June 15, 2018

Mandelstam DANCE families...

It is with sadness & joy that Spencer & I announce that we will no longer be leading *Mandelstam DANCE*. We thank you for your belief and support during our two years as the Co-Directors of *Mandelstam DANCE*. Thank you for sharing your beautiful children, whom we love very much, with us. They have stolen our hearts, been the biggest reward and are the hardest part of our having to say goodbye.

Spencer & I will be relocating to Houston, TX to become a part of the Artistic Team at the esteemed *Vitacca Dance / Vitacca Vocational School for Dance* for the 2018-19 season. Spencer has accepted the position as Vitacca's *Ballet Master* at their Woodlands location and I have accepted the position of *Professional Program Principal* of Vitacca's Montrose location. This opportunity will allow us to return to our dance family in Houston, TX, where we can continue our work with pre-professional young artists.

Spencer & I desire that the spirit & our vision for *Mandelstam DANCE* continue in our absence. We want a program that will cultivate, create & train well-rounded young artists with love. We're currently negotiating with prospects for new leadership to maintain the quality of our program at *Mandelstam DANCE*. Although this transition is not guaranteed, we, as well as, Mrs. Magdalena Maury, TMS's *Cultural Triad Liaison & Ballet Teacher*, plan to remain artistic advisors to any new Director(s).

Should you have any questions regarding our departure/transition, please do not hesitate to email us or call us at *Mandelstam DANCE*. Spencer & I will remain in Miami through the completion of TERM C on June 28th. Again, we are incredibly grateful for the support, trust and belief you have shown us and our Faculty. Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to train your young artists. GRATITUDE for making our past two years at *Mandelstam DANCE* an absolutely beautiful experience.

We invite one & all to please join us at Mandelstam DANCE on Sunday, June 24 at 1:30PM to say hello, chat and hug! If you are able, we would love to see all of you at that time.

All of our love always, Andrea & Spencer Co-Directors, *Mandelstam DANCE*