

Dear DFJ Community,

We sure do miss all of you! We are so thankful for your families, and thankful for our amazing staff who continue to teach and invest in innovative ways of education. Thank you.

We would like to take a moment to update you on the status of where we are headed for the month of May. We feel like we can only take things a month at a time since the government mandates seem so uncertain.

We plan to continue moving forward with teaching our classes on-line for the month of May. In addition we will also continue to move forward, on working towards our show, "The Creation Story." More details will come to the forefront on this, as we monitor what is recommended for the upcoming months.

DFJ NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS:

#1 - Saturday May 16th we will be organizing a DRIVE BY, PICK UP YOUR COSTUME DAY, for those costumes that have arrived. We will be creating a detailed schedule with specific times/specific classes outlined for pick up, of your child's costume. This event will be at both our Bellingham and Lynden Campuses. If you dance at both locations, your costumes will be at our Bellingham Campus. Stay tuned for a detailed schedule, and safety protocols for this drive by event.

#2 - Social Media Picture Day BLAST - Saturday May 16th & Sunday May 17th. Please take pictures of your child in costume in a dance pose, make sure to tag @dancingforjoystudios on instagram or Facebook. We can't wait to see everyone in their costumes!

#3 - We are excited to announce an **On-Line DFJ store**, with sweatshirts, t-shirts, tank tops, hats, tutu dresses and more for sale, and shipped directly to your door! This is a great way to support DFJ and the arts during this uncertain time.

Our store website link is: www.dfjbellingham.com

1. We are also offering a discount code for our new store: "Support2020" which is good for 20% off apparel if you spend more than \$20. This discount is available through May 20th.
2. We are also including a free dfj decal with every purchase.

#4 - As a small token of our appreciation - Dancing For Joy will also be adding a **\$5 credit** to every current (May) dancers DFJ account for the month of June. Thank you for sticking with us through this modified dance education experience.

DFJ Cancelled/Postponed May & Early June Events from our original Timeline:

#1 - May 1st - Ticket Sales (Stay Tuned)

#2 - May 13th - Summer Dance Schedule Release Date & Jubilee Open House (Stay Tuned)

#3 - May 26th - 29th - Lynden Picture week

#4 - May 30th - DFJ Dress Rehearsal

#5 - June 1st-5th - Bellingham Picture Week

Thank you for your continued patronage. If you have any questions please feel free to e-mail us at info@dancing4joy.org. More information regarding the Creation Show, and Summer events will be coming out in May.

Blessings,

Kurt and Maluhia Vander Griend
(Dancing For Joy Owners/Directors)