

**2022 Recital Information**  
**PLEASE READ**

**Dear Parents and Students,**

Our Annual Year-End Recital is well on its way, and we've been diligently planning on an exciting end to our 2021-2022 season. A dance recital is always an exciting time for a dancer and their families. It is our goal to make your dancer's day as organized and memorable as possible! Our recital depends on everyone's involvement to make it the rewarding experience your child deserves. A recital is a team effort; every dancer, parent, and teacher play a key role in the success of the show. We cannot do it without you! This handbook contains the necessary information you will need to make your recital experience an enjoyable one. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to email us at [expressionsdaanceinfo@yahoo.com](mailto:expressionsdaanceinfo@yahoo.com). We thank you for the gift of your wonderful and talented children and look forward to working with you

**Rehearsal & Recital location**

**Hiram High School**

702 Ballentine Dr  
Hiram, GA 30141

**Recital Rehearsal & Recital Performance**

**Friday, June 3, 2022**

## What to expect at dress rehearsal.

Dress rehearsal is a **CLOSED** rehearsal. Closed means no one is allowed to sit in the auditorium while dress rehearsal is going on. The biggest reason is because it is our job to make sure all of our dancers look their very best. It takes a great deal of explanation, and repetition to make this work, and we need their undivided attention to do this. Your job is to enjoy watching your dancer perform with no stress involved. Please don't worry! You will get to see your dancer at rehearsal.

On your dress rehearsal schedule you will see a "call time" and a "rehearsal time"

Call time means the time you arrive at the theater, and rehearsal time is the time the rehearsal starts on stage. We do our best to run an organized and timely dress rehearsal; your help with the process will guarantee a professional production. If you are late, your child will miss their rehearsal time. Please understand it is highly possible, especially with our youngest dancers, that something unforeseen can happen to cause our schedule to get behind. We appreciate your patience and understanding of this possibility.

At your scheduled call time, a Dance Expressions staff member will meet you and your dancer in the lobby. Once all dancers have arrived, the staff member will take your dancers into the auditorium, while you wait for them in the lobby.

After us teachers have worked on the dance, and the dancers have rehearsed the dance several times, we will come get you to come into the auditorium to watch your dancer finish their rehearsal. You may take pictures and video at this time.

**Backstage:** Family members and friends are not permitted backstage or in the dressing rooms during rehearsals or the recital, including during intermission and before and after the show. There is a lot of backstage activity in a limited space, and dressing rooms are private areas. This is for the safety of all of our dancers. Please remind your family and guests to be respectful of these areas.

**Nude Camisole Leotard:** Students who need to completely change costumes during the recital will need to purchase a nude camisole leotard. These leotards allow students to change modestly backstage because it is not possible for every student to use the bathroom when changing for each dance.

## What does my dancer wear to dress rehearsal?

Dress rehearsal is in complete costume, with all headpieces, and accessories, with hair in a bun. Each dancer is asked to come dressed in their costume, with a cover up over the costume. A button down shirt, or a bathrobe serves as a good cover up.

**NOTE:** This includes during dress rehearsals and performances and when class pictures are taken. Dancers do not wear underwear underneath tights. This includes during dress rehearsals and performances and when class pictures are taken. Tights are a dancer's underwear. Underpants show through tights and light colored costumes and look very unprofessional onstage.

**Hair in a Bun:** On very damp hair thoroughly apply a thick gel to slick the hair and make it workable. After applying gel and with hair still damp, brush back and up and secure with hair elastic into a ponytail at the back crown of the head. Then, depending upon the length of the hair, twist in a circle around the elastic and secure all loose ends with bobby pins until there are no loose or unsecured areas of the bun. You may need more bobby pins for areas above ears or at the nape of the neck. USE A HAIRNET ON BUN TO HOLD IN ALL HAIR. Apply the headpiece or hat as instructed by the teacher. THE SECRET: Work on damp hair that is wet with gel. Hairspray may be necessary.

**Make Up:** Makeup may be applied at your discretion for children under age 11 however, under the bright lights, facial features wash out and makeup helps the audience to see the dancer's faces more clearly. Good stage makeup will look very exaggerated, dramatic and bold.

We suggest:

**EYE SHADOW:** Colors are browns/cream. Easy with browns however, for teens and adults if you know how to apply a brown accent line you may at the crease of the eye.

**BLUSH:** Apply rose or coral blush to the hollow of the cheek only. Have dancers suck in cheeks and Enough blush should be applied to bring color to the shadowed soft part of the cheek leaving the area over the cheekbone light and not colored at all.

**LIPSTICK:** A soft pink lip on the children ages 11 & under, and red lips for ages 12 & up.

No nail polish or jewelry except stud earrings.

## **Dress Rehearsal Schedule**

<b>Class Time</b>	<b>Call Time</b>	<b>Rehearsal Time</b>
Monday 5:00-6:00 Combo IV	1:15	1:30
Monday 6:00-6:45 Pre-Ballet	1:45	2:00
Tuesday 6:15-7:15 Combo II	2:15	2:30
Thursday Acro I & II	2:45	3:00
Company Rehearsal	3:45	4:00-5:30

Please keep in mind that our dress rehearsal schedule is NOT the show order. Our schedule is broken into time slots to make the day as efficient as possible.

## Recital Dates To Know

Date	Activity	Where/When Info
April 1	\$35 Recital Fee due with April Tuition.	Dance Studio
May 23-26	Costume Hand Out Week	Dance studio during your weekly dance class.
TBA	Recital Picture Day	Dance studio.
May 23-27	Recital Tickets go on sale	Dance Studio
May 31	Final tuition payment due	Dance Studio
June 4	Recital Rehearsal & Performance	Hiram High School . See attached rehearsal schedule.

### **Recital Fee**

A \$35 recital fee is due April 1 with your April tuition.

### **Costume Distribution**

Your account balance must be \$0 in order to take your costumes home during costume handout day. (See date in the schedule above.) Your account balance must be \$0 in order to participate in the recital. Please make sure it is paid before the grace period (the 7th of the month) to make recital time easier. No refunds for costumes will be made if a parent or guardian withdraws a child from the school after costumes have been ordered and prior to the recital.

### **Costume Care**

Costume Care Each costume piece will be labeled with your child's name with accessories in a clear plastic bag (labeled with your child's name). Please do not wash costumes in your washing machine and please do not use a

traditional iron on costumes. Many costumes come with headpieces or hats. Headpieces, clips, or hats should be worn on the right side just above the ear. NOTE: To ensure that there are no costume problems, students should not wear their costumes, accessories, or tights prior to the photo session, dress rehearsal, or performance.

### **Final Tuition Payment**

Although we dance for 10 months, your dance payments are split into 11 equal payments, therefore the final tuition payment is due by May 31, 2021. If this final payment is not paid by recital rehearsal, your child will not be able to participate in the recital.

### **Ticket Sales**

Pre-sale tickets will be available at the studio beginning May 23-27. After that time tickets will be sold at the door on the day of the show. It is recommended to purchase pre-sale tickets to ensure you get a ticket. We have come close to selling out in the past, and cannot allow anyone to stand in the aisles because this is a fire hazard.

Ticket prices are \$14 for adults, and \$5 for children ages 3-11. **Tickets are payable by cash only.**

### **Optional Recital Items**

It is customary to present your dancer with flowers at the end of their performance. We will have a limited amount of gifts available at the ticket table including 3 rose bouquets, candy bouquets, teddy bears, etc ranging in price from \$5-\$15 in case you want to not worry about getting this for your dancer or in case you accidentally forget.

