

2011 Recital FYI

Since many of you are new to the studio this year, I'd like to get some important info an FAQ's out to you prior to the show.

As you all know, our recital will take place at Norwin Middle School on June 18 at 3:00pm. The address to NMS is 10890 Mockingbird Dr. North Huntingon, 15642, for those of you who may not know where it is. Dress Rehearsal will begin promptly at 6:00pm on Friday, June 17. Dress Rehearsal is just that; DRESS rehearsal. Students must have everything as they will for the actual show. All hair, make up, tights, shoes, etc are listed on our website, as well as the studio bulletin board. If you are still in need of tights/shoes, you can purchase these items at any of the specialty dance stores (Dancer's Closet-Gbg, or Murrysville, Performer's Corner-White Oak). You can also order from the online sites. If you order from Discount Dance Supply, you can use our studio code for a discount. There are studio code forms at the studio to take home for your convenience.

It may also be a wise idea to grab a packet of recital tips, which one of our dance moms, Tammy Sullivan, so kindly put together to help ease the stress of the show. These are located next to the TV in the waiting area. There are even some helpful tips on our website under the recital tab. It is a good idea to come to the school with your hair & make up already done. However, please bring all costumes in a garment bag. I have seen wardrobe malfunctions happen in the past, & I'm sure no one wants to be backstage sewing costumes back together before show time. Two pairs of tights are a great idea too. It's always good to have a back-up incase of runs/holes.

Ticket envelope order forms are available beneath the payment box. Place your orders early to take advantage of the discount. Tickets will also be available on dress rehearsal night and at the door the day of the recital. Dancers performing in the show do not need a ticket. Dancers may watch as much of the dress rehearsal as they'd like, but please be sure to head back to your dressing room with an adequate amount of time to be ready for your number. Learn your routine number(s), & pay attention to which one we are on. We will not send a search party looking for you, so you must stay alert & head backstage at least 3 numbers prior to yours. We have several people who will be helping to line up the dancers in their dressing rooms. Moms are allowed to head back to help get your child(ren) ready, however, you do not need to stay back there. On the day of the show, please be courteous to others in the audience. Only get up in between numbers to head to the dressing rooms/rest rooms/etc. Everyone is there to watch someone in the show. We do not want anyone blocking someone else's view of their favorite dancer. In the past, we have allowed dancers to watch some of the show if they have a large amount of time between dances. This year, we have a lot more students, & seating will be limited for our guests. If dancers wish to watch, you may need to find an area in the back, or for the little ones, they may need to find a lap to sit on. Also dancers, please do not enter the auditorium on show night in your costume. Either change, or keep it covered.

After your last performance on dress rehearsal night, you are free to go. We will be doing a "Curtain Call" on show night, but this is just the final bow for all performers. After the Senior Elite, Alumni, & Teachers perform the finale, all classes will be brought on stage to take one last bow. Therefore, on show night, all dancers will need to report to their designated dressing rooms 5 numbers prior to the finale. My backstage helpers will line up the kids in each of their classes. Students will wear the last costume they performed in.

I hope I have helped make your lives a little easier with all the information I have provided. As always, please be sure to check the website & bulletin board frequently. And, if there is something I failed to cover, do not ever hesitate to call/email me. I am happy to answer questions to make sure everyone is informed properly.

Thank you all for a fabulous 8th season!! I am really looking forward to this show, & I hope you are too!

-Miss Jen