

# St. Sophia Dance Group

## Information & Sign Ups 2021-2022

We are so happy to let our community know that the St. Sophia Dance Group has returned after such a long absence. We are excited to get back to enriching our youth to the beautiful culture of Greek dancing.

Sign ups are now up and running. Please sign your child/ren up using the attached Google Form below. Dance group dues are \$15 per child. Payment must be submitted to either the dance group mailbox in the church office, handed to Diane Cohen, Maria Pidgeon, Panorea Miszko, or any dance group teacher. Cash or checks are accepted. If you are submitting cash, please put it in an envelope with the parent's name and child's name on it. Checks should be made payable to "St. Sophia." If you would like to mail in your payment, you may mail it to the church office "Attention Dance Group" OR mail it directly to Diane Cohen at 117 N. Springhurst Drive, East Greenbush, NY 12061.

We will also be using the Remind App again as a tool of communication. At the bottom of the attached Google Form is the code to join our Remind class. Please be sure to download the app and use the code @dkd4khe to join our class!

The attendance policy remains in effect and includes the mandatory participation and attendance in our Sunday School, Choir or Altar. Church attendance on Sunday is the most important facet of our religious welfare and life. We acknowledge and realize how hectic our lives are during the week, and in an effort to allow for a positive Christian Orthodox education, we are asking for your child(ren) to enroll and become a part of this religious experience. Our goal is to not only embrace our culture, but our Christian faith as a Community.

Social distancing regulations will be in effect during rehearsals:

- Masks are required by all members including teachers.
- Dancers will be 3 feet apart.
- Rehearsals can be held outside, weather permitting.
- No snacks

I would like to welcome Bessie Sokaris to our team of teachers this year. Bessie will join the Sophomore Group. It is our pleasure to have her talent and dependability with our children! Bessie will shadow Maria Pidgeon this year, as Maria phases out as a teacher and steps into the Director position. We are all looking forward to these changes.

### **Here are the teachers and rehearsal schedules for this season:**

**Senior Group:** Mary Googas, Maria Daga, Erika Koutelis & Nicole Kordas

- Rehearsals will be on Saturdays at 11:30 in the gym (or outside)

**Junior Group:** Zoe Bousbouras

- Rehearsals will be on Sundays during coffee hour in the gym (or outside)

**Sophomore Group:** Maria Pidgeon & Bessie Sokaris

- Rehearsals will be on Sundays during coffee hour in the preschool room (or outside)

**Freshmen Group:** Maria Ziamandanis & Barbara Rustin

- Rehearsals will be on Sundays during coffee hour in the cultural room (or outside)

Rehearsals will begin in late October. We are looking forward to a fabulous season. If you have any further questions, please e-mail me at [stsophiadancers@gmail.com](mailto:stsophiadancers@gmail.com).

Thank you,  
Diane Cohen

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