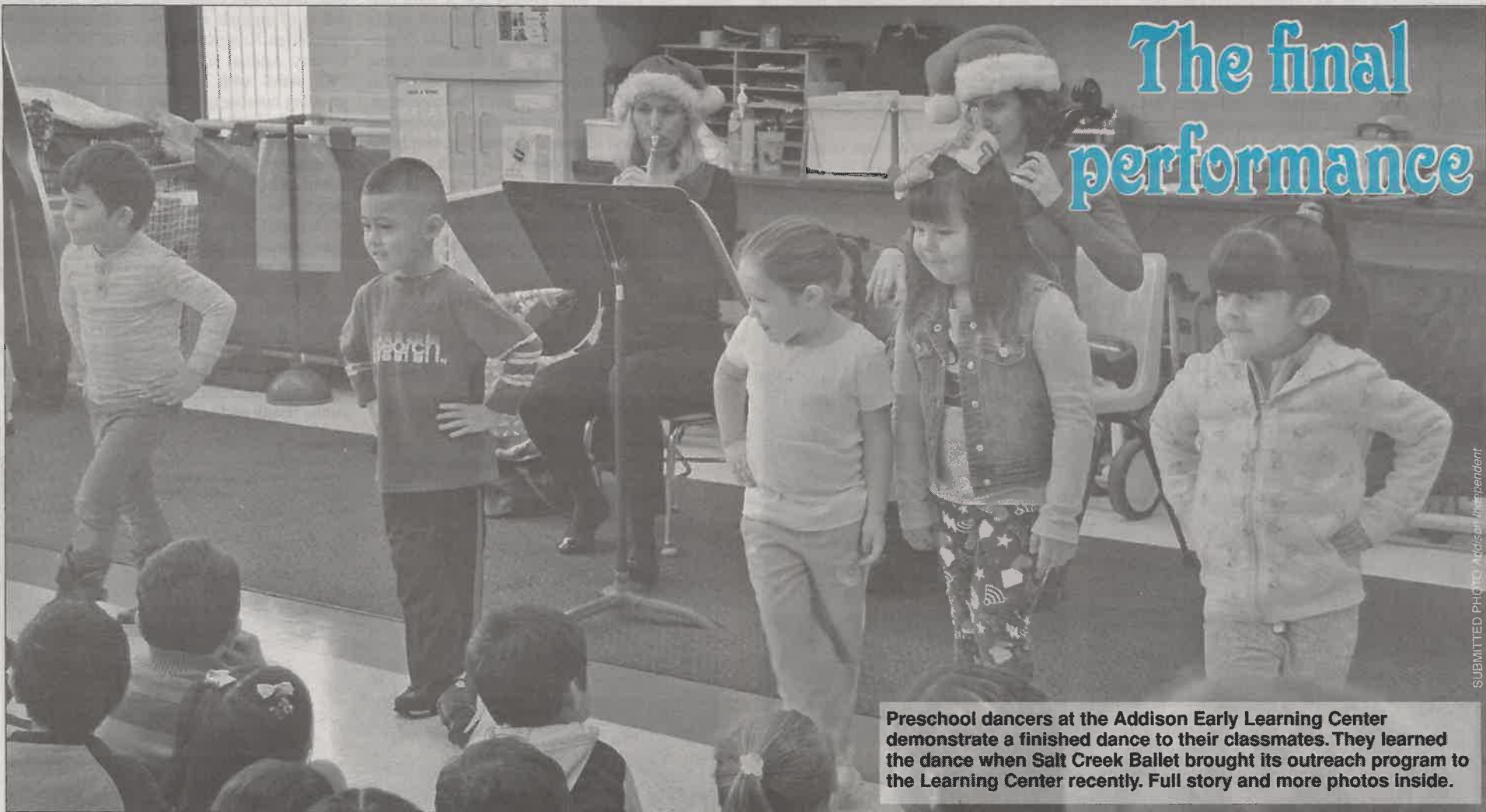


The final performance



Preschool dancers at the Addison Early Learning Center demonstrate a finished dance to their classmates. They learned the dance when Salt Creek Ballet brought its outreach program to the Learning Center recently. Full story and more photos inside.

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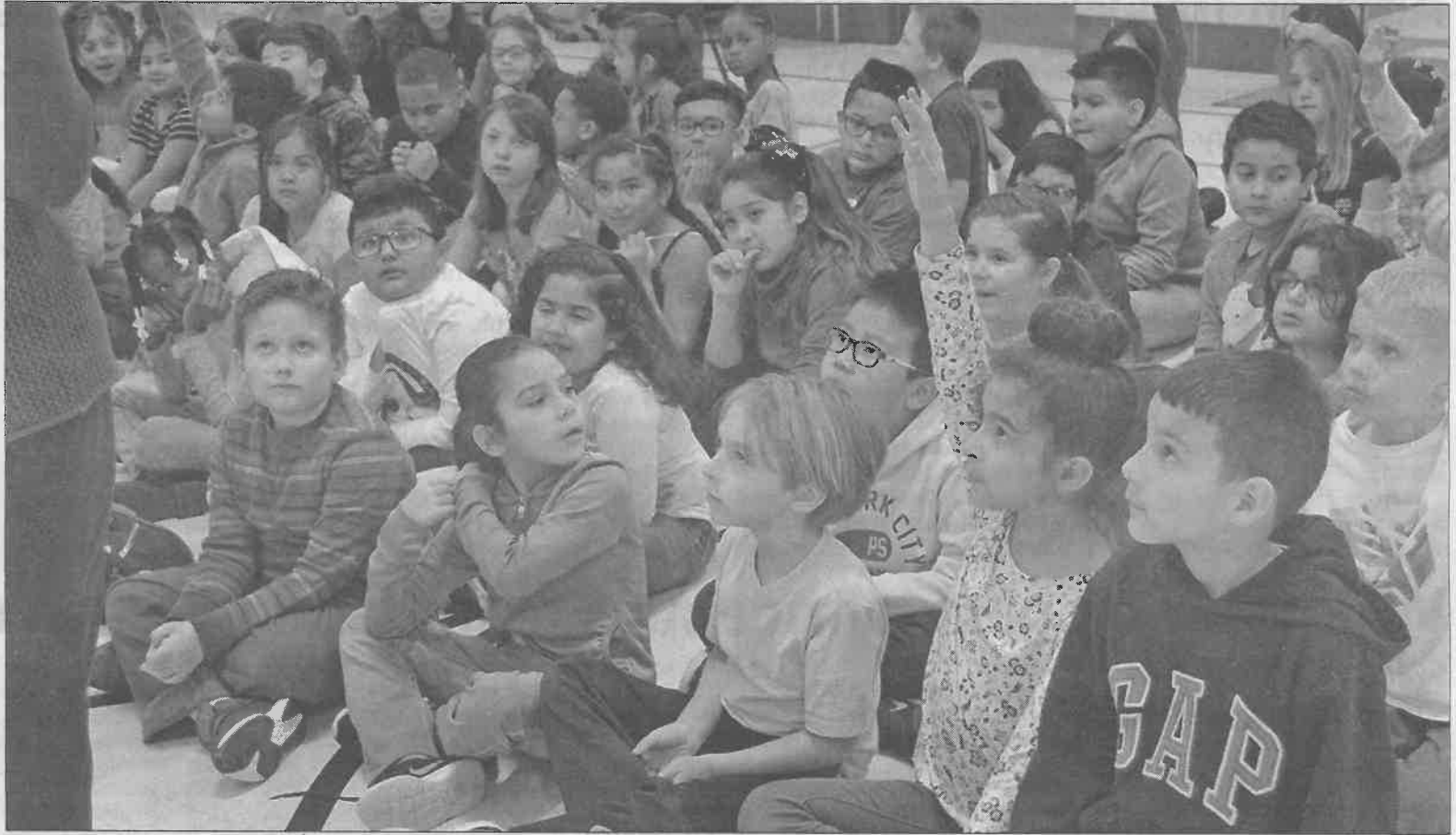
District 4 welcomes Salt Creek Ballet Outreach program

Students at all eight elementary schools in Addison School District 4 had the opportunity to learn about orchestral music, when the Salt Creek Ballet (SCB) brought its Orchestra Outreach program to Addison recently.

Kelly Stokes, the Community Engagement Coordinator for SCB introduced the students to cellist Sara Sitzer and French horn player Kelly Langenberg who, in turn, shared information about their instruments—including how they produce sound and what materials they're made of.

They spoke to the students about music composition and how music can be used to tell a story or set a mood, before working with the students to compose a short piece of music. Stokes then talked with the students about Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker Suite and demonstrated some ballet movements before teaching them a brief dance routine. The musicians played while the students danced.

This program has been held at Stone School for the past two years. A grant from the JCS Fund of the DuPage Foundation provided funding for the program so that all District 4 elementary students could participate.



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Students at Ardmore School shared what they knew about the story of *The Nutcracker*, with members of the Salt Creek Ballet Orchestra Outreach program.

Students at Stone School practice their dance moves, including the arabesque, when the Salt Creek Ballet brought its Orchestra Outreach program to Addison recently.



At Ardmore School, Kelly Langenberg from the Salt Creek Ballet Orchestra Outreach program demonstrates to students how different musical sounds are produced—even without an 'official' instrument.