

# FLORIDA JAMMERS COMPETITION TEAM UPDATES

## FEBRUARY 18TH, 2010

Hi everyone! We are approaching that busy time of year again! It is time to start preparing for the spring competitions and recital.

### Uniforms:

A billing envelope is going home tonight for uniforms. Please return your payment as soon as possible. The sooner we get the payment in, the sooner we can get everything ordered, and the sooner your daughter will get her uniform. Returning Advanced JAM and Middle School students who already own the black logo hoodie and black logo capris need to try them on as soon as possible (if you haven't already). If they still fit, then you only need to pay for the new shirt (Advanced JAM is also getting a white mask/gloves for their hip hop routine). Please indicate on your envelope if everything is still good from last year. If something does not fit, you need to tell Tiffany *immediately* so we can get your daughter re-sized and a new hoodie and capris can be ordered.

### Competition Information

Both of our Thursday night classes ("Advanced JAM" and "Middle School") will be attending TWO competitions this year. We have never attended these competition venues before so we are very excited to try something new! On the other hand, we also have no idea what to expect, so please have patience with us as we set sail into uncharted territories.

Here are the two competitions that we are committing to for this year:

April 9<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup> - The Power of Dance – Orlando, FL \*\*This competition will be held at Lymon High School in Longwood, which is in northern Orlando. We don't know for sure which day we will be performing, but it will most likely be on Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup>. We will know more when we get closer to this date. What's cool about this competition is that we will be dancing for charity (The American Cancer Society in memory of Donna). To learn more about this competition check out: [www.thepowerofdance.net](http://www.thepowerofdance.net)

May 1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> – Starbound National Talent Competition – Tampa, FL \*\*This competition will be held at Jefferson High School. Again, we are not sure the exact date that we will be performing until we get closer

to May, but we expect to perform on Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. To read more about Starbound, go to: [www.starbound.net](http://www.starbound.net)

**\*\* The entry fees for both competitions are \$28.00 per girl per routine. The girls will be performing 2 routines at each competition (a hip hop and a pom pom). So you're looking at \$56.00 per competition (\$112.00 total). If these fees sound like a lot, please read about the fundraising opportunities down below. These entry fees are actually "average" compared with other competitions out there. Keep in mind, typically the higher the entry fees the greater the rewards for the performers (plus, remember that our entry fees will support ACS in April). The Power of Dance coordinator told me today that each girl gets a souvenir trophy! ☺**

**\*\*\*More detailed competition information will be given out as we get closer to the dates such as performance times, directions, etc).**

**Remember, as a member of this class, attendance at competitions is mandatory (as discussed at the beginning of the year). Before we can get officially entered in the competitions, we will need some stuff from you. First, we need to have all the competition fees in our possession prior to submitting our entries. Secondly, the competitions require a waiver to be signed by a parent/guardian. So be looking for a clipboard to be passed around before/after class. By signing the release, you are also committing to attending the competition and we will expect you to be present. It hurts the team any time there is someone missing so please make every effort to attend! If you need a ride, try carpooling! If you don't know who to contact about carpool, please contact Tiffany and she will help you find someone.**

### **Fundraising**

**Competition/recital/uniform fees can start to add up this time of year. Let's also remember that there will be one more lesson tuition envelope that goes home the second week in March (\$66 – April and May will be combined). To help with the competition fees, we are once again doing the M&M fundraiser (see information flyer to be sent home Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>). To help with the recital fees, a portion of the Ladies JAM tuition will go into a special fund. Currently the recital fee is set to be \$40.00. So, let's promote Ladies JAM to get that fee dropped down even lower! If you don't know what Ladies JAM is, then you need to talk to your Jammer about how you can get involved!**

**Ok, that's about it! We are so excited to get started with these competitions! The girls have worked so hard and have earned this time to shine!**

**Questions? Give Tiffany a call at 504-8861 or email: [FLJammers@aol.com](mailto:FLJammers@aol.com) As always, we will be posting all important information on our website: [www.floridajammers.com](http://www.floridajammers.com)**