

The Power of Dance

Connection



FEBRUARY 2024

Well, January went by in a flash, and here we are already with just a little over three months left in the 2023-24 season! Things are really picking up in February, with Parent Participation week for our Academy classes, a public event week for our Performance teams, and two competitions for our Stellar and Eclipse teams. And we're not slowing down anytime soon!



Excitement has been building for all our dancers as costumes have been going home and students have been learning more and more of their routines. Keep that excitement going at home by making sure that your dancer is practicing! Music and videos for all performance classes can be found on our website, which is getting a new look soon!

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11	Parent Participation Week!			15	16	17 Acro Target Training
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25 All-STAR CHAMPIONSHIPS	26	27	28 Shepherd's Kids Preschool Camp	29 leap day!		

Coming soon!

LOADING...

POD is sharing the love of dance with our parents and caregivers this month! Your child is encouraged to invite an "important adult" into their classes during the week of February 12-17 for **Parent Observation & Participation Week**. We will invite all parents & caregivers inside the classroom for the last 10 minutes for a performance/demonstration. In some classes, we'll invite our adults in even earlier in order to teach them our stretches, a skill, or maybe even a simple 8-count. Look for an email with more details next week!

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We've been working on something for months now, and we're finally ready for the big reveal of our **new Power of Dance website!** The site will be going live in early February, and we'll be sending previews by email to familiarize our current families with the organization before the launch so that you can find everything you need.

Academy class pictures will be coming up March 11-14, and will take place at the studio. As much as possible, pictures will be during students' regular dance class time. Please put this on your calendar now, and look for more info to come in late February!



Teacher Feature

Ms. Alex Stebane has been teaching at POD since 2017 when she was a student at UWGB. Alex began dancing at the age of three and fell in love with tap. Whether it was nature or nurture, we'll never know, but she was destined to be a dancer, as she was one of TEN people in her family to dance at the same studio growing up!

During the day, "Ms. Stebane" (pronounced *stuh-BAH-nee*) is a second-grade teacher at Oconto Falls Elementary School. At POD, "Ms. Alex" teaches all the tap classes as well as other Academy classes, coaches several All-Star teams, and also works with small groups and soloists. As if that weren't enough, Alex is behind many of the studio's Instagram stories and reels and also designs much of the studio merchandise!

When Alex does go home, she's greeted by her much-loved cat Steve, who was a stray but now hates leaving the house. (I think many of us relate.) For more fun facts, here's a quick "Q & Alex":

What is your favorite style of dance? tap or hip hop

What is your favorite sport other than dance? baseball

Do you have any unique talents? I can break an apple in half with my hands

If I were to get you Valentine's candy, I should buy... chocolate with almonds

Since you wear so many hats at the studio, what is your favorite style of hat?
a beanie, just like the ones we have in the store at POD!



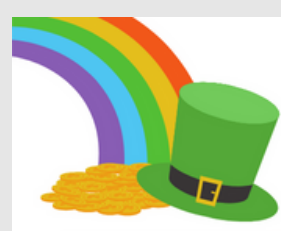
What is Acro Target Training?

If you've been paying attention to the studio calendars, you may have noticed that many of our Saturdays feature "Acro Target Training". This is an exciting new class offering that was first introduced in December. This class runs on select Saturdays from 10:30-11:30am, and is open to any student aged 5th grade and up. Enrollment is on a first-come, first-served basis in order to keep class sizes small (maximum of 8 students) for lots of individual attention.

Students in Acro Target Training can choose the skills THEY want to work on each session. Maybe it's a skill from their class, team or solo routine. Maybe they need more time with the mats and a spotter to perfect something that they've almost got. Or maybe it's a skill they've seen other dancers do, and they would like to learn it just for kicks.



One of the best things about Acro Target Training is that it's a drop-in class, so you don't need to commit to every weekend – choose the dates that work best for you. As a semi-private lesson, it's a bargain as well. A full hour of Target Training is only \$30 – that's half the price of our regular private lessons! Oh, and did we mention it's a ton of fun? If your tween/teen dancer is interested in taking their tumbling skills to the next level, sign them up for a February session before they fill!



MARCH

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24	Studio Closed for Spring Break					30