## CONGRATULATIONS 2021-20221

## WOW! WE FINALLY ARE MEETING!!!

We are very excited to start our NEW Team! We have 30 on Varsity and 12 on JV. This is going to be another AMAZING YEAR! We are thrilled to have a NORMAL year of Football Season attending al Varsity games and more JV games, another great contest season with both Varsity and JV and an AWSOME TRIP for Varsity to wrap up the year! This letter contains important information, and we will need you to pay attention to all the details. I recommend keeping up with a planner NOW so that you can stay organized. As always continue to check our website AND read all REMINDS!

REGISTER for reminders through REMIND101.

VARSITY Send @kpss21 to 81010

JV Send @kpstarsjv to 81010

Parents Send @kphssspo2 to 81010. Parents are welcome to join the team one however they may not understand everything that is being said. THESE codes are NEW for EVERYONE!! FOLLOW us on Twitter & Instagram! @KParkSilvies

**Communication-** It is my job to not only teach these individuals to dance as a team, but to also stress the importance of growing independently. I am prepping our team for college life, and with that; I encourage them to handle their own issues, problems and questions. It is my philosophy that if I have not heard from the student first, then I am hesitant to speak with the parent... I want them to know and understand that they are fully capable of handling their own business and to be able to come to us.

Dance Teams in general can be overwhelming. We typically tell our NEW Parents, you may know everything your 2<sup>nd</sup> year: ). We do have a Parent Packet that will go out to help you navigate through the year. But until then, our Veteran Parents are incredible and always willing to help! Same with our returning dance team members.

We have NOT created Companies yet so until then please communicate through our Colonel and/or President. Once companies are assigned communication will come from your officer.

Colonel

President

Charlee Poulin 281-883-8891

Dange Montes 832-977-2890

District Physicals—By June 1, 2021 I will need a physical and emergency card on file. These are MANDATORY through the district before you can participate as a Silver Star. The FINE ARTS physical is available on our Team website under handouts. Demerits will be given if these are not in my possession by June 1, 2021. Additionally, you will need to fill out all the paperwork on <a href="https://www.rankonesport.com">www.rankonesport.com</a>. I will check on June 1, 2021 for all cleared physicals. If you don't hear from me this summer, then you are good to go. I will only reach out to those that are missing paperwork or did not get cleared by the trainer.

Dance Fantastic-Vendor Day (practice clothes): VENDOR DAY is May 19<sup>th</sup>. You will need to be prepared to pay HALF of your order to Dance Fantastic that day. You may pay by credit card or check. The balance will need to be paid by June 30<sup>th</sup>. You will MAIL this to them. Items with an \* mean they are items from



last year. 2021 SENIORS may set up items in the dance room that day to sell items to anyone wanting to purchase them.

Dance Fantastic Balance due to them (10890 FM 830 Willis, TX 77318) You can call for your balance if you don't know it...936.539.5255

**Equipment Orders-** We will do this as separate station on Vendor Day. Order form will be sent home for parent signatures and returned the following day at Installation. Orders will be checked by Ms. Vaughn or Mrs. Austin & a copy sent home on May 25th for payment by June 1st.

Installation May 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM in the Auditorium: At least 1 Parent MUST attend. Rookies ALL white, old members ALL black, Old Seniors wear black & white, and 4-year Members wear black & white with a splash of color. Parents need to be prepared to pay their SSPO membership dues (\$100.00). Group photos will be taken after and then we will move into the Black Box for cake and punch.

Installation Scrip must be filled out here (sending out in Remind): <a href="https://forms.gle/dFfrTc24zxq3sFFNA">https://forms.gle/dFfrTc24zxq3sFFNA</a>
Be sure to really think about what you want said in front of parents. You want to sound excited, fun yet professional!

Summer Hours: Kingwood, Atascocita & Houston offer a TON of classes which would benefit our dancers. Each Dancer needs to have at LEAST 10 outside dance hours in either Ballet or Technique by our 1st Day of School. These classes can be taken through any studio, online classes, outside workshops, etc. Please get approval prior to attending if you are questioning the class. It needs to be an actual dance class in our styles. Do NOT get all hours in 1 style, you will not grow as a dancer. Print the "Dance Hours" report on our Team website under Handouts. If you cannot afford classes or there are issues, please contact me sooner than later so we can work something out.

We have a **CHALLENGE** for our team this year to **LEVEL UP** in Dance Hours! We should never stop learning and growing! We are challenging you to take as many hours as possible (and keep up with them)

Base Level-10 hours (ballet or technique)

Silver Level-15

Gold Level-20

NEXT LEVEL- 25 \*Receives a Limited Edition NEXT LEVEL Technique Tank!

Line Camp July 20-22. This year we are attending NDA at Houston City Place Marriott! We will be staying overnight in the hotel! The schedule is packed with workshops, team building and a final day performance competition. After the camp we will go out for a FUN Activity and lunch. Transportation will be provided.

## Rookie & Team Solos/Ensembles-

Music submissions can be completed here(sending out in Remind): <a href="https://forms.gle/4qGpqBLsjedqA4AN9">https://forms.gle/4qGpqBLsjedqA4AN9</a> These are first come first serve and I do not go by seniority. If you know your song, go ahead and submit it. If you do not hear from me, your song has been approved. I will only reach out to those whose songs are duplicated and/or did not get approved. ALL Rookies will perform a solo for a grade in December and may compete it at the MDDTT contest that we host. The scores from this contest will allow 1 or 2 to take their solo to 1 other team contest. Varsity has the option to take solos to every contest. Individuals are responsible for choreography, costumes, props and solo fees. Time Limit-1:30-2:00 MAX (.05 sec grace period). Sophomores & Juniors if you are planning on trying out for Military Officer for the 2022-2023 year, you must take your solo to 2 contests. If you have questions, ASK before you start!

Money Due Dates: Any checks should your dancer's name in the memo & what it is for.

What	Amount	Due Date	Checks made to
Dance Fantastic	Depends on Individual	May 19th	Credit Card info to
Practice Wear	Est. New \$376/JV \$252		Dance Fantastic
	Est Old \$100/JV \$65		
SSPO Dues	\$100.00	May 20th	SSPO
Line Camp	\$400.00		
Equipment	Est. New \$450	June 1st	SSPO
	Est. Old \$100!!! (except		
	Seniors & new officers)		
Trip Deposit	\$200	June 1 <sup>st</sup>	SSPO
Dance Fantastic	Depends on individual	June 30 <sup>th</sup>	Credit Card info to
Practice Wear			Dance Fantastic
SSPO Yearly Fee	Varsity	15 <sup>th</sup> of each month	SSPO
	JV	July-January	
Team Shoes	Est. \$90	Have by Team Camp	Order on your own
SS Act. Acct Dues	\$80	May 18 <sup>th</sup>	KPHS-Dance
			Dancer name in memo
Contest Equipment	TBD	January 2022	SSPO

**Calendars:** Please continue to check the website for updates under Silver Star news! They will be posted there and handed out ASAP. Take as many copies as needed! June & August Coming Soon!

**Dog Wash:** We have our 1st Team Dog Wash on SUNDAY, May 23rd, 10:30–4:30 (you work half) Everyone works and we will discuss responsibilities next week. We will need everyone to have 3 DOGS attend as your customer to do YOUR part.

Officer Phone Numbers: Be sure to follow these rules before calling: Did Ms. Vaughn provide me the answer to my question already? Could my answer be on the website or an email? Call a Veteran Officer. Do not call after 9PM. Always leave a name and number when leaving a message. Be polite and say thank you! Please only call to get updates or any announcements you may have missed. REMEMBER, all of this is your responsibility, you shouldn't have your parents call for you. They are not going to want to talk to a kid and will more than likely will call a parent which MAY not know the information needed. Take responsibility.

AGAIN, CONGRATULATIONS and WELCOME to the Silver Star Family! As we wrap up our School Year of COVID, know that Mrs. Austin and I are truly excited for the 2021–2022 year! We are looking forward to having a NORMAL start to our year and get back to all of our traditions! We are excited for all of our Old Rookies to become BIGS to our excited group of new members. We can't wait to Officer Camp and get everyone in place for an INCREDIBLE YEAR! If anything comes up, please send me an email and I will get back with you ASAP.

NEXT PRACTICE IS MAY 18th! Wear all black & bring Jazz Shoes!

Welcome to the Family, Ms. Vaughn & Mrs. Austin

## Let's make this year GREAT YEAR!