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PLEASE BRING YOUR CHILD TO THE BATHROOM BEFORE CLASS!

ALSO, PLEASE NOTE ON PAGE 2 OF THE STUDENT HANDBOOK THAT STUDENTS SHOULD NOT BE DROPPED OFF MORE THAN 15 MINUTES BEFORE CLASS!

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:

- **OCTOBER 24TH – 30TH:**
HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTIES DURING DANCE CLASS!
- **OCTOBER 31ST:** NO CLASS!
- **NOVEMBER 1ST:**
CLASSES RESUME! RECITAL FEES DUE IN FULL!
- **NOVEMBER 19TH – 23RD:**
NO CLASS! HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

PROFESSIONAL DANCE TIPS:

- * ALWAYS REMEMBER TO KEEP A GOOD PERSONAL HYGIENE! REMEMBER TO SHOWER REGULARLY, ALWAYS WEAR DEODORANT, WASH HAIR!
- * TRY TO EAT HEALTHY SNACKS SUCH AS FRUIT, VEGETABLES, ETC.!
- * ALWAYS WEAR THE CORRECT ATTIRE, SUCH AS LEOTARDS AND DANCE STYLE CLOTHES! ALSO DON'T FORGET TO HAVE YOUR HAIR PULLED BACK AND OUT OF YOUR FACE!

Teacher Spotlight

MRS. CARRIE YELVERTON



Mrs. Carrie Todd Yelverton (40 years old)

Wife, Mother, Dance Instructor

Hi Everyone! My name is Carrie Yelverton and I'm so excited to be here at MMDA. God brought me to teach for Molly in 2016 and back to my passion on teaching dance. This was after much prayer and closing my dance studio in 2013 to become a stay at home mother. I have a wonderful husband of 7 years, Eric Yelverton. We are blessed to have 2 absolutely beautiful daughters: Aubrey, 11 (step-daughter) and Camryn, 5.

I have had two passions/personal ministries throughout my life so far: in some capacity my entire life included dance and being a voice for anyone with special needs. I was blessed to be a teacher's aide for pre-k special needs and integrated pre-k for many years at Northwestern Elementary in Zachary. I had integrated classes at my former dance studio, Carrie's 5678 Dance.

I am extremely grateful to God to have had my dreams come true in my first love and chosen profession, dance. My parents, now my guardian angels, have been my biggest supporters and cheerleaders. I have 35 years' dance experience. This includes 19 years as a professional choreographer/dance instructor. I have won numerous honors and awards. I began my love of dance at age 3 at Kim's Dance Studio. Mrs. Kim Arceneaux and Tammy Tarver brought out the performer in me. Angie Defrances, the co-owner of Defrances Academy of Dance as well as choreographer of my high school dance team, cleaned me up technically. I am forever grateful to these amazing dance educators! I was a 4 year member of the "Demon Dazzler Dance Line," the official jazz dance team for Northwestern University and the Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band. I performed with the theater department in numerous productions and plays. I was an American All Star staff member traveling throughout the United States. I choreographed and instructed junior high, high school, and collegiate dance teams. I was selected by the NFL to be a stage performer for Superbowls XXXII and XXXIII as well as an assistant choreographer for the pre-game shows. I was appointed by Leslie Fitzmorris, the founder and former owner/president of American All Star, to be a member of the NFL production staff. I was invited to dance in Puerto Rico as a reward for being an Outstanding Instructor for American All Star. I was a stage performer and instructional staff member for the NFL Cheerleading experience, which was featured on MTV. I have had the honor of being selected as a backup dancer for performers such as the Beach Boys (Superbowl XXXII), Kiss (Superbowl XXXIII) and country singer Trini Triggs for a Children's Miracle Network concert. I have been so blessed to have choreographed many award winning dance routines, including choreography awards. I was also an adjudicator/tryout judge for many dance and cheer teams at every level. I was blessed to have many successful auditions for Disney World, including being chosen to dance in Disney's Electric Light Parade. My height was a challenge with Disney due to type casting (I'm only 5'1 lol!). By sharing this information, I want your children to know that their dreams can come true and never give up on their dream!!!

I am also a member of LA Dance Alliance. It supports the love of dance, in all dance forms, and dance educators. As long as God calls me to teach, I will always thrive to be the best dance educator I can be.

Of all the opportunities and honors God has blessed me with, the biggest honor and reward was owning Carrie's 5678 Dance for 7 years. Being given the opportunity to love children and help foster their love of dance is truly a blessing that God has continuously made a part of my life. I am so blessed to be here at MMDA. It is truly a wonderful place to be! I am so blessed to be able to teach so many of my former dance students/dance families again here at MMDA. Molly is truly one of the most precious souls and dance educators I have ever met. I look forward to being a part of her team for a long time as well as a cheerleader for your children! One final dream I have is currently coming true. Molly and I have created the Butterfly Program for our special needs babies! My heart is overflowing with love for all of my babies!