Welcome TPY,

 Looking forward to a rewarding 2016-17 season with a great group! Please go over this information with your family and return the last page ASAP.

This year Carli will teach Composition/Repertory/Improvisation on Tuesdays from 4:30-6:30pm, starting on August 30. Hilary Freeland will teach Technique/Repertory on Thursdays from 5:30-7:30pm, starting on September 1. Our carryover piece will be *Imprints* by Laura Gorsuch. Guest choreographer(s) have not been selected yet, but TPY will schedule one or two weekend rehearsals for learning new choreography between September and December.

**Tour will include:**

WV State Dance Festival Adjudication is **February 24-26**

Spring Trillium Concert is **March 10-12**

TPY Showcase is **April 9**

WV State Dance Festival is **April 28-30**

Two elder-care performances, dates to be announced

Two public school performances, dates to be announced

**Commitment and Protocol**

* **Classes, rehearsals and performances are mandatory!** Exceptions will be made for illness, injury or serious scheduling conflicts; discussion with teacher is required. The process of building dances is one of interlocking parts. The dance is built by the group as a whole and the other dancers depend on you so attendance is extremely important. Both classes and rehearsals require concentration and focus.
* Please wear dance clothing that is close fitting and comfortable, with bare feet. No street clothes and hair should be pulled back.
* Classes will begin with a brief check-in; an important ritual to share which helps to build trust. Please arrive on time so you can participate in this.

If financial assistance is needed, partial scholarships of up to 50% are available – Applications can be found online at trilliumperformingarts.org or in the Trillium office. **Due August 22**

**Payments**

TPY is partially underwritten by state and local grants, which allows Trillium to keep the total program cost for students well below its actual value, and on top of that, scholarships of up to 50% are readily available through the Trillium Scholarship Fund. It’s precisely because of this, however, that it’s **extremely important** that tuition payments are **made in full and on time**. We’ve already leveraged as much support as we can, and need the assistance from students and their families in a timely fashion in order to keep the program afloat.

Total cost of the program for the year is **$700**, which can be paid in four payments of **$175**, due on or before these dates: **Aug 30**, **Nov 1**, **Jan 31**, and **Mar 28**. If you apply for and receive a scholarship, then the amount due on each of these dates will be the remaining percentage that isn’t covered.

* Total cost for term is **$700,** which breaks down to a mere $6.36/one-hour class. This all-inclusive fee covers:
	+ 60 classes with Hilary
	+ 50 classes with Carli
	+ 1-2 guest choreographer weekends
	+ Costumes for 4 dances
	+ $70 registration fee for WV Dance Festival
	+ Annual registration, insurance, and administration
	+ Includes free admission to the three weekends of Trillium concerts
	+ Free access to rehearsal space for student works
	+ ½ off any additional Trillium Arrive For Five class offerings.

**Schedule**

**Trillium School for the Performing Arts will run in seven 5-week sessions this fall/spring. Dates and times for TPY are as follows**:

 **Tuesdays 4:30-6:30p**  Composition/Repertory/Improvisation

 **Thursdays 5:30-7:30p** 5:30p Technique, 6:30p Repertory

Session 1: Aug 29 – Sep 30

Session 2: Oct 3 – Nov 4

Session 3: Nov 14 – Dec 23

Session 4: Jan 2 – Feb 3

Session 5: Feb 6 – Mar 17 (Week of Mar 6 – 10 off)

Session 6: Mar 20 – Apr 28 (Week of Apr 17 - Apr 21 off)

(Session 7: May 1 – Jun 9) This session is reserved for make-up classes as needed, due to snow or other cancellations. Please keep these dates free for the whole session.

Thank you so much for your talents, trust, willingness and support. If you have any questions, please call **Carli at (304) 536-3694**. For more info, call the office at (304) 645-3003.

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Please sign this page and mail or bring to the office. There is a 24-hour drop slot to the right of the door if the office is closed.

**Please save the above information!**

I have read and understand the commitment I am making to Trillium Performing Youth

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\*Parent assistance is need to transport students on tour, including the two trips to Charleston for the WV Dance Festival (dates on page one). Please indicate below if we can call on you for assistance.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I am willing to help with transportation.

\_\_\_\_\_ I cannot help with transport, so please let me know of other needs for volunteers.