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Dear Parents and Dancers,

Attached you will find all the information you need to enroll for the 2009/10 school year. As in past years, we encourage returning students to take advantage of priority registration by mail. In order to qualify, you must be an active student (as of June 2009) and have no outstanding balance on your account. You may mail (or drop off) your registration card beginning on June 8<sup>th</sup>. All registrations will be processed in random order, based on the date received at our main office. We will call you only if you **don't** get your first choice day/time. The deadline for priority registration is Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. We will conduct in-person registration for new students (and returning students that opt not to register by mail) on Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at our main studio. After June 23<sup>rd</sup>, all registration is open and ongoing, on a space-available basis. Please be certain to read the general information on the reverse side of this letter for complete details.

We are extremely pleased to announce that in light of the current economic climate, we have held the line and are not increasing tuition for the second consecutive year. We recognize the financial struggles that many families are facing. As a non profit organization, our primary mission is to enhance the quality of life in our community through the performing arts; and to offer individuals the opportunity for personal growth through participation in our programs. We are very proud to offer high quality classes at extremely competitive prices. We thank all of you that are able to support us through our annual Direct Appeal campaign and we hope that we may continue to rely on your generosity.

Due to the large number of motivated and driven students that wish to participate in the Youth Company, we have expanded our Youth Company format. We will now have five different levels of Youth Company! If your child is at the Ballet 2 or higher level and is interested in making a strong commitment to ballet, please consider joining the Youth Company. Benefits of Youth Company participation are outlined in this packet; if you have any questions, do not hesitate to call and chat with Virginia. The Stapleton School is unique in that we continuously analyze the needs of our student body and adapt our programs to meet their needs.

As an organization that strives to help mold responsible leaders for the next generation, we are also diligently finding ways to improve efficiency and reduce our impact on the environment. To that end, we encourage you to consider going "green" with us by signing up for paperless billing. You will receive all invoices and statements via email, helping us to reduce our use of paper, postage, and printing. Indicate your willingness to "go green" on your registration card.

We look forward to an exciting year ahead! We welcome back old friends and extend a warm welcome to those new to the Stapleton family. We take great pride in fostering personal growth and development through dance in a supportive, positive, and inclusive environment.

Sincerely,