

Hi PAW Fam!

Thank you for all of the lovely messages over the past few days. I am so happy that you and your children are happy. Every student worked so hard—overcoming myriad personal circumstances—to reach the finish line this year. I want every, single child to know that I see them and I love them, dearly.

I have an incredible group of good humans at my side, supporting the studio's mission and taking care of your kids. They've helped me keep the doors open through an immensely difficult period. They participated in developing new policies & procedures. They learned their way around new technology requirements. They rose to the challenge of creating lessons & choreography suitable for social distancing within 6-foot squares, with students learning in-studio and remotely (often both, sometimes switching back & forth). They pitched-in wherever needed, and without a single complaint. They prioritized the physical & emotional well-being of every child, before all else. George, Jacquie, Michelle, Sophie, Alyssa, Marisa, Corri, Sierra and Calvin, I am grateful for you.

When we figured out how to reopen and continue our work after a 7-month shutdown, there were still so many unknowns tied to the pandemic. Ending this season without any transmission of the virus among our staff & students was the best possible outcome. Thank you, everyone, for helping our team make that happen. As the world opens up and government mandates relax, we will still do what we feel is right to keep our kiddos & team protected.

That said, there is so much in store for the upcoming 10th Anniversary of our Youth Performance Programs in Jersey City! Levels are returning; we're adding more classes; cooking-up plans to (safely) bring back our Company Kids; as well as adding a Competitive Team for intensive dancers. 2021-22 is looking bright, and we got here with your support.

Congratulations, once more, to all of our students. We are so impressed with how you have handled this difficult year, and hope you are proud.

Sincerely,

'Miss' Jaime