

ENCORE DANCE STUDIO

RECITAL GUIDELINES

Recitals are to help build self-confidence and esteem. Dancers have the opportunity to share their talents at two recitals in order to accommodate everyone's friends and families. Each class works together for months as a team to prepare for this moment. **It is important that your child be present at the dress rehearsal and both recitals so that no team is being let down.** Please remember that these are children performing. Your thoughtfulness and consideration is appreciated during the show. Dancers have worked very hard all year to learn their new dance routines. Please help to cheer them on and show your support!!

Recital & Dress Rehearsal is held at the E.L Fox Auditorium 21 Meyer Dr., Guelph.

TIMES

Dress rehearsal begins promptly - please check the schedule for your child's scheduled time. Dancers need to be dressed and ready to perform 15 minutes prior to their scheduled time.

RECITALS ON FRIDAY JUNE 1st AT 6:30pm AND SATURDAY JUNE 2nd 2pm – DOORS TO THE VENUE OPEN 45 MINS BEFORE EACH SHOW – this includes dancers and parents. Only staff will be able to come in early.

All dancers perform in both recitals.

If your child is performing in the first half of the program (check program in recital lobby), they must be dressed and ready to dance, seated in their designated area in the cafeteria no later than 6:10pm (for the Friday show) and no later than 1:40pm (for the Saturday show). The Friday show begins at 6:30pm, Saturday show begins at 2pm. If they are not performing in the second half, please leave them in the café for the second half of the show. **ALL DANCERS MUST BE BACK IN THE CAFÉ TO BE ABLE TO COME ON STAGE FOR FINALE.** Any dancer that is not in the café when we are lining up for finale may miss their change to go on stage for this.

If your child is performing in the second half only, they may sit with you in the audience provided that there are enough seats available, for the first half. As soon as intermission begins, students must go immediately to their designated area in the cafeteria. Students should be dressed and ready to perform prior to intermission, but should have a cover-up of some sort on in the theatre.

**** Dress rehearsal and recitals will run on schedule. Please do not be late. We cannot hold the show for you.**

DRESS REHEARSAL

Is a closed rehearsal. Sorry, grandparents, extended family and friends are not invited to this.

Please do not sit at the front of the stage as teachers need a clear view of the stage. As well, the first two rows in the centre isle will be blocked off. Please do not sit in this area.

CHANGEROOMS

For dress rehearsal, if you need to change your dancer, you will have to use the washrooms. For the shows, there is a Staff Cafe down the hallway beside the regular cafe that will be used for the girls. If your child is only in one routine, we ask that you come to the theatre already dressed and ready to avoid overcrowding. Moms only will be allowed in this change room. If dads need to change their dancer, there is a gender neutral washroom that can be used.

HAIR- GIRLS

All Tots, Beginner and novice classes – Low Bun with hair slicked back.

All Jr and Teen dancers – Low ponytail with side part over left eye over to right.

All Jr and teen ballerinas – Low bun with side part over left eye over to right.

Acro I and II – Low bun with side part over left eye over to right.

Please use gel and hairspray to ensure a clean tidy look on stage.

COSTUMES

Costumes are to be worn to dress rehearsal and both recitals. Please make sure

your child's name is inside all costume pieces and shoes.

***No underwear under any tights (yes the audience will see it)!**

***Please remove all nail polish & personal jewelry**

***Please make sure ALL hairpieces are bobby pinned to ensure nothing falls off on stage.**

Tights – Are not provided for you. If your dancer needs tights (See below list) Inspirations Dancewear carries all of your dancer's needs and is located in Waterloo on St Leger St.

Ballet (all levels) - Footed Ballerina Pink (Inspirations Brand).

Tap – No tights, seamless underwear can be worn.

Beginner Acro – Convertable Beige tights (Inspirations Brand).

Jazz / Acro – No tights, seamless underwear can be worn.

Hip Hop - White Socks (will be provided with costume).

Shoes –

All recreational jazz/lyrical dancers are to wear beige footundeez or dancepaws.

All ballet dancers are to wear pink ballet slippers.

All tappers are to wear black tap shoes.

All Acro dancers are to have bare feet.

All hip hop dancers are to wear white INDOOR ONLY runners.

***No personal jewelry, no gum (for safety reasons), please have pink elastic sewn on ballet slippers.**

MAKE-UP

Make up is needed on stage to make the dancer's facial features visible under the very bright lights. Please apply eye shadow (light, neutral colours only – no blues or purples), red lipstick, black eyeliner, black mascara or false eyelashes) and blush.

THEATRE ETIQUETTE AND GUIDELINES

- No food or drink allowed in the auditorium.
- No smoking in the building or outside the front doors.
- Ushers will only open doors between dances while there is applause.
- Please do not get out of your seat while dancers are performing.

- No flash photography.
- **Please take your child to the washroom before leaving them in the cafeteria.**
- If your child has a costume change to make, please come back to the cafe to help them change. We do not change your dancers for you.
- Please do not pick up your children until after the finale has finished (there is one finale at the end of the show).
- Tickets are sold for the performance on a general seating basis – no reserved seating.
- Dancers performing in the show do not require a ticket.
- Recital will be video taped – DVD's available for purchase (see attached order form).

SING IN/OUT

Parents/guardians will sign in and out their dancer. **THE GUARDIAN SIGNING IN THE DANCER WILL BE ABLE TO SIGN OUT THE DANCER.** There are **NO** exceptions to this. This is for the safety of your children. No parent will be able to enter the café without signing in/out their dancer.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS

Parent volunteers are needed to help behind the scenes. If you volunteer to help out for one of the shows, you will be given a free ticket for the other show. During the show that you are volunteering, you will be asked to stay for the entire duration of the show. Please sign up in the studio lobby if you can help out for one show.