Party 5-8 PM</i>	17
18	19 <i>Refer a Friend Week (through Saturday)</i>	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

*We hope you'll **add your personal class and rehearsal schedule** to this calendar and any other important dates you may need to keep track of – when we feel organized and prepared we can give our best selves to each day!*

**Nutcracker rehearsal schedules will be emailed and posted in the lobby as soon as final casting is completed and published the week of September 12th. Please read this schedule carefully if you choose to audition for additional roles and note all rehearsals for your parts on this calendar.*